

May 18, 2023

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

Dear Ms. Marconi:

Re: Enbridge Gas Inc.

Renewal of Franchise Agreement with the Municipality of East Ferris Ontario Energy Board File No. EB-2023-0103

Further to the question submitted by Ontario Energy Board Staff related to the above-noted application, Enbridge Gas provides the following response.

Staff Question-1

Reference: EB-2023-0103, Application and Evidence, page 1

Preamble:

Enbridge Gas holds a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (certificate) for the Municipality of East Ferris (Municipality) dated September 14, 1984. Enbridge Gas states that the boundaries of the Municipality have not changed since the certificate was issued in 1984 but that in 2011, the Municipality's council passed a by-law to change its name from the Township of East Ferris to the Municipality of East Ferris.

Section 3.6 of the *Natural Gas Facilities Handbook* provides as follows:

If the name of the municipality changes after the OEB has issued a certificate, then the certificate holder should notify the OEB within 90 days of the date that the new name takes effect to have the certificate amended to reflect the new name of the municipality.

Question:

a) Please explain why an order for a new certificate to reflect the Municipality's name change was not included in the application.

Response:

a) This was an inadvertent omission from the application that should have included a request for an Order pursuant to Section 8 of the *Municipal Franchises Act* approving a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Municipality of East Ferris that reflected the municipality's current name. Enbridge Gas submits that request here. Should you have any questions on this submission, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

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