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Ontario Energy Board
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Re: File Number EB-2012-0099 Enbridge Gas Distribution, Ottawa Reinforcement Project

The City is in the process of conducting a provincial EA to increase roadway capacity between existing Hope Side Road west of Richmond Road to the Hunt Club/Highway 416 Interchange. The most likely outcome of this EA will include:

- Widening of existing Hope Side Road to four lanes.
- Realignment of the existing Hope Side Road/Richmond Road intersection to the north east or provide a roundabout,
- Widening of Richmond Road from two to four lanes between Hope Side Road and Hunt Club Road.
- Provide a roundabout at the intersection of Richmond Road and Hunt Club Road, and
- Widening of Hunt Club Road from two to four lanes from Richmond Road to Highway 416.

In these areas to avoid relocation of the Enbridge pipeline at a later date it is suggested that the Enbridge pipeline to be barrier to a depth of approximately 2.5 m below exiting grade at the edge of the future ROW.

The timing for this EA has been delayed due to other Master Planning projects being undertaken by the National Capital Commission in this area. It is anticipated that this EA will resume by the end of 2012 and will take between 12 and 18 months for completion. The result of the EA will then go through the detail design process with construction to be completed by 2015. In addition, existing Hope Side Road will be widened from two to four lanes in 2017. ROW required along this route will be 42.5 m.

This City is concerned that the proposed Enbridge pipeline in this portion of the proposed corridor will require relocation in these areas as a consequence of the future corridor realignment. One means of avoiding the pipeline in the future would be to ensure that it is buried at a depth that will not create a future hazard. Alternatively, should Enbridge proceed prior to the finalization of the Corridor Environmental Assessment, the City of Ottawa would ask that Enbridge Gas be responsible for any and all costs of relocating the pipeline in the future to accommodate the corridor modifications.

Furthermore, along Eagleson Road, we would ask that Enbridge Gas protect the existing Right of Way ("ROW") and place pipe along the eastern ROW limits as indicated on drawings provided to Enbridge Gas. At Eagleson Rd and roughly 150m south of Hope Side Road, there is City owned ROW extending east and joining onto Hope Side Road for a distance of about 370m. We would ask that Enbridge Gas install the reinforcement pipe within this City owned ROW just south of Hope Side Road.

Additionally, along West Hunt Club Road., we would ask that Enbridge Gas protect for the future widening of Hunt Club Road from four to six lanes from Highway 416 to Greenbank Road subject to a future EA study. Placement of pipeline is to be at the southern ROW limits of West Hunt Club Road as previously indicated to Enbridge Gas.

In respect to pending future development, the lands on the north side of Hope Road (bounded by Eagleson Road to the west, Richmond Road to the east, and the existing Bridlewood community to the north) are subject to an approved Draft Plan of Subdivision. As part of the servicing of this subdivision, it is anticipated that the developer will be constructing municipal sewage works within or immediately adjacent to the existing road allowances for Hope Side Road and Richmond Road. The final designs have not yet been approved; however the expected works include:

- 900mm diameter storm sewer, along the west side of Richmond Road, from an existing road crossing culvert (approx 200mm north of Hope) to Hope Side Road (north side);
- 2. 900mm diameter storm sewers, along the north side of Hope Side Road, from Richmond Road to Crown Ridge Drive; and
- 3. Possible twinning of existing box culvert crossing Hope Side Road, approximately 600mm east of Eagleson Road."

The City would like to make sure that all options for alternate routes are exhausted prior to a final decision being made. Also it has been raised by the local Ward Councillor that the Lime Kiln trail be considered as alternative route during an Enbridge Open House this past June, 2012, and he strongly disagrees with any work that will disrupt traffic on Richmond Road.

We will continue to work with Enbridge Gas to best coordinate design and construction plans between the proposed Ottawa Reinforcement project and the impending respective Richmond Road and Hope Side Road road improvements together with the issues outlined on Eagleson Road, West Hunt Club Road and future development on the north side of Hope Side Road.

Yours respectfully submitted,

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