

September 5, 2008

Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Flr. Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Attention: Ms. Kirsten Walli

Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: Guidelines for the Pre-Approval of Long-Term Gas

Supply and/or Upstream Transportation Contracts Ontario Energy Board File No. EB-2008-0280

Request to Participate in LTC Guidelines Process

The Ontario Energy Board in its August 22, 2008 letter initiated a process to review the issues associated with the development of guidelines for the pre-approval of long-term natural gas supply and/or upstream transportation contracts ("LTC Guidelines") as stated by the Board in its March 30, 2005 report entitled *Natural Gas Regulation in Ontario: A Renewed Policy Framework Report on the Ontario Energy Board Natural Gas Forum.* Gazprom Marketing and Trading USA, Inc. ("GMTUSA") seeks to participate in the LTC Guidelines process.

GMTUSA, based in Houston, Texas, will have responsibility for marketing and trading vaporized LNG and natural gas in North America. GMTUSA is also involved in long term LNG and natural gas business development throughout North America as well. GMTUSA has a vested interest in a joint proposal by Gaz Metro Limited Partnership, Gaz de France and Enbridge, Inc. to construct a liquefied natural gas terminal near the town of Levis, Quebec. The proposed terminal would be capable of delivering up to 500 million cubic feet per day of vaporized natural gas for delivery into the Québec and Ontario pipeline network.

GMTUSA has a direct interest in the development of guidelines governing the preapproval of long-term natural gas supply and/or upstream transportation contracts. September 5, 2008 Page 2 Ms. Walli

GMTUSA does not intend to seek an award of costs for its participation in the LTC Guidelines process.

The names, mailing and electronic addresses, telephone and facsimile numbers of GMTUSA's representatives for this process are:

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