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Dear Ms. Marconi:

**Re: Enbridge Gas Inc.  
EB-2022-0094 – System Access  
Extension Request for Producer Connections Process Proposal**

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We represent Enbridge Gas.

We write in response to the OEB's Decision and Procedural Order No.8, to request an extension of the procedural dates set out in that decision.

The OEB directed Enbridge Gas to prepare and provide an initial draft of a connection procedure for gas producers by November 16, 2023. This connection procedure is expected to take account of similar provisions in the Distribution System Code (DSC), and address producer connection process and timelines and contestability of certain new connection facilities. Enbridge Gas is also expected to include a proposal about how it will communicate available market capacity and shut-in processes.

As set out in the OEB's Decision and Procedural Order, Enbridge Gas's proposal will be the subject of a Settlement Conference. The intent of the Settlement Conference is to reach resolution on the Company's connection process for producers, which will presumably become part of the Company's contracts and procedures. With this in mind, Enbridge Gas aims to prepare the required proposed procedures in a form that is sufficiently detailed that they can be endorsed and adopted in short order.

Enbridge Gas started work on preparing the required proposal very quickly after the OEB's October 26<sup>th</sup> Decision and Procedural Order. It has become apparent, though, that the Company will not be able to complete the detailed work required within the allotted three weeks. This task involves subject matter experts in a variety of functional areas in the organization, and work is required to understand and evaluate the approach taken by electricity distributors, not only as set out in the DSC but also as set out in individual LDC Conditions of Service. Adding to the timing challenge is the fact that some of the key individuals working on this new task are also involved in the Panhandle Regional Expansion Project leave to construct hearing (EB-2022-0157) which is scheduled for the week of November 13<sup>th</sup>.

Enbridge Gas requests that the OEB grant an extension for the date to provide its initial draft of the connection procedure and related required items to interested parties. Enbridge Gas is aiming to have this completed during the week of December 4, 2023. If the process is taking longer, Enbridge Gas will advise. Taking this into account, the Company proposes that the Settlement Conference could take place early in the new year, after the OEB's "holiday time-out".

Enbridge Gas is not aware that there is any immediate urgency to updated connection procedures for producers such that adding extra weeks to the process would harm any party.

Please let us know if you have questions about this letter.

Yours truly,

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c: All parties registered in EB-2022-0094