1. ECOLOGICAL IMPACT OF LINE 10 EXPANSION: The impact will be huge. The pipeline expansion will create more than twice the GHG emissions saved by the province shutting down all of Ontario’s coal-fired power stations;

2. DEMAND PUBLIC PROCESS FROM THE NEB: The staff report recommends sending a letter to the NEB “if provided with the opportunity.” It is not for the NEB to decide who can send it a letter. Conceding that would imply a permission that is not necessary and may never come. The City should ask for a public process it can participate in or it is unlikely to get one. Moreover, otherwise the NEB will have no formal notification of the City’s interest. I would respectfully remind the Committee that the NEB claims to have reformed its processes to be more responsive.

3. CITY NOT INFORMED ABOUT PLANS FOR PIPELINE AND FUTURE OWNERSHIP: We respectfully remind the Counsel that we had specifically warned more than a year ago at a General Issues Committee meeting of Enbridge’s plans to sell Line 10. But when Counsellor Johnson asked Enbridge officials about those plans, at that meeting, those Enbridge officials responded by saying they had no knowledge of such plans, despite we having furnished Counsel with a copy of the media release by United Refining Corporation announcing the purchase plan.

4. DECOMMISSIONED PIPE: The City sent a letter to the NEB hearings on Line 10 asking that the company be ordered to remove the decommissioned pipe. The NEB did not even do the City the courtesy of acknowledging the request, completely ignoring it in its final decision. Now, the City’s concerns about the decommissioned pipes aren’t even mentioned in the staff report or the Enbridge letter to Counsel. So now it is unclear what company will be responsible for the old pipes on a long-term basis. Enbridge has advised Counsel that removing the old pipes would disturb Line 11 pipes sharing the same right-of-way. So what happens if one company decides an integrity dig is required on the same right of way?