#### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

**IN THE MATTER OF** The Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule B, and in particular, s.90 (1) and s.97 thereof;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an Application by Enbridge Gas Inc. for an Order granting leave to construct natural gas pipelines and ancillary facilities in County of Lambton, the Township of Dawn-Euphemia, Middlesex County, the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex, the Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc and the Municipality of Middlesex Centre.

#### SUBMISSIONS OF

## THE BUILDING OWNERS AND MANAGERS ASSOCIATION ("BOMA")

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#### SUBMISSIONS OF BOMA

#### **Overview**

 BOMA supports Enbridge Gas's leave to construct application as the physical integrity of the Existing Lines is the driver of the Project. BOMA expects that future projects will benefit from the integration of integrated resource planning (IRP) into system planning processes.

## Background

- 2. On September 11, 2020, Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) applied to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on September 11, 2020 under sections 90 and 97 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), for an order granting leave to construct approximately 90.5 kilometres of natural gas pipeline and associated facilities in the County of Lambton, the Township of Dawn-Euphemia, the County of Middlesex, the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex, the Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc and the Municipality of Middlesex Centre.
- On October 16, 2020, BOMA applied for intervenor status and cost award eligibility in this proceeding.
- 4. On October 29, 2020, the OEB issued Procedural Order No. 1 in this proceeding. As part of that order, the OEB found that BOMA's description of its interest in this proceeding was overly broad and therefore did not allow the OEB to make a determination on whether BOMA had a substantial interest in this proceeding. The OEB permitted BOMA to file additional information in order to articulate its specific interest in this proceeding by November 2, 2020. BOMA filed additional information on November 2, 2020. The

OEB granted BOMA's application for intervenor status and cost award eligibility on November 4, 2020.

- 5. BOMA served and filed written interrogatories on November 11, 2020 and received written responses from Enbridge Gas on November 23, 2020 with a minor correction on November 24, 2020.
- 6. BOMA has reviewed Enbridge Gas's Argument-In-Chief dated November 30, 2020 as well as the submissions of other intervenors filed December 13, 2020.
- 7. Upon reviewing Enbridge Gas's application, interrogatories, responses to interrogatories, and final submissions, BOMA supports Enbridge Gas's leave to construct application as the physical integrity of the Existing Lines is the driver of the Project.
- 8. BOMA expects that future projects will benefit from the integration of integrated resource planning (IRP) into system planning processes.

# ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF BOMA ON DECEMBER 14, 2020

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