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Dear Jason Sau:

**Re: Projects to Expand Access to Natural Gas Distribution (Phase 2)
Severn (Washago) Community Expansion Project**

I am writing in relation to section 36.2 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* and Ontario Regulation 24/19 (Expansion Funding Regulation), as amended by Ontario Regulation 451/21 effective June 8, 2021.

Section 7 of the Expansion Funding Regulation contemplates that the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) will provide the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) with confirmation once the necessary OEB approvals referred to in section 2(1)(b) of the Expansion Funding Regulation have been obtained in relation to a gas expansion project covered by that Regulation. Section 2(1)(b) refers to "all necessary approvals from the [OEB] to authorize the expansion of a natural gas distribution system", which means any one or more of the following approvals as may be applicable to a given project:

- A Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity under section 8 of the *Municipal Franchises Act*
- A Municipal Franchise Agreement under section 9 of the *Municipal Franchises Act*
- Leave to construct under section 96 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* further to an application under section 90, or an order granting an exemption from the requirement to obtain leave to construct under section 95.

By this letter, the OEB is confirming that, to the extent that they were required, all such approvals have been obtained in respect of the following project being developed by Enbridge Gas Inc. and listed in [Schedule 2 of the Expansion Funding Regulation](#):

- Severn (Washago) (Item 25 of Schedule 2). This project was the subject to a leave to construct approval under section 90 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, which was granted by Decision and Order (EB-2025-0271) dated July 21, 2026.

Any questions relating to this letter should be directed to Lindsay Wright, Director, Natural Gas and Supply, at Lindsay.Wright@oeb.ca or at 416-440-8123. The OEB's toll-free number is 1-888-632-6273.

Yours truly,

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