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Dear Ms. Zimmer:

Re: Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas)

Application for Leave to Construct the Hidden Valley Community Expansion Project

Ontario Energy Board File No. EB-2022-0249

This letter is to notify Enbridge Gas that the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) is in receipt of Enbridge Gas's letter dated January 31, 2023 and is resuming its review of the above-referenced application.

On December 20, 2022, Enbridge Gas filed an application for leave to construct the Hidden Valley Community Expansion Project. On January 19, 2023, Enbridge Gas informed OEB staff that it was considering changes to its application which could impact the map that is to be included as part of OEB's Notice of Hearing. Accordingly, Enbridge Gas requested that the OEB defer the issuance of the Notice of Hearing, which was planned for January 20, 2023.

On January 20, 2023, the OEB issued a letter advising Enbridge Gas that it was placing the application in abeyance in response to its request and that processing of the application would not resume until the proposed updates were filed or Enbridge Gas determined that no changes are required to the application and map and notified the OEB.

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On January 31, 2023, Enbridge Gas filed a letter notifying the OEB that it had determined no changes are required to the map and requesting that the OEB resume its review of the application.

The OEB has determined that Enbridge Gas's application is no longer in abeyance, effective February 3, 2023. The abeyance period includes the time taken for Enbridge's response to the OEB regarding potential updates, as well as the time taken for the OEB to establish next procedural steps and resume the next step on the schedule. As a result, and in accordance with the OEB's *Protocol for Adjusting Adjudicative Timelines*, the total delay that will extend the OEB's target decision metric date will be 14 days. The next step in the process will be issuing a Notice of Hearing and Letter of Direction.

Any questions relating to this letter should be directed to the Case Manager, Petar Prazic, at Petar.Prazic@oeb.ca or at 416-440-7682. The Board's toll-free number is 1-888-632-6273.

Yours truly,

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