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Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street
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Dear Ms Walli

Re: EB-2006-0034: Enbridge Gas Distribution application re. open bill issues:
request for extension to filing date

We represent Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (EGD).

On December 5, 2008, we wrote on behalf of EGD, and participants in the ongoing consultative/stakeholder process related to open bill issues, to request an extension of the date on which EGD must file its application proposing comprehensive billing services and bill insert offerings. The request is for an extension from the current deadline of December 31, 2008 to February 13, 2009.

In support of this request, we write to advise the Board that no party has indicated any opposition to the request.

As noted in our previous letter, it is as a result of settlement agreements in the EB-2006-0034 proceeding¹ that EGD is obliged to file an application related to open bill issues by December 31, 2008. The parties to the settlement in the EB-2006-0034 proceeding were the following (although those marked with an asterisk did not participate in the settlement of open bill issues):

CONSUMERS COUNCIL OF CANADA (CCC)
DIRECT ENERGY MARKETING LIMITED (Direct Energy)
ENERGY PROBE RESEARCH FOUNDATION (Energy Probe) *
GREEN ENERGY COALITION (GEC)
HVAC COALITION INC. (HVAC)
INDUSTRIAL GAS USERS ASSOCIATION (IGUA) *
ONTARIO ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICAL PLANT ADMINISTRATORS (OAPPA) *
ONTARIO ENERGY SAVINGS L.P. (OESLP)
POLLUTION PROBE
SCHOOL ENERGY COALITION (Schools)

¹ EB-2006-0034, Ex. N1-1-1, Schedules C and D.

SUPERIOR ENERGY MANAGEMENT (a division of Superior Plus Inc.) (Superior)
TRANSALTA COGENERATION L.P. AND TRANSALTA ENERGY CORP.
(TransAlta) *
TRANSCANADA PIPELINES LIMITED (TransCanada)*
UNION ENERGY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP (Union Energy)
UNION GAS LIMITED (Union)*
VULNERABLE ENERGY CONSUMERS COALITION (VECC)

Many of these parties are participants in the current open bill consultative/stakeholder committee: Direct Energy, EGD, HVAC, Union Energy (now called Reliance Comfort Limited Partnership) and VECC. All of these parties are joint proponents of the extension request, along with EGD.

The letter of December 5, 2008 requesting an extension of the December 31st deadline was copied on all participants in EGD's 2009 Rate Adjustment proceeding (EB-2008-0219), with a cover note highlighting the relief being sought from the Board. As a result, all of the parties to the original EB-2006-0034 settlement, except for GEC and Superior (who are not participants in the 2009 Rate Adjustment proceeding), have been provided with notice of this request. No party has indicated any opposition to the request, either in writing or during the course of the Technical Conference and Settlement Conference that have been held in the EB-2008-0219 proceeding since the December 5th letter was circulated.

If there was any opposition to the extension request, then EGD fully expects that parties would have made that opposition known by now. The fact is, though, that no party has indicated any concern with the request, and the parties most involved with the issue, those who are participants in the current open bill consultative/stakeholder committee, are proponents of the extension request.

In these circumstances, especially given that the current December 31st deadline is quickly approaching, we hope that the extension request can be granted as soon as possible.

Please contact me should you have any questions.

Yours very truly,

AIRD & BERLIS LLP



David Stevens

cc. Enbridge Gas Distribution
Members of the Open Bill Consultative
All parties registered in EB-2008-0219 (EGD's 2009 rate adjustment proceeding)

