



# Charter Township of Brandon

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Thomas A. Stowell, Trustee  
Dana DePalma, Trustee  
David King, Trustee  
Cheryl Gault, Trustee

## RESOLUTION #229-12 FOR THE ENBRIDGE LINE 6B REPLACEMENT PROJECT THROUGH THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BRANDON

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Brandon, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, held on August 20, 2012, at 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Thurman, McCreery, Beltramo, Stowell, King, Gault, DePalma  
**ABSENT:** None

The following preamble and resolution were offered by McCreery and supported by Beltramo.

**WHEREAS**, based on the Michigan Constitution Article 7, Sec. 29 and the Michigan Highway Act 247.183, Section 13, no person can use the roads of the township without the consent of the authority of the municipality; and

**WHEREAS**, even though Enbridge (Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership) is a privately owned corporation it has been given approval by the Michigan Public Service Commission to operate in the same manner as a public utility and Enbridge is taxed by Brandon Township as if it were a utility; and

**WHEREAS**, under MCL 42.17, Charter Townships are required to provide for public health and safety; and

**WHEREAS**, Enbridge reports there is a need for the replacement of Enbridge Line B6 as the integrity of the pipeline has undergone numerous testing and significant faults have been discovered with some resulting in leaks and oil spills that have significantly compromised the environment and required millions of dollars to clean up; and

**WHEREAS**, the Enbridge pipeline transports a variety of crude oil including "Tar Sand Oil" which is by nature corrosive and toxic that is extremely hazardous to the environment and all forms of life; and

**WHEREAS**, Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership plans to install a new Line 6B pipeline and deactivate the existing Line 6B pipeline; and

**WHEREAS**, studies have been done and continue to be done on the corrosiveness of tar sand oil and its effect on pipelines and the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, Brandon Township has unique natural features in that it contains the beginning of two major watersheds; and

WHEREAS, Enbridge has worked with the Northern Gateway project team to ensure their project would be built and operated to the highest standards including further enhancements in pipeline design and operations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Board of Trustees for the Charter Township of Brandon has considered the presentation from Enbridge and determined that the following requirements must be complied with prior to construction in Brandon Township;

1. An increased pipeline wall thickness of the oil pipeline equal to or greater than that used in the Northern Gateway Project.
2. An additional pipeline wall thickness for water crossings equal to or greater than that used in the Northern Gateway Project.
3. An increased number of remotely-operated isolation valves equal to or greater than that used in the Northern Gateway Project.
4. An increased frequency of in-line inspection surveys across the entire Line 6 B pipeline system by a minimum 50% over and above current standards which is equal to or greater than that used in the Northern Gateway Project.
5. The installation of dual leak detection systems equal to or greater than that used in the Northern Gateway Project.
6. On-site monitoring, heightened security, and rapid response to abnormal conditions at the Ortonville pump station equal to or greater than that used in the Northern Gateway Project.
7. A guarantee that once the original pipeline is deactivated it will not be used for any kind of petroleum, natural gas, propane or environmentally hazardous product in the future thereby doubling the amount of hazardous material running through Brandon Township
8. Compensation to Brandon Township for the additional usage of Township roads.

Roll Call Vote:           **AYES: Thurman, McCreery, Beltramo, Stowell, King, Gault, DePalma**


**NAYS:           0**

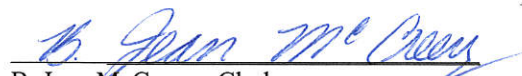
**ABSENT:       0**

**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.**

STATE OF MICHIGAN     )  
  )ss.  
COUNTY OF OAKLAND   )

I, the undersigned, duly qualified Township Clerk of the Charter Township of Brandon, Oakland County, Michigan, do hereby certify the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the proceedings taken by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Brandon at a meeting held on August 20, 2012.

  
Kathy Thurman, Supervisor  
Charter Township of Brandon

  
B. Jean McCreery, Clerk  
Charter Township of Brandon

Dated: August 21, 2012