

## INDIGENOUS<sup>1</sup> CONSULTATION

1. Enbridge Gas Inc. (“Enbridge Gas”) is committed to creating processes that support meaningful engagement with potentially affected Indigenous groups (First Nations and Métis). Enbridge Gas works to build an understanding of project related interests, ensure regulatory requirements are met, mitigate or avoid project-related impacts on Aboriginal interests including rights, and provide mutually beneficial opportunities where possible.
2. Pursuant to the Ontario Energy Board’s *Environmental Guidelines for the Location, Construction and Operation of Hydrocarbon Pipelines and Facilities in Ontario, 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, 2016* (the “Guidelines”), Enbridge Gas provided the Ontario Ministry of Energy Northern Development and Mines (the “MOENDM”) with a project description for the TL9/TL9H Ladysmith Well Drilling Project (the “Project”) on August 17, 2018. This Project description is set out at Attachment 1 to this Exhibit.
3. Subsequently, on October 10, 2018, Enbridge Gas received a letter (“Delegation Letter”) from the MOENDM indicating that the MOENDM had delegated the procedural aspects of consultation to Enbridge Gas for the Project. The Delegation Letter identified five Indigenous communities to be consulted with. A copy of the Delegation Letter is provided at Attachment 2 to this Exhibit.
4. Information gathered during the course of Enbridge Gas’ engagement with Indigenous groups was incorporated into the accompanying Stage 1 and Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment and Environmental Screening Report set out in the C series of Exhibits. This work was completed under the auspices of the Guidelines which include duty to consult requirements for hydrocarbon facility proponents.

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<sup>1</sup> Enbridge has used the terms “Aboriginal” and “Indigenous” interchangeably in its application. “Indigenous” has the meaning assigned by the definition “aboriginal peoples of Canada” in subsection 35(2) of the *Constitution Act, 1982*.

### Aboriginal Engagement Program Objectives

5. The design of the Aboriginal engagement program was based on adherence to the Guidelines and *Enbridge's Indigenous Peoples Policy* and principles as follows:
- Enbridge Inc. has instituted a company-wide *Indigenous Peoples Policy* ("Policy") (set out in Attachment 3 to this Exhibit). The Policy lays out key principles for establishing relationships with Indigenous groups, which includes, among other things, respect for traditional ways and land, heritage sites, the environment and traditional knowledge.
  - Enbridge Gas has established meaningful relationships, provided timely exchanges of information, understands and addresses Indigenous Project-specific concerns, and ensures ongoing dialogue about its projects, their potential implications and benefits.
  - Enbridge Gas aligns its interests with those of Indigenous communities through meaningful, direct Indigenous economic activity in projects corresponding to community capacity and project needs, where possible.
  - The Indigenous engagement program for the Project recognizes the rights of Indigenous groups and assists Enbridge Gas in engaging in meaningful dialogue with potentially affected Indigenous groups about the Project. It also assists Enbridge Gas in meeting the procedural aspects of consultation that may be required by the Crown and the Guidelines.

### Overview of Aboriginal Engagement Program Activities

6. Enbridge Gas conducts its Indigenous consultation generally through phone calls, in-person meetings, Project mail-outs, open houses and email communications. During these engagement activities, Enbridge Gas representatives will provide an

overview of the Project, respond to questions and concerns, and address any interests or concerns expressed by Indigenous communities to appropriately mitigate any Project-related impacts. In order to accurately document Indigenous engagement activities and ensure follow-up, applicable supporting documents are tracked using a database.

### Ongoing Aboriginal Engagement Activities

7. Enbridge Gas will continue to actively engage all identified Indigenous groups in meaningful ongoing dialogue concerning the Project and endeavor to meet with each Indigenous group, provided they are willing, for the purpose of exchanging information regarding the Project and to respond to inquiries in a timely manner. Enbridge Gas will hear and address concerns as is feasible and seek information on the exercise of, and potential impacts to, Aboriginal and Treaty rights, traditional use in the Project area and how any potential Project-related impacts can be mitigated.
8. Exhibit G, Tab 1, Schedule 2 contains a summary of Enbridge Gas' Indigenous consultation activities for the Project. Exhibit G, Tab 1, Schedule 3 contains the Indigenous consultation matrix (and associated attachments) for the Project.
9. The information presented in the aforementioned Exhibits reflects Enbridge Gas' Indigenous engagement activities for the Project up to and including April 25, 2019 however, Enbridge Gas will continue to engage during the regulatory process and throughout the life of the Project.