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Dear Mr. Tomek:

**Re: Enbridge Gas Inc.
Boblo Island Community Expansion Project – Leave to Construct
Exemption Application
Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2024-0249
Abeyance of the Proceeding**

Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) applied to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on August 9, 2024, under section 95(2) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act) for an order exempting Enbridge Gas from the requirement to obtain leave to construct natural gas pipelines and facilities in the community of Boblo Island in the Town of Amherstburg (Project).

In this proceeding, the issue to be determined is whether the Crown's duty to consult has been adequately discharged.

On December 8, 2022, the Ministry of Energy¹ (Ministry) issued a delegation letter to Enbridge Gas identifying the following six Indigenous communities that Enbridge Gas should consult in relation to the Project and delegated the procedural aspects of the Crown's duty to consult to Enbridge Gas:

- Aamjiwnaang First Nation

¹ Ministry of Energy is now the Ministry of Energy and Mines

- Bkejwanong (Walpole Island) First Nation
- Caldwell First Nation
- Chippewas of Kettle and Stony Point First Nation
- Chippewas of the Thames First Nation
- Oneida Nation of the Thames

As of this date, Enbridge Gas has not yet filed with the OEB a letter of opinion from the Ministry regarding the adequacy of the Indigenous consultation undertaken by Enbridge Gas, as contemplated in the OEB's [*Environmental Guidelines for the Location, Construction and Operation of Hydrocarbon Pipelines and Facilities in Ontario*](#).

In accordance with the OEB's [*Protocol for Adjusting Adjudicative Timelines*](#), the OEB will place Enbridge Gas's application in abeyance as of July 11, 2025. The OEB will take this application out of abeyance following receipt of the Ministry's letter of opinion. If there is a significant delay, the OEB will further consider how to proceed with the adjudication of the application.

Please direct any questions relating to this application to the Case Manager, Zora Crnojacki, at 416-440-8104 or Zora.Crnojacki@oeb.ca or OEB Counsel Lawren Murray at Lawren.Murray@oeb.ca.

Yours truly,

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