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VIA RESS AND EMAIL

Nancy Marconi
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Ontario Energy Board
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Dear Nancy Marconi:

**Re: Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas, or the Company)
EB-2022-0200 - 2024 Rebasing – Phase 1 Response Evidence to be filed by
Enbridge Gas**

Enbridge Gas filed its 2024 Rates Application and the majority of its supporting evidence on October 31, 2022 and the balance of its evidence on November 30, 2022. In this Application, Enbridge Gas requests approval of rates for the sale, distribution, transmission, and storage of gas commencing January 1, 2024. Enbridge Gas also applies for approval of an incentive rate-making mechanism (IRM) for the years from 2025 to 2028.

Procedural Order No. 5 indicated that “[n]o later than May 15, 2023, Enbridge Gas shall advise the OEB of its intention to file evidence responding to Environmental Defence’s evidence regarding hydrogen, and the proposed filing date.”

Enbridge Gas received the evidence regarding hydrogen authored by Drs. Howarth and Jacobson on May 11, 2023. The evidence includes responses to certain Enbridge Gas and Guidehouse undertaking responses, and attaches studies prepared by the authors.

Enbridge Gas intends to file responding evidence. However, at this time the Company cannot confirm whether this evidence will be from a new external expert or from Company witnesses (and/or perhaps Guidehouse). Intervenor evidence was only just received on the afternoon of May 11 and Enbridge Gas has not had sufficient opportunity to review this evidence with potential third-party expert witnesses to establish a definite plan of action and a confirmed third-party engagement. Enbridge Gas anticipates that it will be in a position to update the OEB and parties on the details of its responding evidence by Tuesday May 23, 2023.

Given that interrogatory responses on intervenor evidence will not be available for review until May 24, 2023 it will not be possible for Enbridge Gas to complete and file its responding evidence in advance of the May 29, 2023 settlement conference start date. Enbridge Gas plans to file this evidence by June 19, 2023 instead, which

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should give parties sufficient time to review this evidence in advance of a possible July 2023 hearing.

Enbridge Gas will send a copy of this letter to all parties in this proceeding.

Should you have any questions, please let us know.

Sincerely,

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