



**EB-2018-0207**

**Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.**

**Application for the renewal of the franchise agreement with,  
and certificate of public convenience and necessity for, the  
City of Port Colborne**

**INTERIM ORDER**

**July 31, 2018**

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (Enbridge Gas) filed an application on June 13, 2018 seeking an order renewing its municipal franchise agreement with, and granting a certificate of public convenience and necessity for, the City of Port Colborne.

On July 30, 2018, pending the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) final determination on the application, Enbridge Gas sought an interim order extending its franchise agreement with the City of Port Colborne (By-law 3665, dated August 17, 1998) past its expiry date of August 17, 2018.

The OEB accepts Enbridge Gas' request for an interim order. Pursuant to section 10(4) of the *Municipal Franchises Act*, the OEB hereby extends Enbridge Gas' franchise rights within the City of Port Colborne, until such time that the OEB makes a final determination on the application. This interim order is made without prejudice and should not be construed as predictive, in any way whatsoever, in regards to the OEB's final determination on the application.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

1. The municipal franchise agreement between Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. and the City of Port Colborne dated August 17, 1998 is continued until such time that the OEB makes a final determination on Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.'s application

dated June 13, 2018 (for approval of the franchise agreement with, and certificate of public convenience and necessity for, the City of Port Colborne).

**DATED** at Toronto, July 31, 2018

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

**By delegation, before: Pascale Duguay**

*Original signed by*

Pascale Duguay  
Manager, Application Policy and Climate Change