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Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street
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Attention: Board Secretary

Re: Ontario Energy Board File No. EB-2019-0166

**IN THE MATTER OF THE Ontario Energy Board Act, S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule B,
and in particular Section 21(2) thereof;**

**AND IN THE MATTER OF the Assessment Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.A.31, and in particular
Section 25(3) thereof;**

**AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Lagasco Inc. for an Order determining
whether or not the natural gas pipelines owned and operated by Lagasco Inc. in
Haldimand County are gas transmission pipelines;**

Further to Lagasco's notice of application seeking an oral hearing of this matter, Lagasco reiterates its request for an oral hearing, given the public importance of the matters and the desirability of the panel benefiting from the evidence of key witnesses in person, if the panels determines that is necessary or appropriate.

It is in the interests of justice that an oral hearing be held in this case, so that the panel will be in the best position to render a fully informed decision, including by asking any necessary questions of counsel. In all of the circumstances Lagasco accepts that such an oral hearing may have to proceed by Zoom, WebEx or another videoconference facility.

We would be pleased to answer any questions or provide any further information that may arise in respect of this request.

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Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "W. Bortolin", with a stylized flourish at the end.

William Bortolin

