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Attn: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary

**Re: EB-2008-0219
Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. Rates for 2009**

TransAlta Cogeneration L.P. and TransAlta Energy Corp. (TransAlta) respectfully request Intervenor Status in the above proceeding. TransAlta is an electricity generation company with generating assets in Canada, the US and Australia. In Canada, TransAlta is one of the largest non-regulated power generation and wholesale marketing companies. TransAlta's focus is to efficiently operate its assets in order to provide wholesale customers with a reliable, low-cost source of power.

In Ontario, TransAlta owns a 575 MW gas-fired electricity plant in Sarnia, and is the majority owner of TransAlta Cogeneration L.P. which owns three gas-fired cogeneration plants in Ontario: 68MW in Windsor, 108 MW in Mississauga, and 68 MW in Ottawa. TransAlta is one of Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.'s largest customers.

TransAlta is interested in the Phase 2 matters of Enbridge's application, in particular Enbridge's request for a change in the requirements for the contracting of upstream transportation that would require direct purchase bundled service customers to contract for firm upstream transportation. TransAlta is opposed to this request as it believes that Enbridge's customers can accomplish the desired objectives through alternate firm arrangements without requiring that customers hold firm upstream transportation. Such arrangements should be allowed in satisfaction of Enbridge's request for security of supply; however, TransAlta notes that as the arrangements themselves are confidential, they would not be filed as part of the record.

TransAlta has no objection to the two-phased approach proposed by Enbridge.

All communications relating to the proceeding should be directed to:

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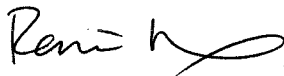
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Yours truly,



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