

BY EMAIL

March 13, 2023

Ms. Nancy Marconi Registrar Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Marconi:

Re: EB-2022-0200 Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) 2024 Rebasing Application Declarations and Undertakings Filed on Behalf of London Economics International, LLC

On March 8, 2023, Enbridge Gas filed its responses to interrogatory requests from Ontario Energy Board staff (OEB staff) and other registered parties with respect to the application filed in the abovementioned proceeding. In some of the responses, Enbridge Gas has requested confidentiality with respect to certain information.

One of the interrogatory responses for which Enbridge Gas is requesting confidentiality is Exhibit I.5.3-Staff-218 b). The data for which Enbridge Gas is requesting confidentiality is equivalent historical data from 2012 to 2020, and for 2022, equivalent to the 2021 data used by Enbridge Gas's expert, Concentric Energy Advisors, Inc. (Concentric) in Figure 18 on page 65 of 164 of Concentric's report (Exhibit 5/Tab 3/Schedule 1/Attachment 1). This is financial data for Enbridge Gas, Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. and Union Gas Limited (pre-amalgamation), and Canadian and U.S. utilities included in Concentric's proxy group. The information is being requested by London Economics International LLC (LEI), OEB staff's retained expert on cost of capital. LEI is seeking this information for its analysis and report to be filed later in this proceeding.

OEB staff and LEI recognize that a ruling on Enbridge Gas's requests for confidentiality will be made subsequently. However, due to the timelines for LEI to prepare and file its report per the schedule established in Procedural Order No. 1, OEB staff is filing signed Declarations and Undertakings, in accordance with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Confidential Filings*. The filing of the Declarations and Undertakings for LEI is without

prejudice to any positions that OEB staff may make in submissions regarding Enbridge Gas's requests for confidential treatment of any information, including the data in the response to Exhibit I.5.3-Staff-218 b).

OEB staff requests that Enbridge Gas provide to Messrs. Amit Pinjani and Shaswat Nayak of LEI the unredacted response to Exhibit I. 5.3-Staff-218 b) through an acceptable secure means, and as quickly as is practical.

Any questions relating to this letter should be directed to Keith Ritchie at <u>keith.ritchie@oeb.ca</u> or at 416-440-8124. The Board's toll-free number is 1-888-632-6273.

Yours truly,

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cc: Enbridge Gas Inc. All Registered Parties to EB-2023-0200