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**Re: Minogi Corporation's Intervention Request in Model Franchise Agreement  
Generic Proceeding  
Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2026-0009**

Dear Mr. Vollmer:

On May 14, 2026, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) issued Procedural Order No. 1 in the above-mentioned matter. In Procedural Order No. 1, the OEB made determinations on several intervention requests, but advised that it is still considering Minogi Corporation's intervention request and will require further information from them to assist with its determination on the request.

Accordingly, the OEB is now requesting additional information from Minogi Corporation to support its request for intervenor status. The OEB recognizes and appreciates the time and care required to respond to these matters and seeks to ensure it has a clear understanding of Minogi Corporation's interest(s) in this proceeding.

Before a natural gas utility can provide service within a municipality in Ontario, it must enter into a franchise agreement with that municipality. A franchise agreement is an operational contract between a municipality and a gas utility that sets out the rights and obligations of both parties. All franchise agreements must be approved by the OEB.

On March 10, 2026, the OEB commenced a proceeding on its own motion to conduct a limited review of the Model Franchise Agreement, which serves as the template for virtually all franchise agreements in Ontario.

Rule 22.02 of the OEB's [Rules of Practice and Procedure](#) outlines considerations that the OEB will take into account in determining requests for intervenor status:

The person applying for intervenor status must satisfy the OEB that they have a substantial interest and intend to participate responsibly in the proceeding. Examples of participation include participating in discovery, making submissions, and filing evidence. A person has a substantial interest if they have a material interest that is within the scope of the proceeding; for example:

- (i) primarily representing the direct interests of consumers (e.g., ratepayers) in relation to services that are regulated by the OEB;
- (ii) primarily representing an interest or policy perspective relevant to the OEB's mandate and to the proceeding;
- (iii) having an interest in land that may be affected by the outcome of the proceeding; or
- (iv) having constitutionally protected Aboriginal or treaty rights that may be affected by the outcome of the proceeding.

The questions below are intended to help the OEB better understand Minogi Corporation's interest in this proceeding – and particularly, the interests of the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation, who are represented by Minogi Corporation – and the framework in which natural gas services are provided to the community.

To assist the OEB in making a determination on Minogi Corporation's intervention request we respectfully ask that you provide your responses to the following questions:

### **1. Basis for Natural Gas Service Provision**

Please identify the basis, agreement, or authorizing instrument under which a natural gas utility currently provides natural gas services to the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation community. This may include any community-specific agreements, rights-of-way, or regulatory approvals (federal and/or provincial) governing the provision of natural gas service to the community.

## 2. Rights Potentially Affected

Please identify the Aboriginal or treaty rights or any other rights of the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation that may be affected by this proceeding, including as the proceeding relates to provisions of sections 11, 12, and 15 of a Model Franchise Agreement between municipalities and natural gas utilities, as expressed by Minogi Corporation in its intervention request. Please describe how these rights may be affected by potential outcomes of this proceeding.

### **Minogi Corporation Submissions on the Draft Issues List**

In Procedural Order No. 1, the OEB invited parties to “make submissions on the Draft Issues List and on whether, in their views, it appropriately outlines the scope of this proceeding. Parties may provide details on the specific matters that they propose to address.”<sup>1</sup>

While the OEB has yet to determine Minogi Corporation’s request for intervenor status and cost eligibility, the OEB invites Minogi Corporation to make a submission on the Draft Issues List contemplated by Procedural Order No. 1. Those submissions, if any, are to be made as part of Minogi Corporation’s response to the questions set out above.

In the event that Minogi Corporation is not granted intervenor status, it will still be eligible for cost award consideration for its time spent on any submission on the Draft Issues List.

Thank you for your attention to this request. We look forward to your response by **June 5, 2026**.

Yours truly,

Ritchie Murray  
Registrar

c: All parties in EB-2026-0009

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<sup>1</sup> EB-2026-0009, Procedural Order No. 1, May 14, 2026, at p.9