

EB-2006-0103

IN THE MATTER OF the *Municipal Franchises Act,* R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55, as amended;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. for an order to establish a single Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for certain geographic areas now incorporated within the Township of Alfred and Plantagenet.

By delegation, before: Mark C. Garner

DECISION AND ORDER

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. ("Enbridge") filed an application dated May 12, 2006 with the Ontario Energy Board under the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55, as amended, for an order of the Board to establish a single Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("Certificate") for several former municipalities now incorporated within the Township of Alfred and Plantagenet (the "Municipality"). The Board has assigned file No. EB-2006-0103 to this application.

The Board's Notice of Application and Written Hearing was published June 30, 2006. There were no intervenors.

On January 1, 1997, the former Township of Alfred, the former Township of North Plantagenet, the former Village of Alfred and the former Village of Plantagenet amalgamated to form the Municipality.

Enbridge is presently serving the Municipality and has Certificates for the former Township of Alfred (FBC 191), the Township of North Plantagenet (FBC 197) and the Village of Alfred (FBC 201). The geographic area of the former Village of Plantagenet does not currently have natural gas service and Enbridge does not hold a Franchise Agreement or Certificate for that

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area. Enbridge has advised that it is not feasible for any other gas utility to provide service to this area because of the distances involved.

The Board finds that it is in the public interest to grant the application and that public convenience and necessity requires that approval be given.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- The existing Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity covering the former Township of Alfred (FBC 191), the Township of North Plantagenet (FBC 197) and the Village of Alfred (FBC 201) are cancelled.
- 2. A Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, attached as Appendix A, is granted to Enbridge to construct works to supply gas in the Township of Alfred and Plantagenet.

DATED at Toronto, August 9, 2006

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

APPENDIX A

TO BOARD DECISION AND ORDER

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DATED: August 9, 2006

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

for the

Township of Alfred and Plantagenet

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

The Ontario Energy Board hereby grants

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.

approval under section 8 of the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55, as amended, to construct works to supply gas to the

Township of Alfred and Plantagenet

This certificate replaces the certificates of the former municipalities of the Township of Alfred, the Township of North Plantagenet and the Village of Alfred that are now within the Township of Alfred and Plantagenet.

Dated at Toronto, August 9, 2006

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Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary