



**Illinois Petroleum Marketers Association  
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The Honorable Terrance Hillard  
Illinois Commerce Commission  
527 East Capitol Avenue  
Springfield, Illinois 62701

Re: ICC Docket No. 06-6476  
Enbridge Application for Certificate in Good Standing

Dear Judge Hillard:

I understand that Enbridge has recently filed for a Certificate in Good Standing with the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) pertaining to its proposed underground pipeline expansion program in Illinois.

On behalf of the thousands of petroleum marketers and convenience store operators doing business throughout Illinois, the Illinois Petroleum Marketers Association and the Illinois Association of Convenience Stores strongly supports Enbridge's application, and we hope that the Commission approves it as soon as possible.

Illinois access to more crude oil from the oil sands area of Alberta, Canada would positively impact the Illinois petroleum supply situation. Illinois petroleum marketers and convenience store operators are becoming increasingly concerned about the decline in U.S. oil production and continued crude oil supply dependence on more instable parts of the world. In addition, the supply infrastructure seems to currently be so close to capacity that almost any interruption has a major impact on the ability of refiners to supply gasoline and diesel fuel to the petroleum marketers who supply the service stations and convenience stores that serve the motor fuel consumers of Illinois.

Enbridge's proposed pipeline expansion will directly deliver a critical commodity to the refineries that supply our members, and expand the petroleum infrastructure on which the entire state depends. Though many factors dictate the price of gasoline and other petroleum-based products, increasing the supply of crude oil and supply alternatives can only be positive forces when the marketplace determines the final price.

The ICC rightfully requires high standards when issuing a Certificate in Good Standing. In our estimation, Enbridge's pipeline expansion program meets and exceeds these standards.

We encourage you to consider the significant need for this project and the substantial public benefits the proposed pipeline expansion program will bring to Illinois businesses and consumers and recommend ICC approval of Enbridge's application as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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Executive Vice President

**Enbridge Ex. 1  
Attachment D**