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# Annual Filing of Frequent Intervenor

## **Intervenor Name:**

Ginoogaming First Nation

## **Mandate and Objectives:**

Ginoogaming First Nation's (GFN) participation in OEB proceedings has been focused on ensuring that GFN and its members have access to efficient and reliable energy in order to meet basic needs and facilitate economic development.

GFN and its members have traditional territory - and associated rights and interests - protected by the Constitution Act, 1982, that are often impacted by the outcomes of OEB proceedings. GFN routinely seeks to ensure these rights and interests are properly addressed.

GFN has also sought to ensure that the interests of First Nations, in general, are adequately represented. GFN has a long history of involvement in OEB proceedings and continues to work to remedy the historic underrepresentation of Indigenous interests in OEB proceedings and Ontario's energy sector more broadly.

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

## **Membership of the Intervenor and Constituency Represented:**

GFN is an Anishnawbe First Nation located in Northern Ontario. It is located approximately 40 km east of Geraldton, Ontario, 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. The peoples of GFN inhabited the area long before this Treaty came into effect, occupying the lands and waters since time immemorial.

GFN 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 eight First Nations in James

Bay Treaty No. 9 and one First Nation in the Robinson-Superior Treaty.

## **Programs or Activities Carried Out by the Intervenor:**

Please see above.

## **Focus Areas:**

Natural Gas – Rates, OEB Consultations – Natural Gas, OEB Policy Development

## **Governance Structure:**

Legal counsel report to and receive instructions from Chief Sheri Taylor.

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