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To: Oil and Gas Pipeline Companies under the Jurisdiction of the National Energy Board and Interested Parties

Amendments to the *National Energy Board Act* and the *Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act*

As a result of the *Jobs, Growth and Long-term Prosperity Act*, changes have been made to the *National Energy Board Act* (NEB Act) and the *Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act* (COGOA). The amendments are now in force and require the National Energy Board (NEB) to take into account the effects of pipeline and power line crossings of navigable waters on navigation and navigation safety, before making its recommendations or decisions on applications under s. 52 and 58 of the NEB Act and s. 5 of COGOA. The NEB's Filing Manual, Electricity Filing Manual, and NEB Act s. 58 Online Application System will be updated shortly to guide applicants regarding information that is required for the NEB to assess such effects and can be accessed at www.neb-one.gc.ca

The NEB conducts independent, fair and publically accessible regulatory review processes for projects under its jurisdiction. The NEB imposes or recommends terms and conditions on project approvals and inspects and verifies compliance in order to protect the safety of Canadians and the environment. The NEB will take all available actions to protect the environment and public safety.

For questions about the amendments to the NEB Act and COGOA, please see the NEB website http://www.neb-one.gc.ca/clf-nsi/rthnb/nws/fqs/fqs-eng.html, for related Questions and Answers.

Yours truly,

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