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

Dear Registrar:

Re: EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership ("ENGLP") EB-2023-0269: Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism ("QRAM") Application Aylmer Service Territory - Rates effective October 1, 2023

Please find enclosed ENGLP's response to a question received from OEB Staff on September 14, 2023.

Sincerely,

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Encl.

Preamble:

On September 13, 2023, ENGLP provided the following response to an OEB staff question:

ENGLP Response: The RNG pricing formula in this application has been slightly modified in comparison to the previous QRAM. The RNG commodity price in the current filing also includes the Enbridge delivery charge, which was not contemplated in its previous filing. The Enbridge delivery charge is approximately 1.2% of the Enbridge gas supply commodity rate. The inclusion of the Enbridge delivery charge in the PGCVA is consistent with the treatment of Local Production B.

Questions:

1) Please confirm that the RNG contract has not changed (as EPCOR advised that it was finalized in the July 2023 QRAM). Please confirm that this is not a new charge that is being paid to the RNG producer and instead, it was simply an oversight to not include this charge in the pricing formula in the previous QRAM filing. If this is not correct, please advise whether the contract has changed and explain why.

ENGLP Response: Confirmed, this was an oversight.

2) Please confirm that there are no other fees paid by EPCOR to the RNG producer or paid by the RNG producer to EPCOR. If there are other fees or charges, please explain those charges (or revenues) and discuss how those costs are recovered from (or refunded to) ratepayers.

ENGLP Response: Confirmed

3) Please confirm that ratepayers are paying the same rate to the RNG producer as if EPCOR was purchasing the natural gas from Enbridge Gas after accounting for heating values.

ENGLP Response: Confirmed