

December 10, 2021

**Ontario Energy Board**  
2300 Yonge Street, 27<sup>th</sup> floor  
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

***Attention: Christine Long, Registrar and OEB Secretary***

Dear Ms. Long:

**Re: Enbridge Gas Inc. ("Enbridge Gas")  
Multi-Year Demand Side Management Plan (2022-2027)  
EB-2021-0002**

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We are writing on behalf of Enbridge Gas. Enbridge Gas has received and reviewed the evidence filed by interveners and OEB Staff and is in the process of preparing interrogatories on same. Enbridge Gas however notes that it may require an opportunity to file Reply evidence in response to some of the intervener/OEB Staff evidence in respect of, for example, transitional issues and methodologies that would likely be impacted if the OEB were to accept some of the matters proposed in the OEB Staff/intervenor evidence. Enbridge Gas will be in a position to determine the need for Reply evidence once it has received responses to its interrogatories on the OEB Staff and intervenor evidence which are due January 19, 2022.

Enbridge Gas understands from its discussions with OEB Staff that the OEB is contemplating a commencement date for the oral hearing portion of this proceeding in late March or the first week of April. Enbridge Gas understands that the schedule being considered by the OEB for the oral hearing and argument thereafter will provide sufficient time for the OEB to render a decision by August 31 which, parties will recall, is the date by which Enbridge Gas requires a final decision so that it can commence taking the steps necessary to put into place the suite of program offerings approved by the OEB effective January 1, 2023.

Enbridge Gas notes that there is sufficient time between the filing of responses to interrogatories by OEB Staff and intervenors and the oral hearing for Enbridge Gas to file Reply evidence, if any, and to allow intervenors to ask interrogatories on the Reply evidence without delaying the onset of the oral hearing. Enbridge Gas therefore respectfully requests that the OEB consider making provision in its next Procedural Order for a date for the filing of Reply evidence by Enbridge Gas in late January, and dates by which any interrogatories limited strictly to the Reply evidence are to be delivered and answered in early/mid February.

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Yours truly,

**AIRD & BERLIS LLP**

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Dennis O'Leary

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