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 ("SGS") distribution rates; (b) approving EGNB's 2016 Regulatory Financial Statements; and (c) approving EGNB's revised Handbook of Rates and Distribution Services.
- 2. EGNB is the general franchisee under an Amended and Restated General Franchise Agreement dated December 16, 2016 ("GFA") with the Province of New Brunswick as represented by the Minister of Energy and Resource Development. The GFA authorizes EGNB to distribute natural gas and provide customer services in the Province of New Brunswick.
- 3. In a Decision dated November 30, 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 SGS 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 2016 Regulatory Financial Statements, a revised Handbook of Rates and Distribution Services, a Load Retention Rate proposal 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 SGS distribution rates, with such changes to

be effective January 1, 2018 and effective January 1, 2019;

(b) approval of EGNB's 2016 Regulatory Financial Statements;

(c) approval of EGNB's revised Handbook of Rates and Distribution Services;

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

that regard, as may be necessary or appropriate;

(e) 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

(f) such further or other order, decision or direction relating to EGNB's SGS, Mid-

General Service, Large General Service, Contract General Service, Industrial

Contract General Service and Off-Peak Service distribution rates or 2016

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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by its counsel

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