

## ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15 (Sched. B), as amended (the “OEB Act”);

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an application by Enbridge Gas Inc. under section 90 of the OEB Act for an order or orders granting leave to construct natural gas distribution pipelines and ancillary facilities in the City of Toronto.

### **LEAVE TO CONSTRUCT** **APPLICATION: NPS 20 REPLACEMENT CHERRY TO BATHURST**

1. The Applicant, Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas), is an Ontario corporation with its head office in the City of Toronto. It carries on the business of selling, distributing, transmitting and storing natural gas within the province of Ontario.
2. Enbridge Gas has identified the need to replace a 4.3 km segment of Nominal Pipe Size (NPS) 20 inch High Pressure (HP) steel (ST) natural gas main on Lake Shore Boulevard from Cherry Street to Bathurst Street and a 230 m section on Parliament Street from Mill Street to Lake Shore Boulevard East (C2B or the Project) in the City of Toronto, Ontario. The pipeline to be replaced forms a part of Enbridge Gas’s distribution system known as the Kipling Oshawa Loop (KOL). Details about the purpose, need and timing for the Project can be found at Exhibit B, Tab 1, Schedule 1. /U
3. The pipeline to be replaced by the Project is located in the densely populated urban area of downtown Toronto. It supplies natural gas to a large population of residential, apartment, commercial and industrial customers. It is a critical distribution main that supplies natural gas to a diverse mix of customers in the downtown core and provides an important link between natural gas supply from the Lisgar Gate Station to the west of Toronto and Station B Feeder Station in Toronto. /U

4. The Project consists of the installation of approximately 4.3 km of NPS 20 HP ST natural gas pipeline from the intersection of Cherry Street and Lake Shore Boulevard where it will tie-in to an existing natural gas pipeline. From there it travels west along Lake Shore Boulevard to Remembrance Drive (west of Bathurst Street) where it will tie-in to an existing natural gas pipeline. The Project also requires the construction of a tie-in lateral (the North Tie-In Lateral) which commences at the intersection of Mill Street and Parliament Street. At that intersection the North Tie-in Lateral will tie-in to an existing natural gas pipeline. From there the North Tie-in Lateral travels approximately 230 m south along Parliament Street to Lake Shore Boulevard where it will tie-in to the facilities to be constructed along Lake Shore Boulevard. /U
5. This Application is made to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB, or the Board) pursuant to section 90 of the OEB Act for an Order granting leave to construct the Project. Details on Project costs are shown in Exhibit D, Tab 1, Schedule 1 in the pre-filed evidence. /U
6. Exhibit C, Tab 1, Schedule 1, Page 7 provides a map showing the general location of the Project Facilities and the municipalities, and highways through, under, over, upon or across which the pipelines will pass.
7. The route and location for the Project were selected by an independent environmental consultant (Dillon Consulting Ltd.), through the process outlined in the Board's *Environmental Guidelines for the Location, Construction, and Operation of Hydrocarbon Pipelines in Ontario (7th Edition, 2016)* (the Guidelines). Details on the route selection and the Environmental and Socio-Economic Impact Assessment (ER) of the proposed facilities are included at Exhibit C, Tab 1, Schedule 1 of the pre-filed evidence. Information on indigenous consultations and Duty to Consult activities can be found at Exhibit F, Tab 1, Schedule 1 of the pre-filed evidence.

8. Enbridge Gas also applies to the Board pursuant to Section 97 of the Act for an Order approving the Form of Temporary Land Use Agreement which can be found in the prefiled evidence at Exhibit E, Tab 1, Schedule 1, Attachment 1.
9. With leave of the Board, Enbridge Gas expects to commence construction of the Project in the second quarter of 2021. In order to meet Project timelines, Enbridge Gas respectfully requests the approval of this Application as soon as possible or not later than February 2021. Exhibit D, Tab 1, Schedule 1 provides the proposed construction schedule.
10. The parties affected by this Application are the owners of lands, government agencies and municipalities over which the pipeline will be constructed, and Enbridge Gas's distribution customers with respect to quality of service and security of supply. It is impractical to set out in this Application the names and addresses of such persons because they are too numerous.
11. A list of permitting authorities is provided at Exhibit E, Tab 1, Schedule 1.
12. Enbridge Gas requests that this Application proceed by way of written hearing in English.
13. Enbridge Gas therefore requests, on the basis set out above, that the Board make the following orders:
  - (i) an Order pursuant to section 90 of the OEB Act granting leave to construct the LCEP Facilities;
  - (ii) an Order pursuant to section 97 of the OEB Act approving the proposed form of easement agreements;
  - (iii) such additional Orders as Enbridge Gas may request and the Board approves.

Enbridge Gas requests that copies of all documents filed with the Board in connection with this proceeding be served on it and on its counsel, as follows:

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