# **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE**

Enbridge Gas Inc. has applied for approval to construct natural gas pipelines in the City of Markham, Regional Municipality of York, for the purposes of a pilot project involving the distribution of blended natural gas composed of methane with up to 2% hydrogen by volume to approximately 3600 existing customers.

# Learn more. Have your say.

If the application is approved, the project would involve the construction of approximately 755 metres of natural gas pipelines and ancillary facilities in Markham, Ontario. The proposed pipelines are needed to isolate a small portion of Enbridge Gas Inc.'s existing distribution system. When combusted, the blended natural gas will produce lower greenhouse gas emissions relative to traditional natural gas.

The energy density of the blended natural gas is lower than traditional natural gas, meaning that the volumetric consumption of customers in the isolated area will increase. Enbridge Gas Inc. is asking the Ontario Energy Board for approval to refund to affected customers the extra cost associated with consuming the blended gas. Enbridge Gas estimates an annual credit to affected customers of approximately \$10 per year.

# A map of the proposed project is to the right.

# THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) will hold a public hearing to consider Enbridge Gas' application. During the hearing, which could be an oral or written hearing, we will question Enbridge Gas on the case. We will also hear questions and arguments from individual consumers, municipalities and others whose interests would be affected. At the end of this hearing, the OEB will decide whether to approve the application.

As part of its review of this application, the OEB will assess Enbridge Gas' compliance with the OEB's Environmental Guidelines for the Location, Construction and Operation of Hydrocarbon Pipelines and Facilities in Ontario.

The OEB will also assess whether the duty to consult with Indigenous Communities potentially affected by the proposed pipeline has been discharged with respect to the application.

The OEB is an independent and impartial public agency. We make decisions that serve the public interest. Our goal is to promote a financially viable and efficient energy sector that provides you with reliable energy services at a reasonable cost.

## BE INFORMED AND HAVE YOUR SAY

You have the right to information regarding this application and to be involved in the process.

- You can review the application filed by Enbridge Gas' on the OEB's website now
- You can file a letter with your comments, which will be considered during the hearing
- You can become an intervenor. As an intervenor you can ask questions about Enbridge Gas' application and make arguments on whether the OEB should approve Enbridge Gas' request. Apply by May 11, 2020 or the hearing will go ahead without you and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding
- At the end of the process, you can review the OEB's decision and its reasons on our website

#### **LEARN MORE**

Our file number for this case is **EB-2019-0294**. To learn more about this hearing, find instructions on how to file a letter with your comments or become an intervenor, or to access any document related to this case, please select the file number **EB-2019-0294** from the list on the OEB website: **www.oeb.ca/noticeltc.** You can also phone our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

## **ORAL VS. WRITTEN HEARINGS**

There are two types of OEB hearings – oral and written. Enbridge Gas has applied for a written hearing. The OEB is considering this request. If you think an oral hearing is needed, you can write to the OEB to explain why by **May 11, 2020.** 

### **PRIVACY**

If you write a letter of comment, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the public record and the OEB website. However, your personal telephone number, home address and email address will be removed. If you are a business, all your information will remain public. If you apply to become an intervenor, all information will be public.

This hearing will be held under section 90(1), 97 and 36 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule B.

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