

Anishinabek Nation Special Assembly
Sault Ste Marie, ON
November 17, 2015

RESOLUTION – #2015-26

Subject: Amendments to the Terms of Reference for Anishinabek Advisory Council on Health

Mover: Chief Thomas Bressette, Chippewas of Kettle & Stony Point

Seconded: Chief Peter Collins, Fort William First Nation

Status: Carried

Opposed: None


Abstentions: None

WHEREAS

1. The Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly, through Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Resolution 2010/29 approved the Terms of Reference for the Anishinabek Advisory Council on Health.
2. The approved Anishinabek Advisory Council on Health Terms of References include clauses which require the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly to approve any amendments.
3. The Anishinabek Advisory Council on Health has reviewed the Terms of Reference with assistance from Anishinabek Legal Counsel and the Chiefs Committee on Health has reviewed and endorsed the amendments to the Terms of Reference for the Anishinabek Advisory Council on Health.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

1. That the Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly support the revised Terms of Reference for the Anishinabek Advisory Council on Health, to be identified as being approved by Chiefs-in-Assembly – November 17, 2015.



Patrick Wedaseh Madahbee
Grand Council Chief



Glen Hare
Deputy Grand Council Chief

Subject: Chippewas of the Thames Enbridge Line 9B Pipeline Consultation & Accommodation

Mover: Chief Leslee White-eye, Chippewas of the Thames First Nation

Seconder: Chief Patsy Corbiere, Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation

Status: Carried

Opposed: None

Abstentions: None

WHEREAS


1. The Chippewas of the Thames First Nation (COTTFN) has been undertaking to protect its Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, territory and its citizens from the negative impacts of Enbridge Inc.'s (Enbridge) plans to modify its Line 9B Pipeline;
2. The 9B Pipeline crosses through COTTFN traditional and treaty territory, including the Deshkan Ziibii Watershed, which provides a source of drinking water to the First Nation;
3. A potential spill from Line 9B threatens to poison the drinking water of over 10 million people and devastate rivers with bitumen that cannot be cleaned up;
4. The COTTFN has been undertaking to defend their Aboriginal and Treaty Right to be consulted and accommodated with respect to the planned modification to the 9B Pipeline by Enbridge Inc.;
5. In April 2014, COTTFN filed an application with the Federal Court of Appeal to challenge the National Energy Board's (NEB) approval of Line 9B, indicating the federal Crown failed to provide consultation with COTTFN on the project, as is their right;
6. The NEB's approval of Line 9B is a violation of COTTFN's Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, which are affirmed in Section 35 of the Constitution Act, 1982;
7. In addition to the impact on COTTFN Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, the jurisdictional decision of the NEB may have serious negative implications for other existing and contemplated applications under the NEB which may impact other First Nations who attempt to assert Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

1. The Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly support COTTFN in their efforts to protect their Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, territory and citizens from the negative impacts of Enbridge's plans to modify the Line 9B Pipeline;
2. The Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly call upon the Crown to uphold their laws and obligations as outlined in Section 35 of the Constitution Act;

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3. The Anishinabek Nation Chiefs-in-Assembly direct the Grand Council Chief to advance the issue to the Chiefs of Ontario to support the efforts of COTTFN to protect their Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, territory and citizens from the negative impacts of Enbridge's plans to modify the Line 9B Pipeline.



Patrick Wedaseh Madahbee
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