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TO: All Parties in EB-2022-0157

**RE: Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas)
Application for Leave to Construct Panhandle Regional Expansion Project
Submissions on Oral Hearing
Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2022-0157**

On July 28, 2023, the OEB issued Procedural Order No. 6, which among other matters, established a timeline for written interrogatories, a virtual transcribed technical conference, followed by written submissions.

The OEB is now proposing an oral hearing, following the written discovery process, in place of the currently planned technical conference. It is proposed that the oral hearing would focus on the issues of project need, alternatives and cost and economics, including the applicability of EBO 134 and EBO 188 and would provide an opportunity for the hearing panel and the parties to directly examine Enbridge Gas on these issues. Issues relating to environmental impacts, landowner matters, and Indigenous consultation are proposed to be addressed through a written process only.

At this time, the OEB is providing parties and OEB staff with an opportunity to file written submissions on issues to be addressed in an oral hearing and the format any oral hearing might take:

- OEB staff and intervenors wishing to file a submission on the issues proposed to be addressed in an oral hearing and the format in which an oral hearing might take place shall file a written submission by **August 30, 2023**

- Enbridge Gas shall file a written reply submission, if any, by **September 6, 2023**.

Yours truly,

Nancy Marconi
Registrar