

July 30, 2019

Ms. Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity
Norfolk County, the County of Elgin and the County of Middlesex
Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2017-0108**

In its Procedural Order No. 11 issued on July 23, 2019, the Ontario Energy Board directed Enbridge Gas and EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership ("EPCOR") to submit a proposed in-service date and a cost assessment for serving 4130 Dorchester Road in the Municipality of Thames Centre within the County of Middlesex. The information provided is to include a description and schematic diagram of the infrastructure required to connect the customer to the distribution system including a bill of materials for any required main extension, service line and meter set. The information is also to include an annual bill calculation assuming an annual consumption of 2,200 m³ using rates currently in effect (as of July 1, 2019). Any final capital contribution required to provide natural gas service is also to be identified.

In their discussions with Enbridge Gas, the owners of the property at 4130 Dorchester Road have requested gas service by the end of September 2019 in order to be in place for the next heating season. Enbridge Gas will be able to connect the proposed service within 3 weeks of receiving approval from the OEB to proceed.

As is noted in their email correspondence to the OEB dated July 14, 2019, when Enbridge Gas was first approached to provide service (in February 2018), only Enbridge Gas had CPCN rights to provide service in this area. While EPCOR has a gas mainline running on the other side of Dorchester Road from the proposed service location, there is no record of EPCOR having any CPCN rights for installing that distribution pipeline.¹

In its Decision and Order dated October 11, 2018 in this proceeding, the Ontario Energy Board granted new CPCNs to Enbridge Gas and EPCOR for lower-tier municipalities within the County of Middlesex limited to the areas where each distributor currently serves. It is not clear that EPCOR has any customers in the area around the proposed service location, but there is a distribution pipeline.

¹ EPCOR does have a CPCN for serving certain parts of Thames Centre (E.B.C. 111 and 119, issued May 5, 1982) but not this specific area. EPCOR only has CPCN rights in specific lots within the former Township of North Dorchester and, prior to the October 11, 2018 Decision, had CPCN rights within rights-of-way under the jurisdiction of the County of Middlesex (E.B.C. 239, issued October 16, 1995). Dorchester Road south of Cromarty Drive (where 4130 Dorchester Road is located) is within the jurisdiction of the Municipality of Thames Centre.

The proposed service is located between two sections of Enbridge Gas' mainline system (see schematic below). Enbridge Gas operates gas mainlines along the same side of Dorchester Road to the north and to the south of the proposed service location. To provide the requested service, Enbridge Gas would extend its gas mainline with 384 meters of 2" plastic pipe and provide service to the customer with approximately 31 meters of ½" plastic pipe.



The materials required to extend Enbridge Gas' mainline are as follows:

ITEM NO.	STOCK NO.	QTY PROPOSED	SIZE	DESCRIPTION
PIPE				
1	120696	384	2	PIPE 2 PE COIL
FITTING				
2	119976	1	2 x ½	CAP 2 X ½ PE PURGE SOCKET
3	120064	1	2 x N/A	COUPLING 2 PE SOCKET
4	119992	1	½	CAP ½ PE SOCKET
5	143415	1		LINE MARKER WITH TEST POST

The materials required to provide the customer connection are as follows:

ITEM NO.	STOCK NO.	QTY PROPOSED	SIZE	DESCRIPTION
PIPE				
1	120675	31	½	PIPE ½ PE COIL
FITTING				
2	140132	1	2 x ½	STOP LOCK WING PLUG ¾ WITH
3	120436	1	¾ x ½	RISER ¾ X ½ C/W SHEAR
4	120043	2	½	COUPLING ½ PE SOCKET
5	120275	1		TEE 2 X 1 ¼ TAPPING PE 20.3
6	140122	1		8" OFFSET BRACKET EPOXY COATED
7	141224	1	½	LYALL EFV STICK ½

The meter set would be a 200 series meter with an AMCO 1813C regulator.

The total capital cost is \$14,243 + HST. Based on an illustrative annual consumption of 2,200 m³, the required capital contribution from the customer would be \$12,591 plus HST (total \$14,227.83) to achieve a profitability index of 1.0.²

The annual bill for this customer using 2,200 m³ would be \$744.27 + HST assuming the Rate M1 residential charges effective July 1, 2019 apply.³

Customer Charge	\$264.00
Delivery Commodity Charge	\$105.65
Storage Services	\$ 16.12
Gas Supply Charges	<u>\$358.50</u>
	\$744.27

² See attached Customer Contribution form forwarded to the homeowner on June 3, 2019. The capital contribution originally requested from the customer (\$12,677 + HST = \$14,325.01) was based on the actual expected annual consumption of 2,000 m³.

³ Federal Carbon Charges will impact the annual bill for a Rate M1 residential customer with annual consumption of 2,200 m³ by \$86.21 + HST effective August 1, 2019.

Should you have any questions on this submission, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

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Building Owner &/or Party to be Billed		Phone	
Service Address / 911 Address	Municipality	Postal Code	Lot & Conc.
Billing Address (if different than service address)			

Type of Customer Contribution:**Aid to Construction**

Customer Contribution required for natural gas main extension.

Excess Footage

Enbridge Gas Inc. operating as Union Gas ("Union Gas") will install a residential natural gas service up to 30 meters in length at no charge to the homeowner. This distance is measured from the gas meter to the property line, following the path the pipe takes through the ground and around any obstacles such as trees, septic beds, wells and other utilities. Union Gas will decide where the meter and service are installed and may not be able to take the shortest path. If the service is longer than 30 meters, excess length will be charged at a rate of \$45 + HST per metre of installed pipe. These charges will be applied to homeowner or occupant's Union Gas bill.

Comments: _____

In consideration of attaching to the distribution main owned and operated by Union Gas, I hereby agree to pay Union Gas as follows: ☐ **Payment Attached** ☐ **Pay Online** at UnionGas.com (Acct # AID _____)

Note: All cheques over \$5,000.00 must be certified by your financial institution.

Contribution Amount \$	Balance Outstanding (Financing) \$
Tax (HST Registration : R119465367) \$	
Total Price \$	

Financing Option: (residential only)

At your option, you may choose to pay the lump sum amount, or finance it monthly on your Union Gas bill at an interest rate of _____ percent annually. If you choose to finance the charge, you may pay the outstanding balance at any time by contacting the customer service number on your bill. Interest will be charged on overdue accounts. When moving, the unpaid balance will become due.

Balance is to be paid in _____ consecutive monthly installments of \$ _____. The first of such installments is payable upon completion.

Union Gas Representative:

Name: _____ Email: _____

It is agreed that the payment does not give the paying party any right or claim to any pipeline constructed hereunder. The ownership of the pipeline shall be and remain with Union Gas, which shall have the right to use the pipeline as it deems necessary.

The Union Gas account must be activated and natural gas in use, within one year of the gas main installation. If the Union Gas account has not been activated, or if natural gas is not in use at this time, Union Gas reserves the right to seek full and immediate cost recovery for the first 30 metres of the service installation, in addition to the costs of the main extension and the costs of any excess footage charges that apply.

Customer:

Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Email completed form to: _____

For Internal Use Only

Project Number:	CARS Reference Number:
Account Number:	Payment Code:
Processed by:	Date: