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Ms. Sheri Young Secretary of the Board **National Energy Board** 517 10 Avenue SW Calgary, AB T2R 0A8

Re: 30 Day Comment Period on Proposed Amendments to Regulations for Pipeline Damage Prevention (File-Ad-GA-ActsLeg-Fed-NEBA-RRG-DPR 02 01)

Dear Ms. Young,

Westcoast Energy Inc., carrying on business as Spectra Energy Transmission ("Westcoast"), respectfully submits this letter to the National Energy Board (the "Board") in response to the request for comments regarding the Proposed Amendments to Regulations for Pipeline Damage Prevention.

Westcoast has engaged in discussions with Canadian Energy Pipeline Association ("CEPA") member companies with regard to the above, and supports the response submitted by CEPA on their behalf. In addition, Westcoast provides the following comments.

Westcoast fully supports the proposed revisions to the Pipeline Crossing Regulations requiring anyone planning construction or excavation within the area prescribed in the National Energy Board Act to make a locate request via a one-call centre, and requiring NEB-regulated pipeline companies to be members of one-call centres where they exist. Such legislation sets a positive example for damage prevention initiatives. Westcoast encourages the Board to take a leadership role in the promotion of mandatory one-call use and membership to regulators and law-makers across Canada.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments. Westcoast requests that the Board take into consideration the feedback provided by CEPA. Westcoast is committed to working in collaboration with the Board in the development of positive regulatory change for damage prevention.

Yours truly,

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