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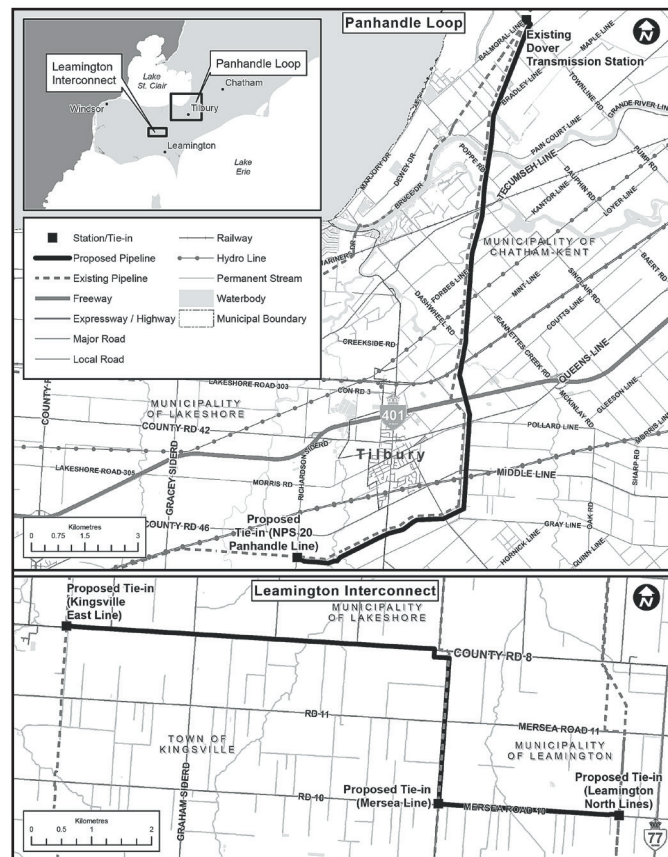
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Enbridge Gas Inc. has applied to the Ontario Energy Board for approval to construct two pipelines and associated ancillary facilities, which are collectively referred to as the **Panhandle Regional Expansion Project**. The first pipeline, called the **Panhandle Loop**, involves the construction of approximately 19 kilometres of 36-inch diameter steel pipeline that will originate at Enbridge Gas Inc.'s existing Dover Transmission Station in the Municipality of Chatham Kent and tie in to an existing pipeline at a new valve site station, in the Municipality of Lakeshore. Enbridge Gas Inc. proposes to start construction of the Panhandle Loop in the first quarter of 2023 and to place the pipeline in-service by November 2023. The second pipeline, called the **Leamington Interconnect**, involves the construction of approximately 12 kilometres of 16-inch steel pipeline and valve site station facilities in the Municipality of Lakeshore, the Town of Kingsville and the Municipality of Leamington. Enbridge Gas Inc. proposes to start construction of the Leamington Interconnect in the second quarter of 2024 and to place the project in-service by November 2024.

Enbridge Gas Inc. says that the Panhandle Regional Expansion Project is needed to add capacity to the Panhandle Transmission System which transports natural gas between Enbridge Gas Inc.'s Dawn Compressor Station, located in the Township of Dawn-Euphemia, and the Ojibway Valve Site, located in the City of Windsor. Enbridge Gas Inc. estimates the cost of both phases of the project to be \$314.4 million and says that it will seek approval to recover the cost from ratepayers in a future rate application.

Enbridge Gas Inc. is also asking the Ontario Energy Board to approve the form of agreement it offers to landowners to use their land for routing or construction of the proposed pipelines.

The location of the proposed pipelines is shown in the map.



THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) will hold a public hearing to consider Enbridge Gas's 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's 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 pipelines has been discharged with respect to the application.

More information on the types of issues that the OEB may consider are provided on the OEB's website in the form of a standard issues list: <https://www.oeb.ca/sites/default/files/issues-list-LTC-natural-gas.pdf>

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 find information on the OEB's website at www.oeb.ca/participate
- You can find information on the **duty to consult with Indigenous peoples** on the OEB's website at www.oeb.ca/industry/applications-oeb/consultation-indigenous-peoples
- 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's application and make arguments on whether the OEB should approve Enbridge Gas's request. Apply by **July 25, 2022** 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-2022-0157**. 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-2022-0157** from the www.oeb.ca/noticeltc on the OEB website. You can also phone our Public Information Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

ORAL VS. WRITTEN HEARINGS

There are two types of OEB hearings – oral and written. The OEB intends to proceed by way of a written hearing in this case. If you think an oral hearing is needed, you can write to the OEB to explain why by **July 25, 2022**.

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) and 97 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15, Schedule B.

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