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Nancy Marconi
Registrar, Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street, P.O. Box 2319
Toronto ON, M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Marconi,

**RE: EB-2024-0067 – Enbridge Gas 2024 Annual Update to 5 Year Gas Supply Plan
Submission of Energy Probe**

In its letter of April 15, 2024, the OEB initiated a a consultation to review the Annual Update of the gas supply plan of Enbridge Gas. The OEB invited participation in this consultation process by all interested and affected parties. The OEB indicated that interested parties should file participation and cost eligibility requests by April 30, 2024. Energy Probe inadvertently missed the deadline and requested to be allowed to participate in the consultation. By its letter of June 11, 2024, the OEB kindly allowed Energy Probe to participate in the consultation including the July 2nd Stakeholder Conference. In its letter of April 22, the OEB provided an opportunity for participants to submit written comments by July 17. The following are the written comments of Energy Probe.

Energy Probe Comments

Enbridge Gas servers more than 3.7 million customers in Ontario. Energy Probe represents the vast majority of the 3.7 million gas customers who consider natural gas to be an essential source of energy for their daily needs and who do not want to be forced to switch to another energy source by politicians.

Enbridge Gas has a responsibility to supply natural gas to the 3.7 million customers who rely on it. It is a heavy responsibility and Energy Probe believes that Enbridge Gas has done an outstanding job in meeting it.

While Enbridge Gas witnesses may have provided more complete answers to some of the questions at the Stakeholder Conference, this does take away from the outstanding job that gas supply staff of Enbridge Gas have done in ensuring that the 3.7 million gas customers who rely on them have the natural gas they need, particularly on the coldest days in winter.

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As Enbridge Gas witnesses explained during the stakeholder conference, the opposition to new pipeline construction by politicians has made it more difficult to build new gas pipelines and for Enbridge to meet demand for natural gas in Ontario by 3.7 million gas customers. Energy Probe believes that Enbridge's contracting decisions have been appropriate in this challenging environment.

Respectfully filed on behalf of Energy Probe.

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