

**Clarington resolution – passed unanimously Mar. 3, 2014**

Whereas Line 9 is a high pressure oil pipeline that crosses the full width of Durham Region, and Enbridge has applied to the National Energy Board (NEB) for permission to:

1. reverse its flow so that it carries crude oil from Westover to Montreal
2. increase its flow from 240,000 barrels to 300,000 barrels per day
3. include diluted bitumen to the classes of petroleum it can carry

Whereas the Regional Municipality of Durham submitted a Letter of Comment to the NEB highlighting its concerns which was endorsed by the Municipality of Clarington on September 16, 2013, and Letters of Comment expressing similar concerns were submitted by the Towns of Ajax and Whitby, as well as private individuals and organizations, and

Whereas the Province of Ontario also expressed its concern in its submission to the NEB and set out 7 minimum conditions that they felt should be imposed before the NEB approved Enbridge's application:

1. a hydrostatic test of the Line
2. an independent 3rd party review of the risk and engineering assessments submitted by Enbridge
3. insurance coverage of \$1billion
4. that Enbridge incorporate vulnerable areas and source protection plans into their high consequence area and environmentally sensitive area maps
5. that these vulnerable areas be incorporated into its emergency response plan
6. conduct emergency response exercises annually with all municipalities who want them
7. publish an annual report on Line 9, including information about maintenance, spills and integrity testing

Whereas, in the course of the Line 9 hearing process, it was revealed that Durham Region has the highest concentration of watercourse crossings along the entire pipeline, which, with inadequate emergency response times of between 1.5 and 4 hours, puts Durham Region communities, citizens, businesses and natural environment at increased risk in the event of a pipeline spill; and

Whereas the Municipality of Clarington has no regulatory authority over this pipeline.

Therefore be it resolved that the Municipality of Clarington supports the 7 conditions set out by the Province of Ontario, and

requests the NEB impose those conditions in any approval it may issue on the proposed project

and be it further resolved that:

due to the high concentration of watercourses and wetlands that the pipeline crosses in Durham Region and its rapidly increasing population, the Municipality of Clarington requests the Province of Ontario to file a motion with the NEB asking the NEB to, as a condition of approval, require that Enbridge reinforce the pipeline to have a minimum

thickness of 9.5mm, which is 3/8", where it crosses a 'high consequence area' and require Enbridge to provide increased protection for Durham Region's communities and natural environment by establishing an Enbridge Oil Pipeline emergency response crew in Durham Region to reduce emergency response times; and

THAT should the NEB's decision not require Enbridge to fulfill these conditions, the Province of Ontario and Enbridge Oil Pipelines work collaboratively to reinforce the pipeline where it crosses a 'high consequence area' and to establish an Enbridge Oil Pipeline emergency response crew in Durham Region to reduce emergency response times.

and further,

that this resolution be forwarded to Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne, Energy Minister Bob Chiarelli, and Environment Minister Jim Bradley,

with copies to: The National Energy Board, Federal Minister of Natural Resources Joe Oliver, Federal Environment Minister Leona Aglukkaq, the Regional Municipality of Durham, City of Pickering, Town of Whitby, City of Oshawa, Town of Ajax, Erin O'Toole MP and John O'Toole, MPP.