SECTION 1.0

Application

NEW BRUNSWICK ENERGY AND UTILITIES BOARD

APPLICATION

(Rule 2.2)

This is an Application by: Enbridge Gas New Brunswick Limited Partnership, as represented by its general partner, Enbridge Gas New Brunswick Inc. ("EGNB")

In accordance with: sections 52 and 56 of the *Gas Distribution Act, 1999*, S.N.B. 1999, c. G-2.11, and sections 60 and 64 of the *Energy and Utilities Board Act*, S.N.B. 2006, c. E-9.18.

The Applicant applies to the Board for the following:

- 1. EGNB hereby applies to the New Brunswick Energy and Utilities Board (the "Board"), pursuant to sections 52 and 56 of the *Gas Distribution Act, 1999* (the "GDA") and sections 60 and 64 of the *Energy and Utilities Board Act* (the "EUB Act") for an order or orders (a) approving changes to its Small General Service, Mid-General Service, Large General Service, Contract General Service, Industrial Contract General Service and Off-Peak Service distribution rates; and (b) approving EGNB's 2015 Regulatory Financial Statements.
- 2. EGNB is the general franchisee under a General Franchise Agreement dated August 31, 1999 ("GFA") with the Province of New Brunswick as represented by the Minister of Natural Resources and Energy. The GFA (which was filed with the Board as part of EGNB's 2000 Rate Application) authorizes EGNB to distribute natural gas and provide customer services in the Province of New Brunswick.
- 3. In a Decision dated July 7, 2016, the Board approved EGNB's current Small General Service, Mid-General Service, Large General Service, Contract General Service, Industrial Contract General Service and Off-Peak Service distribution rates.
- 4. EGNB now wishes to change its distribution rates.
- 5. EGNB is filing, at the same time as this Application, relevant supporting or exploratory information to be tendered as evidence including EGNB's 2015 Regulatory Financial Statements and new Rate Schedules.

6. On the basis of the foregoing, EGNB applies for the following orders, decisions or

directions of the Board:

(a) approval, under sections 52 and 56 of the GDA and sections 60 and 64 of the

EUB Act, of the changes to EGNB's distribution rates, with such changes to be

effective January 1, 2017;

(b) approval of EGNB's 2015 Regulatory Financial Statements;

(c) such interim order under section 40 of the EUB Act, and such further directions in

that regard, as may be necessary or appropriate;

(d) an order under subsection 96(3) of the GDA exempting EGNB, to the extent

necessary or appropriate, from some or all of the provisions of any regulations

made by the Board under subsection 96(1) of the GDA; and

(e) such further or other order, decision or direction relating to EGNB's Small

General Service, Mid-General Service, Large General Service, Contract General

Service, Industrial Contract General Service and Off-Peak Service distribution

rates or 2015 Regulatory Financial Statements as EGNB may request and the

Board may deem necessary or appropriate.

7. EGNB intends to proceed in the English language

8. The authorized representatives of EGNB are:

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ENBRIDGE GAS NEW BRUNSWICK LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, as represented by its general partner ENBRIDGE GAS NEW BRUNSWICK INC.

by its counsel

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