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**Re: Enbridge Pipelines Inc. (Enbridge)
Line 3 Replacement Program (the Project) Application of 5 November 2014
Potential Effect on Species Listed Under the *Species at Risk Act* (SARA)**

Pursuant to the SARA, the National Energy Board (the Board or NEB) hereby advises the Minister of Environment and the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans that the above-noted Project, if approved and constructed, may affect 36 species listed on Schedule 1 of the SARA and/or their habitat. The listed species that may be affected are provided in the attached table.

On 5 November 2014, Enbridge applied to the NEB for approval to construct approximately 1,073 km of new pipeline to replace the majority of the existing Line 3 pipeline, and to decommission the majority of the existing Line 3 pipeline, from Enbridge's Hardisty Terminal, located near Hardisty, Alberta to Gretna Station, located near Gretna, Manitoba. The proposed Project includes the replacement of the existing 863.6 mm crude oil pipeline with a 914.4 mm crude oil pipeline, the addition of remotely operated sectionalizing valves, the addition of 18 pump stations and associated infrastructure and equipment, the addition of tankage at the Hardisty Terminal, and the decommissioning of the majority of the existing Line 3 pipeline once the replacement pipeline is in operation. More information on the Project can be found on the Board's website at <http://www.neb-one.gc.ca/pplctnflng/mjrpp/ln3rplcmnt/index-eng.html>.

The Project is subject to an environmental assessment under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012*. Additional information about the environmental assessment is available through the Canadian Environmental Assessment Registry using reference number 80091.

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On 5 February 2015, the Board issued a Notice of Public Hearing and Application to Participate [Filing [A4H2W8](#)] for the Project. Should Environment Canada and/or Fisheries and Oceans Canada have specific advice related to the above matter, the Application to Participate form must be used to request participation in the hearing. The form is available on the Board's website at the first link above. For the advice to be considered it must be filed appropriately with the Board and served on Enbridge by 4 pm MST on 31 March 2015.

Further enquiries can be directed to Matt Groza, Process Advisor at 902-858-2138 or toll free at 1-800-899-1265.

Yours truly,

Original signed by L. George for

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Secretary of the Board

Attachment

**SPECIES AT RISK ACT (SARA) SCHEDULE 1 SPECIES THAT MAY BE
AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSED ENBRIDGE LINE 3 REPLACEMENT PROGRAM**

Species	SARA Schedule 1 Designation
<i>Vegetation</i>	
Rough agalinis	Endangered
Small-flowered sand-verbena	Endangered
Small white lady's-slipper	Endangered
Buffalograss	Threatened
Hairy prairie clover	Threatened
Slender mouse-ear cress	Threatened
Smooth arid goosefoot	Threatened
Western spiderwort	Threatened
Riddell's goldenrod	Special Concern
<i>Wildlife</i>	
Burrowing owl	Endangered
Little brown myotis	Endangered
Loggerhead shrike (<i>migrans</i> subspecies)	Endangered
Northern myotis	Endangered
Northern prairie skink	Endangered
Piping plover (<i>circumcinctus</i> subspecies)	Endangered
Whooping crane	Endangered
Chestnut-collared longspur	Threatened
Chimney swift	Threatened
Common nighthawk	Threatened
Ferruginous hawk	Threatened
Least bittern	Threatened
Loggerhead shrike (<i>excubitorides</i> subspecies)	Threatened
Olive-sided flycatcher	Threatened
Red-headed woodpecker	Threatened
Sprague's pipit	Threatened
Whip-poor-will	Threatened
Long-billed curlew	Special Concern
McCown's longspur	Special Concern
Northern leopard frog (Western Boreal/Prairie populations)	Special Concern
Peregrine falcon (<i>anatum</i> subspecies)	Special Concern
Rusty blackbird	Special Concern
Short-eared owl	Special Concern
Snapping turtle	Special Concern
Yellow rail	Special Concern

Species	SARA Schedule 1 Designation
<i>Aquatic Species</i>	
Mapleleaf mussel (Saskatchewan-Nelson population)	Endangered
Bigmouth buffalo (Saskatchewan-Nelson River populations)	Special Concern