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**BY EMAIL**

March 12, 2026

Nancy Marconi  
Registrar  
Ontario Energy Board  
2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor  
Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Marconi:

**Re: Enbridge Gas Inc.  
Application for Approval to Renew its Franchise Agreement with, and certificate  
for, the Town of Cobourg  
OEB File Number: EB-2025-0329**

In accordance with Procedural Order No. 1, please find attached Ontario Energy Board (OEB) staff's interrogatories in the above proceeding. The applicant and intervenor have been copied on this filing. Enbridge Gas's responses to interrogatories are due by March 19, 2026.

Any questions relating to this letter should be directed to Natalya Plummer at [natalya.plummer@oeb.ca](mailto:natalya.plummer@oeb.ca) or at 416-440-7654. The OEB's toll-free number is 1-888-632-6273.

Yours truly,

Natalya Plummer  
Advisor, Major Applications

Encl.

**OEB Staff Interrogatories  
Enbridge Gas Inc.  
EB-2025-0329**

Please note, Enbridge Gas Inc. is responsible for ensuring that all documents it files with the OEB, including responses to OEB staff interrogatories and any other supporting documentation, do not include personal information (as that phrase is defined in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*), unless filed in accordance with rule 9A of the OEB's *Rules of Practice and Procedure*.

**OEB STAFF - 1**

**Reference:** Application, page 1, para 2 and 3

**Preamble:**

The Town of Cobourg is a lower-tier municipality located within the County of Northumberland. Enbridge Gas states that it has been providing access to natural gas distribution services within the lower-tier municipalities in the Town of Cobourg since 1955.

**Question(s):**

- a) Please clarify whether the reference in the application to lower-tier municipalities within the Town of Cobourg is correct.

**OEB STAFF - 2**

**Reference:** Application, page 2, para 5 and 6

**Preamble:**

Enbridge Gas states that the Town of Cobourg annexed parts of the Township of Hamilton in 1965, 1983 and 1997 and that following the annexations it held certificate rights for all the lands that make up the Town of Cobourg through certificate F.B.C. 49 and certificate F.B.C. 210. Enbridge Gas also states that F.B.C 210 was replaced by EB-2024-0290 and that its request to replace F.B.C. 49 will result in a change to its overall existing certificate rights in the area as EB-2024-0290 does not include the former areas of the Township of Hamilton that are now part of the Town of Cobourg.

**Question(s):**

- a) Please confirm that E.B.C 49 can be cancelled in its entirety and does not cover areas other than the Town of Cobourg.

**OEB STAFF - 3**

**Reference:** Application, page 3, para 10, 13, and 14

**Preamble:**

Enbridge Gas states that the Town of Cobourg appears to have an issue with the 20-year term in paragraph 4 and the 35%/65% cost allocation for pipeline relocations requested by the municipality in paragraph 12(d) of the Model Franchise Agreement. Enbridge Gas also states that at the Town of Cobourg's council meeting held on November 26, 2025, the Council confirmed that it is not agreeable to executing a Model Franchise Agreement with Enbridge Gas unless amendments are made to various terms contained within the Model Franchise Agreement. Enbridge Gas argues that the Town of Cobourg has not raised unique issues that would lead the OEB to consider such a deviation.

**Question(s):**

- a) Please discuss whether the Town of Cobourg has requested any specific word changes to paragraphs 4 and 12(d) of the Model Franchise Agreement.
- b) Please comment on whether changing the terms in paragraphs 4 and 12(d) could impact or change other paragraphs of the Model Franchise Agreement. If so, please comment on what the impact or changes could be.
- c) Please advise if Enbridge Gas accepts any of the Town of Cobourg's proposed changes as being reasonable and not in conflict with the public interest and, if so, please explain.