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BY EMAIL AND COURIER

Ms. Lorraine R. Légère Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities P.O. Box 5001 15 Market Square, Suite 1400 Saint John, NB E2L 1E8

Dear Ms. Légère:

Application for Extensions of Development Period and Deferral Account Recovery Period

I am enclosing, on behalf of Enbridge Gas New Brunswick ("EGNB"), an Application to extend EGNB's Development Period and Deferral Account Recovery Period together with information in support of the Application. We are couriering 15 copies of this material to you today.

We have enclosed a draft Order and Notice (the French versions of which will be emailed to the Board once the English versions are finalized) for the Board's consideration. The Notice asks that interested parties indicate whether they want a pre-hearing conference and whether the proceeding should be written or oral.

EGNB requests that the Board establish a written proceeding to deal with this Application. Set out below are two proposed schedules, depending on the type of proceeding used:

| Written Process | | | Oral Hearing | g Required | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| EGNB files Appli supporting evider | | Oct 8 | EGNB files Application and supporting evidence | | Oct 8 |
| Obtain Board Ord | ler | Oct 13 | Obtain Board | Order | Oct 13 |
| Advertise | | Oct 16 | Advertise | | Oct 16 |
| Intervenors Regis | ter | Nov 5 | Intervenors Register | | Nov 5 |
| Board advises if F conference require | e | | U | Nov 9 | |
| CHARLOTTETOWN 902 3687 8473 | FREDERICTON 506 458 8572 | HALIFAX 902 425 6500 | MONCTON 506 857 8970 | SAINT JOHN 506 643 6500 | ST. JOHN'S 709 722 8735 |

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| Possible Pre-hearing conference | Nov 10 | Possible Pre-hearing conference | Nov 10 |
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| Written questions to EGNB | Nov 17 | IR's to EGNB | Nov 17 |
| EGNB Responses | Nov 24 | EGNB Responses | Nov 24 |
| Written comments from Intervenors | Dec 1 | Intervenor evidence | Dec 1 |
| Written comments from EGNB | Dec 8 | IR's to Intervenors | Dec 8 |
| | | Intervenor Responses | Dec 15 |
| | | Oral hearing | Dec ?? |

If you have any questions or require additional information, please call me.

Yours very truly,

Len Hoyt

LTH/tdg Enclosures