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Ms. Christine E. Long
Registrar and Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
27-2300 Yonge Street
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Long:

Re: EB-2021-0269- Application for an Order amending Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity – EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership - Brockton

Please find below comments in response to the November 15, 2021 letter of comment filed by James Cooke.

EPCOR thanks Mr. Cooke for his letter and interest in natural gas expansion in the area.

When preparing and submitting the Brockton Expansion Project, along with the related CPCN application, EPCOR considered multiple practical, financial and safety considerations. A part of this was a step to consult with Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge) to identify the location of existing natural gas infrastructure to determine who could be best suited to serve customers. The purpose of this was to avoid duplication of infrastructure along with addressing safety and reliability concerns. It is EPCOR's understanding that Enbridge currently has a steel line travelling from Durham to Walkerton, which may have sufficient capacity to better service these areas. As a result, EPCOR's application did not cover the areas referenced in the letter.

While not explicitly part of this CPCN request, EPCOR is willing to continue the dialogue with Enbridge to determine who would be best suited to serve this area to avoid a gap in the service coverage.

Sincerely,

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

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