

Elson Advocacy

October 16, 2023

Ms. Nancy Marconi
Registrar
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor
Toronto, Ontario
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Dear Ms. Marconi:

**Re: EPCOR Brockton Gas Expansion Project
EB-2022-0246**

I am writing on behalf of Environmental Defence pursuant to Procedural Order #2 to provide a time estimate and a summary of topics to be addressed in the technical conference in the above matter.

We anticipate asking follow-up questions on the following interrogatory responses: 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 15, 18, 20, 21, 23, 25-30, 35 and 37. This includes topics such as:

- The accuracy of representations made by the utility to the municipality underpinning the municipal consent letter
- An assessment of potentially downsizing the pipe size to reduce cost
- The detailed survey responses underpinning the customer attachment forecast
- The appropriateness of relying on dated survey responses
- The connections by fuel type as extrapolated from the survey responses
- Estimate of when the pipe will be paid off
- Business risk associated with forecast revenue from commercial and industrial customers
- Justification for excluding normalized reinforcement costs required by EBO 188
- Whether the extra length charge is sufficient
- Analysis of the impact of the cost-effectiveness of alternatives to gas on customer attachment numbers

- Alternative approaches to address the additional soil handling costs

We anticipate questions on those topic areas requiring approximately three hours.

Please let us know if anything further is required.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'K. Elson', with a stylized, cursive script.

Kent Elson

cc: Parties to the above proceeding