

**OEB Staff Interrogatories  
for  
Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.**

**1. References: Evidence, Letter dated December 17, 2014 to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) from Enbridge.**

**Preamble:**

In the letter from to the MNRF, which accompanied the application for the well drilling licences, Enbridge indicates that the wells will be located on a property owned by Enbridge. The need for the new Injection/Withdrawal (I/W) wells is, according to Enbridge, to replace the Wilkesport Designated Storage Area (DSA) deliverability that will be lost by Enbridge abandoning 5 I/W wells in the Wilkesport DSA. Out of the 5 wells to be abandoned, 2 have been abandoned in 2014 and 3 will be abandoned in 2015.

**Questions:**

- a. Please discuss if any other property other than Enbridge's will be affected by the drilling and operation of the two proposed wells.
- b. Please explain the timing of planned in-service date for the proposed wells and the timing of the abandonment of the 3 wells in 2015.

**2. References: Evidence, Letter dated December 17, 2014 to the MNRF from Enbridge.**

**Preamble:**

In the letter dated December 17, 2014, Enbridge invited the MNRF to contact them if any further information is required.

**Question:**

Please file and comment of any correspondence with the MNRF, in addition to the materials on the record to date, with regard to well drilling licence applications.

**3. Reference: Application and Evidence EB-2014-0378****Preamble:**

In the application and evidence Enbridge does not address potential environmental impacts of well drilling operations.

**Question:**

Please identify potential environmental impacts of well drilling operations and describe the mitigation and land restoration measures Enbridge plans to implement in relation to the proposed project.

**4. Reference: EB-2014-0378 Application****Preamble:**

Enbridge applied for well drilling licences under section 40(1) of the OEB Act. Should the OEB find the applications in the public interest it would issue a favourable report to the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry (Report) recommending issuance of well licences.

**Question:**

Please comment on the attached OEB staff proposed draft conditions of approval. Please note that these conditions are draft version subject to additions or changes.

**Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.**

**EB-2014-0378**

**OEB Staff Proposed Conditions of Approval  
Well Drilling Licences Application**

**1. General Requirements**

- 1.1. Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (Enbridge) shall rely on the evidence filed with the Board in EB-2014-0378 proceeding and comply with applicable laws, regulations and codes pertaining to the construction of the proposed wells.
- 1.2 Authorization for the issuance of the drilling licences is limited to twelve months from the date of the Board's Report to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

- 1.3 The authority granted under this Order to Enbridge is not transferable to another party without leave of the Board. For the purpose of this condition another party is any party except Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.

## **2. Construction Requirements**

- 2.1 Enbridge shall construct the facilities and restore the land in accordance with its Application and evidence given to the Board, except as modified by this Order and these Conditions of Approval.
- 2.2 Enbridge shall ensure that the movement of equipment is carried out in compliance with all procedures filed with the Board, and as follows:
- i) Enbridge shall make reasonable efforts to keep the affected landowner as well as adjacent landowners and their respective tenant farmers, or their designated representatives, informed of its plans and construction activities; and
  - ii) the installation of facilities and construction shall be coordinated so as to minimize disruption of agricultural land and agricultural activities.
- 2.3 Enbridge shall, subject to the recommendation by an independent tile contractor and subject to the landowners approval, construct upstream and downstream drainage headers adjacent to the drilling area and access roads that cross existing systematic drainage tiles, prior to the delivery of heavy equipment, so that continual drainage will be maintained.

## **3. Monitoring and Reporting Requirements**

- 3.1 Both during and after construction, Enbridge shall monitor the impacts of construction, and shall file four copies of both an interim and a final monitoring report with the Board. The interim monitoring report shall be filed within six months of the in-service date, and the final monitoring report shall be filed within fifteen months of the in-service date. Enbridge shall attach a log of all complaints to the interim and final monitoring reports. The log shall record the times of all complaints received, the substance of each complaint, the actions taken in response, and the reasons underlying such actions.
- 3.2. The interim monitoring report shall confirm Enbridge's adherence to Condition

1.1 and shall include a description of the impacts noted during construction and the actions taken or to be taken to prevent or mitigate the long-term effects of the impacts of construction. This report shall describe any outstanding concerns identified during construction.

- 3.3 The final monitoring report shall describe the condition of the rehabilitated land and the effectiveness of the mitigation measures undertaken. The results of the monitoring programs and analysis shall be included and recommendations made as appropriate. Any deficiency in compliance with any of the Conditions of Approval shall be explained.

**4. Project and Communication Requirements**

- 4.1 For the purposes of these conditions, conformity of Enbridge with CSA Z341-10, shall be to the satisfaction of the Ministry of Natural Resources.
- 4.2 Enbridge shall designate one of its employees as project manager who will be responsible for the fulfilment of these conditions, and shall provide the employee's name to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Board and to all appropriate landowners.
- 4.3 The Board's designated representative for the purpose of these Conditions of Approval shall be the Manager, Natural Gas Applications.