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Dear Mr. Ginis:

Re: Enbridge Gas Inc.

Application for Bobcaygeon Community Expansion Project Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2022-0111

The OEB will continue to hold this application in abeyance until June 30, 2023 as requested by Enbridge Gas. The applicant is expected to provide the OEB with an update at that time.

Background:

On May 3, 2022, Enbridge Gas filed an application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) pursuant to section 90(1) and 97 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act 1998*, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B) for an order granting leave to construct approximately 41 kilometres of natural gas pipeline and ancillary facilities in the City of Kawartha Lakes (including Bobcaygeon) and the Township of Cavan-Monaghan (Project). Enbridge also applied for approval of the forms of easement agreements related to the construction of the Project.

The OEB has received three requests from Enbridge Gas for abeyance of this application.

On July 5, 2022, Enbridge Gas filed a letter requesting an adjournment of the proceeding to no later than October 31, 2022. Enbridge Gas stated that given the existing economic and inflationary environment, it believes that updates to its market analysis and surveys for the Project must be completed to provide an appropriate basis for the customer attachment forecasts filed in support of the application.

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The OEB issued a letter on July 6, 2022, stating that it will place the application in abeyance until Enbridge Gas files its updated evidence with respect to the customer attachment forecast for the Project.

In a letter filed on October 31, 2022, Enbridge Gas advised the OEB that updated market analysis was completed in the Project area and that it is working to analyze and interpret the results of that analysis and to make updates to its application, as appropriate. To allow the completion of this work, Enbridge Gas requested that the OEB continue to hold the application in abeyance until February 28, 2023.

On February 28, 2023, Enbridge Gas filed a letter stating that it is continuing to assess the results of the updated market analysis and its implications to the application and requested that the OEB continue to hold the application in abeyance until no later than June 30, 2023, by which time it expects to have completed its assessment and to file any necessary evidence updates.

While the OEB will continue to hold the application in abeyance until June 30, 2023, no procedural orders have been issued in this proceeding. The OEB will determine the necessary procedural steps after considering any update filed, intervention request letters to date and the time that has elapsed since the application was filed on May 3, 2022.

Please direct any questions relating to this application to the Case Manager, Judith Fernandes, Senior Advisor, at 416-440-7638 or judith.fernandes@oeb.ca.

Yours truly,

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