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Dear Ms. Walli:

RE: Enbridge Gas Distribution's Savings by Design DSM program for 2016 to 2020.

I am writing to express my support for Enbridge's Savings by Design program.

As a builder who has participated in the program on two residential high rise projects here in Ottawa, we at Minto Communities have found it to be extremely helpful. It provided us with the opportunity to explore a number of viable design and technology alternatives as part of a discussion around how to improve the energy and environmental performance of our projects. The access to well qualified subject matter experts representing very diverse topic areas allowed us to confirm and enhance our own energy reduction targets and strategies. The real-time energy modelling clearly demonstrated the potential energy improvements while the access to information regarding broader sustainability issues have given has a solid foundation of ideas to consider for future projects.

We believe that the Enbridge Savings by Design program is contributing to the building industry's transformation to higher levels of energy and environmental performance and is assisting the building community in continuous improvement to meet pending building code changes. We would be pleased to have the opportunity to access the program on future projects.

We strongly support the continuation of this innovative approach to multi-disciplinary integrated design.

Yours very truly,

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