



EB-2006-0230

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 cancelling existing Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for certain geographic areas now incorporated within the Township of Whitewater Region and replacing these with a single Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Township of Whitewater Region.

By delegation, before: Mark C. Garner.

DECISION AND ORDER

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. ("Enbridge") filed an application dated September 18, 2006 with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") under the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55, as amended, for an order of the Board that cancels the existing Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for several former municipalities now incorporated within the Township of Whitewater Region (the "Municipality") and replaces these with a new Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the entire Municipality. The Board has assigned file number EB-2006-0230 to this application.

The Board's Notice of Application and Written Hearing was published on September 27, 2006. There were no intervenors.

Effective January 1, 2006, various municipalities were amalgamated to form the Municipality. Enbridge is presently serving portions of the Municipality and has Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for the former Village of Cobden (F.B.C. 133); the former Township of Westmeath (F.B.C. 179); and, the former Township of Ross (F.B.C. 146). Enbridge has never provided gas service to the former Village of Beachburg and is seeking the right to do so by this application.

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:

1. Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for the former the former Village of Cobden (F.B.C. 133); the former Township of Westmeath (F.B.C. 179); and, the former Township of Ross (F.B.C. 146) are cancelled.
2. A Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, attached as Appendix A, is granted to Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. to construct works to supply gas in the Township of Whitewater Region.

DATED at Toronto, October 10, 2006

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Peter H. O'Dell
Assistant Board Secretary

APPENDIX A

TO BOARD DECISION AND ORDER

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DATED: October 10, 2006

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

for the

Township of Whitewater Region

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 Whitewater Region

This certificate replaces the certificates of the former municipalities that are now within the Township of Whitewater Region

DATED at Toronto, October 10, 2006

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Peter H. O'Dell
Assistant Board Secretary