

Enbridge Northern Gateway Project

Joint Review Panel

File OF-Fac-Oil-N304-2010-01 01
22 November 2013

Ms. Josette Wier
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Dear Ms. Wier:

**Northern Gateway Pipelines Inc. (Northern Gateway)
Application for the Enbridge Northern Gateway Project
Hearing Order OH-4-2011
Letter filed by Josette Wier dated 18 November 2013**

The Panel is in receipt of your letter dated 18 November 2013 regarding your objection to the handling of your Notice of Motion #24.

The Panel is of the view that your 18 November 2013 unnecessarily and unfairly singled out individuals on the Secretariat staff. Due to the inappropriate personal nature of the comments regarding Secretariat staff, the Panel has directed that the names of the staff mentioned in your letter be redacted. Secretariat staff members have been and continue to be courteous and helpful to all parties in this process.

Your letter indicates that, in your view, there is a seeming desire for the Secretariat staff to impede your participation at this stage of the process by not providing you the courtesy of sending notice of your motion to the other parties.

The Panel notes that under the *National Energy Board Rules of Practice and Procedure*, and as reiterated in the Hearing Order, responsibility for serving copies of the notice of motion on all parties rests with the party bringing the motion. The Panel further notes that Secretariat staff has assisted you in meeting this responsibility in the past and have continued to do so.

The Panel would like to point out that a link to your Notice of Motion #24 was sent by the Secretariat staff simultaneously with the Panel's ruling on the motion. As the Panel did not seek comments from other intervenors, there was no need for the notice of motion to be distributed in advance of the ruling.

Yours truly,

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Sheri Young
Secretary to the Joint Review Panel



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