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VIA RESS

Ms. Christine E Long
Ontario Energy Board
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Attention: Registrar

Dear Ms. Long:

**Re: EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership (ENGLP)
2020 Gas Supply Review
Board File No.: EB-2020-0106**

We are counsel to Anwaatin Inc. (**Anwaatin**). Please find enclosed Anwaatin's Notice of Participation requesting participant status and cost eligibility in the above-noted proceeding, filed pursuant to the notice dated July 6, 2020.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jonathan McGillivray". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Jonathan McGillivray

- c. Kenneth Poon, EPCOR Ontario Utilities Inc.
Vince Cooney, EPCOR Utilities Inc.
Larry Sault, Anwaatin Inc.
Don Richardson

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*,
S.O. 1998, c. 15, Sched. B, as amended (the **Act**);

AND IN THE MATTER OF the consultation to review the
annual updates to the five-year natural gas supply plans of
EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership (**ENGLP**).

EB-2020-0106

NOTICE OF PARTICIPATION

ANWAATIN INC.

July 13, 2020

A. Application for Intervenor Status

1. Anwaatin Inc. (**Anwaatin**) hereby requests status to participate in the consultations by the Ontario Energy Board (the **OEB** or the **Board**) on the five-year natural gas supply plan of ENGLP (the **Plan**). This notice of participation is filed pursuant to Rule 22 of the Board's *Rules of Practice and Procedure* and the Board's letter dated July 6, 2020.

B. Anwaatin and its Interest in the Proceeding

2. Anwaatin is an Indigenous business corporation that works with Indigenous communities in linked energy markets that include Ontario, Quebec, California and Manitoba. Anwaatin's mission is to ensure that Indigenous communities are afforded reliable and affordable energy and have a central role in energy-related climate change action. Its business focusses on (i) access to efficient electricity and natural gas energy solutions for indigenous communities; (ii) ensuring Indigenous communities have reliable energy transmission and distribution in order to meet basic needs and facilitate economic development; (iii) addressing poor electricity reliability and the disparate and adverse impacts that it has on Indigenous communities and Aboriginal rights; and (iv) strengthening distributed energy resources in Indigenous communities to facilitate resilience and efficient electrification solutions to address climate change.
3. Anwaatin's Indigenous membership for this proceeding presently includes Aroland First Nation (**Aroland**), Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek Nation (**AZA**), and Ginoogaming First Nation (**Ginoogaming**) (collectively, the **Anwaatin First Nations**). Additional Indigenous communities may be confirmed as members of Anwaatin for this proceeding. The Anwaatin First Nations each have traditional territory, and associated rights and interests protected by the *Constitution Act, 1982*, that may be impacted by the outcomes of this consultation.
4. Anwaatin is interested in matters including the cost-effectiveness, reliability and security of supply, risk management, and execution of the Plan. Anwaatin's participation would bring to bear a strong Indigenous perspective and include experience and input on issues including the potential impacts on Indigenous rights and aboriginal title including economic rights, which may be adversely affected by the Plan.

5. Anwaatin has been active in representing various Indigenous interests before the Board in a number of electricity and natural gas proceedings, including the Board's consultation on Enbridge Gas Inc's five-year natural gas supply plan (EB-2019-0137), Enbridge's Chatham-Kent (EB-2018-0188) and Georgian Sands (EB-2018-0226) leave to construct proceedings, the Southern Bruce franchise proceeding (EB-2016-0137 / EB-2016-0138 / EB-2016-0139), ENGLP's Southern Bruce leave to construct (EB-2018-0263) and rates (EB-2018-0264) proceedings, Hydro One's applications for approval to increase electricity transmission rates (EB-2016-0160 and EB-2019-0082), Hydro One's application to increase 2018-2022 electricity distribution rates (EB-2017-0049), Hydro One's application for approval of a Revenue Cap Index adjustment for its 2019 revenue requirement (EB-2018-0130), and the East-West Tie Line / Lake Superior Link combined proceeding (EB-2017-0182 / EB-2017-0194 / EB-2017-0364).
6. Anwaatin hopes to provide the Board with the unique perspective of the disproportionate number of Indigenous communities currently living in energy poverty in Ontario. Anwaatin may, in accordance with the Board's *Framework for the Assessment of Distributor Gas Supply Plans*, specifically address the cost-effectiveness and economic efficiency of the Plan, the extent to which the Plan ensures reliability and security of supply, and the extent to which the Plan supports, and is aligned with, public policy.

C. Nature and Scope of Anwaatin's Intended Participation

7. Anwaatin intends to be an active participant in this proceeding and will act responsibly to coordinate with other participants where common issues may arise and may be addressed. Anwaatin intends to participate actively to submit written questions to ENGLP in accordance with the Board's process, submit written comments on the Plan, comment on any draft Staff Report on the Plan, and participate in any proceeding required to address specific issues highlighted by the final Staff Report on the Plan. Anwaatin may also make expert submissions subject to the development of the record in this proceeding.

D. Costs

8. Anwaatin hereby requests cost eligibility in this proceeding. Anwaatin is, in accordance with s. 3.03(b) of the Board's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*, eligible to seek an award of costs as Anwaatin is a party that primarily represents an interest or policy perspective that is relevant to the Board's mandate and to the consultation.

9. Anwaatin represents the interests of a unique and otherwise unrepresented set of Indigenous energy consumers in Ontario and is committed to ensuring that they are served through access to an affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern natural gas service. Anwaatin requests an award of costs in this proceeding on the basis that its comments and participation serve a direct interest and policy perspective that is relevant to the Board's mandate and pressing for Ontario's energy consumers. The Board has granted Anwaatin cost eligibility in several Board proceedings, including each of those referred to above in paragraph 5.
10. Anwaatin therefore submits that it is appropriate for the Board to award Anwaatin costs in the context of this proceeding, and hereby requests cost eligibility.

E. Anwaatin's Representatives

11. Anwaatin hereby requests that further communications with respect to this proceeding be sent to the following:

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AND TO ITS COUNSEL

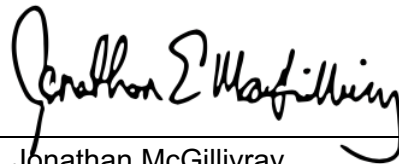
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ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY
SUBMITTED THIS 13th day of July, 2020.



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