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Ontario Energy Board
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Attention: Ontario Energy Board, Acting Registrar

Dear Acting Registrar Murray,

Re: EB-2025-0155 Enbridge Gas Inc. ("EGI"), 2024 Utility Earnings and Disposition of Deferral & Variance Account

We are writing on behalf of Ginoogaming First Nation ("**GFN**") to request intervenor status and cost-award eligibility in this proceeding.

GFN's Interest in This Proceeding

GFN is an Anishnawbe First Nation located in Northern Ontario, located approximately 40 km east of Geraldton, Ontario, Canada, on the northern shore of Long Lake, immediately south of Long Lake 58 First Nation and the community of Longlac, Ontario.

GFN is within the boundaries of James Bay Treaty No 9 made in 1905 and was officially created through signing an adhesion to this Treaty on August 9, 1906. It is a member of the Nishnawbe Aski Nation, a political territorial organization representing 49 First Nations in northern Ontario and Matawa First Nations Management, a tribal council providing a variety of advisory services/programs to 8 First Nations in James Bay Treaty No. 9 and 1 First Nation in the Robinson-Superior Treaty.

GFN's interest in the proceeding arises from its participation as an intervenor in all three phases of EGI's ongoing rate application, as well as from its active participation in the Indigenous Working Group, whose accounts and report form one of the subjects of this proceeding.

GFN's participation, in this hearing and elsewhere, is focused on ensuring that GFN and its members have access to efficient and reliable natural gas transmission and distribution in order to meet basic needs and facilitate economic development.

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GFN also wishes to ensure that the interests of First Nations are adequately represented in this proceeding. GFN and its members each have traditional territory, and associated rights and interests protected by the Constitution Act, 1982, that may be impacted by the outcomes of this proceeding. GFN also has a long history of involvement in EGI proceedings and continues to work with EGI and representatives of the OEB to remedy the historic underrepresentation of Indigenous interests in OEB proceedings and Ontario's energy sector more broadly.

Furthermore, GFN represents a set of interests and perspectives as a First Nations community in Ontario's north. It is in a position to raise questions and address issues from the perspective of a more remote community that faces distinct climate realities and related energy needs.

GFN's participation would therefore provide a strong Indigenous perspective, including experience and input on issues including the potential impacts on Indigenous rights that may be implicated in this proceeding.

Finally, as an active member of the Indigenous Working Group, GFN is in a position to engage on related matters as they arise in this proceeding, including any issues that arise relating to the group's accounts, minutes, reporting, or activities.

GFN's anticipated primary focus in this proceeding will be on questions and matters relating to the aspects of EGI's application relating to the Indigenous Working Group, although it would engage on other matters as relevant and appropriate.

GFN intends to coordinate with other intervenors where common issues may arise and may be addressed. GFN intends to request information, submit written interrogatories, test evidence, and provide submissions, all in the normal course.

Eligibility for Cost Recovery

GFN requests an award of costs in this matter on the basis that its comments and participation serve a direct interest and policy perspective that is relevant to the Board's mandate and pressing for Ontario's energy consumers. GFN represents the interest of a unique and otherwise unrepresented set of First Nation energy consumers in Ontario and is committed to ensuring that they are served through access to an affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern natural gas service.

The Board has granted GFN cost eligibility in several Board matters and proceedings previously, including most recently as an intervenor in EGI's rate rebasing application, which originally bore the proceeding number EB-2022-0200, in EGI's 5-year gas supply plan proceedings (EB-2025-0065), as well as many other matters and proceedings as a member of Anwaatin Inc.

GFN's Representatives

GFN requests that further communications relating to this proceeding be sent to the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'ND', is positioned below the closing salutation.

Nicholas Daube