



Enbridge Gas Inc.
50 Keil Drive North
Chatham, Ontario, Canada
N7M 5M1

August 31, 2022

Ms. Nancy Marconi
Registrar
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Marconi:

**Re: Enbridge Gas Inc.
Application for Renewal of Franchise Agreement
Regional Municipality of Halton**

Attached is an Application by Enbridge Gas Inc. for Orders of the Ontario Energy Board with respect to a Franchise Agreement with the Regional Municipality of Halton. An agreement has been reached between Enbridge Gas Inc. and the Regional Municipality of Halton with regards to the terms and conditions of the proposed Franchise Agreement.

Should you have any questions on this application, please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to the receipt of your instructions.

Yours truly,

Patrick McMahon
Technical Manager
Regulatory Research and Records
patrick.mcmahon@enbridge.com
(519) 436-5325

Encl.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.M.55, as amended;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Enbridge Gas Inc. for an Order approving the terms and conditions upon which, and the period for which, the Corporation of the Regional Municipality of Halton is, by by-law, to grant to Enbridge Gas Inc. the right to construct and operate works for the distribution, transmission and storage of natural gas and the right to extend and add to the works in the Regional Municipality of Halton;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Enbridge Gas Inc. for an Order directing and declaring that the assent of the municipal electors of the Regional Municipality of Halton to the by-law is not necessary.

APPLICATION

1. Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas), a regulated public utility, is a corporation incorporated under the laws of the Province of Ontario, with its offices in the City of Toronto and the Municipality of Chatham-Kent.
2. The Corporation of the Regional Municipality of Halton (Municipality) is a municipal corporation incorporated under the laws of the Province of Ontario. Attached hereto and marked as Schedule "A" is a map showing the geographical location of the Municipality and a customer density representation of Enbridge Gas' service area. Enbridge Gas currently serves approximately 183,530 customers within the Municipality.
3. The Regional Municipality of Halton encompasses the City of Burlington, the Town of Halton Hills, the Town of Milton and the Town of Oakville. Enbridge Gas has Franchise Agreements with and Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for each of the municipalities within the Regional Municipality of Halton. Enbridge Gas and its predecessors have been providing access to gas distribution services within the Regional Municipality of Halton since approximately 1928.
4. Enbridge Gas has Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Regional Municipality of Halton (FBC 192) dated January 8, 1958 and (EBC 32) dated June 10, 1965, which are attached as Schedules "B1" and "B2".
5. Enbridge Gas applied to the Council of the Municipality for a franchise agreement permitting Enbridge Gas to construct and operate works for the distribution, transmission and storage of natural gas and the right to extend and add to the works in the Regional Municipality of Halton.

6. On July 13, 2022, the Council of the Municipality gave approval to the form of a Franchise Agreement in favour of Enbridge Gas and authorized Enbridge Gas to apply to the Ontario Energy Board for approval of the terms and conditions upon which and the period for which the franchise agreement is proposed to be granted.
7. Attached hereto as Schedule "C" is a copy of the Resolution of the Council of the Municipality approving the form of the draft by-law and franchise agreement, authorizing this submission to the Ontario Energy Board, and requesting an Order declaring and directing that the assent of the municipal electors to the by-law and franchise agreement is not necessary.
8. Attached hereto as Schedule "D" is a copy of By-law 43-22 and the proposed franchise agreement. The Regional Municipality of Halton has read and passed its by-law.
9. Enbridge Gas has franchise agreements with and Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity for the City of Brampton, the Town of Caledon, the Town of Erin, the Township of Guelph/Eramosa, the City of Hamilton, the City of Mississauga, and the Township of Puslinch which are immediately adjacent to the Municipality. There is no other natural gas distributor in the area.
10. The proposed franchise agreement is in the form of the 2000 Model Franchise Agreement with no amendments and is for a term of twenty (20) years.
11. The address of the Municipality is as follows:

Regional Municipality of Halton
1151 Bronte Road
Oakville, ON L6M 3L1
Attention: Graham Milne, Regional Clerk
Telephone: (866) 442-5866
Email: regionalclerk@halton.ca

The address for Enbridge Gas' regional operations office is:

Enbridge Gas Inc.
6 Colony Crescent
Brampton, ON L6T 4E4
Attention: Mark Maxwell, Director, GTA West Operations
Telephone: (905) 458-2154
Email: mark.maxwell@enbridge.com

12. The newspapers having the highest circulation in the Regional Municipality of Halton are the *Burlington Post*, the *Milton Canadian Champion* and the *Independent and Free Press*. These are the newspapers used by the Municipality for its notices.
13. Enbridge Gas now applies to the Ontario Energy Board for:
 - (a) an Order under s.9(3) approving the terms and conditions upon which, and the period for which, the Regional Municipality of Halton is, by by-law, to grant Enbridge Gas the right to construct and operate works for the distribution, transmission and storage of natural gas and the right to extend and add to the works; and
 - (b) an Order pursuant to s.9(4) directing and declaring that the assent of the municipal electors of the Regional Municipality of Halton is not necessary for the proposed franchise agreement by-law under the circumstances.

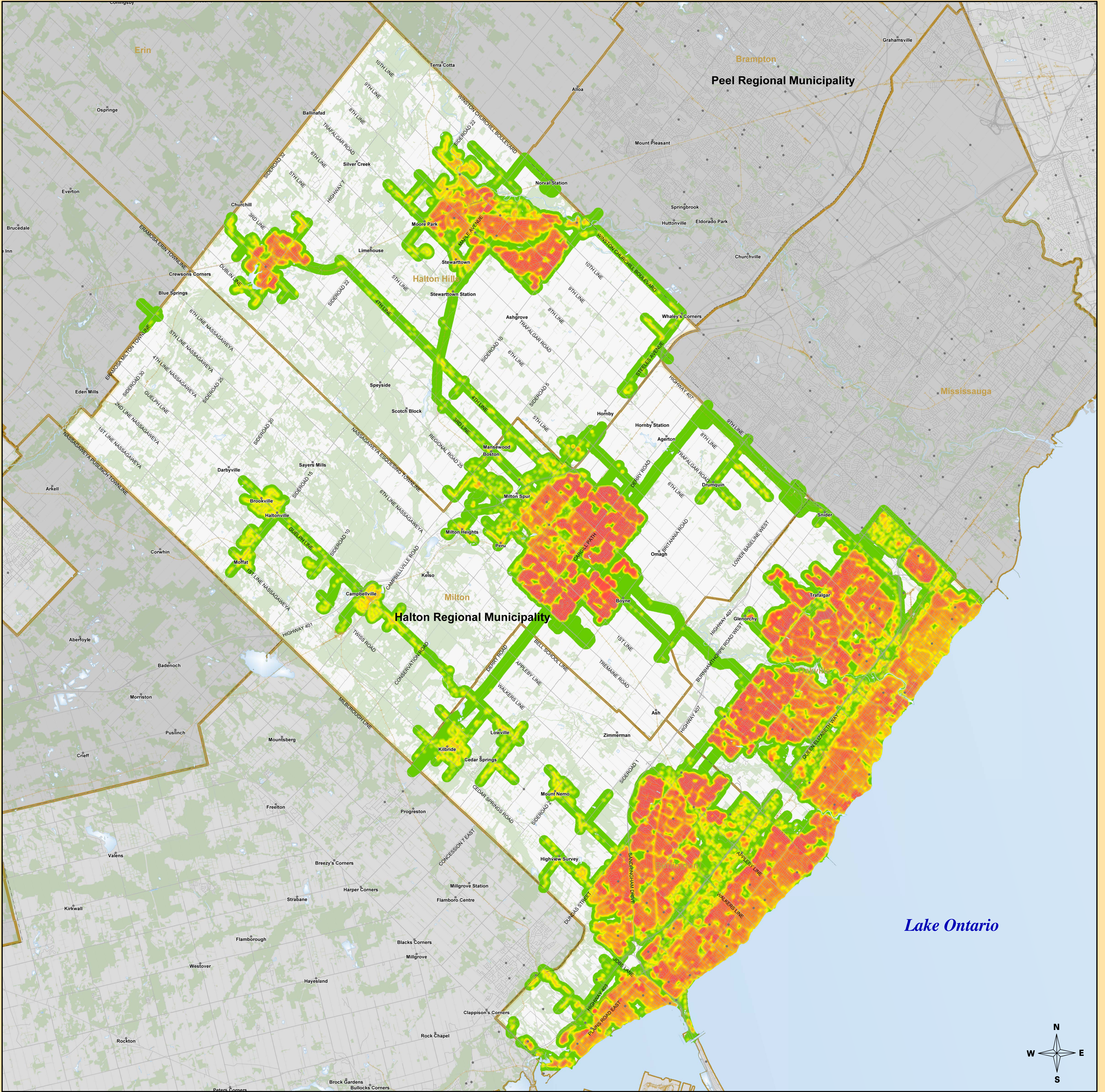
DATED at the Municipality of Chatham-Kent, in the Province of Ontario this 31st day of August, 2022.

ENBRIDGE GAS INC.

Patrick McMahon
Technical Manager
Regulatory Research and Records

Comments respecting this Application should be directed to:

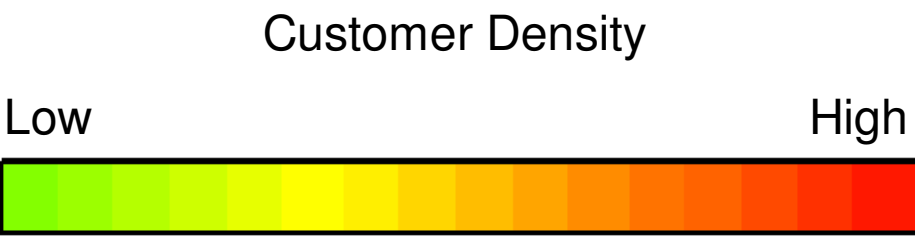
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Regional Municipality of Halton

Legend

- Enbridge Gas Pipeline Coverage Area
- Regional Municipality of Halton
- Roads
- Railways
- Municipal and Township Boundaries
- First Nation Boundaries



Disclaimer:
The map is provided with no warranty express or Implied and is subject to change at any time. Any Person using the Density Map shall do so at its own Risk and the Density Map is not intended in any way As a tool to locate underground infrastructure for the purposes of excavation



Halton

F.B.C. 192

ONTARIO FUEL BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF The Municipal Franchises
Act, Chapter 249, R.S.O. 1950 Section 8
as amended, and

IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Ontario
Natural Gas Storage and Pipelines Limited
to the Ontario Fuel Board for approval of
the Board to construct works to supply
and/or to supply gas in the under-mentioned
municipalities

The Corporation of the County of Essex
The Corporation of the County of Kent
The Corporation of the County of Lambton
The Corporation of the County of Middlesex
The Corporation of the County of Perth
The Corporation of the County of Waterloo
The Corporation of the County of Wellington
The Corporation of the County of Wentworth
The Corporation of the County of Halton
The Corporation of the Town of Ojibway
The Corporation of the Township of Sandwich West
The Corporation of the Township of Sandwich East
The Corporation of the Township of Maidstone
The Corporation of the Township of Rochester
The Corporation of the Township of Tilbury North
The Corporation of the Township of Dover
The Corporation of the Township of Chatham
The Corporation of the Township of Sombra
The Corporation of the Township of Dawn
The Corporation of the Township of Caradoc
The Corporation of the Township of London
The Corporation of the Township of Westminster
The Corporation of the Township of Blanshard
The Corporation of the Township of Downie
The Corporation of the Township of North Dumfries
The Corporation of the Township of Waterloo
The Corporation of the Township of Guelph
The Corporation of the Township of West Flamborough
The Corporation of the Township of Trafalgar

B E F O R E:

A. R. Crozier, Chairman, and	}	Monday, the 6th day
W. R. Howard, Commissioner		of January, 1958.

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

UPON the Application of Ontario Natural Gas Storage and Pipelines Limited for approval of the Ontario Fuel Board to construct works to supply and to supply gas to any person engaged in the transmission and/or distribution of gas in each or any of the municipalities referred to in the style of cause in this Application pursuant to Section 8 of The Municipal Franchises Act, R.S.O. 1950, Chapter 249, as amended; upon the hearing of such Application by the Board at its Offices, 4 Richmond Street, East, in the City of Toronto and Province of Ontario on the 6th day of January, 1958, after due Notice of such Hearing had been given as directed by the Board; in the presence of

Counsel for the Applicant and in the presence of F. R. Palin, Esquire, C.A., Assistant General Manager of and for the Applicant, Sheppard McCallum, Esquire, Reeve of the Township of Sombra, Norman Wilson and Byron Young, President and Secretary respectively of Lambton Gas Storage Association; upon hearing the evidence adduced, the exhibits filed and Counsel aforesaid;

THIS BOARD DOTH CERTIFY, pursuant to Section 8 of The Municipal Franchises Act, R.S.O. 1950, Chapter 249, as amended, that Public Convenience and Necessity appear to require that approval of the Ontario Fuel Board shall be and the same is hereby given to Ontario Natural Gas Storage and Pipelines Limited to construct works to supply and to supply gas to any person engaged in the transmission and/or distribution of gas in all or any of the following municipalities, namely:-

County of Essex	Township of Tilbury North
County of Kent	Township of Dover
County of Lambton	Township of Chatham
County of Middlesex	Township of Sombra
County of Perth	Township of Dawn
County of Waterloo	Township of Caradoc
County of Wellington	Township of London
County of Wentworth	Township of Westminster
County of Halton	Township of Blanshard
Town of Ojibway	Township of Downie
Township of Sandwich West	Township of North Dumfries
Township of Sandwich East	Township of Waterloo
Township of Maidstone	Township of Guelph
Township of Rochester	Township of West Flamborough
	Township of Trafalgar.

AND THIS BOARD DOTH further Order and Direct that the costs of this Application fixed at the sum of \$145.00 shall be paid forthwith by the Applicant to the Board.

DATED at Toronto, Ontario, this 8th day of January, 1958.

ONTARIO FUEL BOARD

"A. R. Crozier"
Chairman

"W. R. Howard"
Commissioner

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF The Municipal Franchises Act, R.S.O. 1960, Chapter 255 and in particular Section 8 thereof;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Union Gas Company of Canada, Limited to the Ontario Energy Board for approval of the said Board to construct works to supply or supply natural gas in the undermentioned Municipalities.

BEFORE:

A. R. Crozier, Esquire,)	Wednesday, the 26th day of May,
Chairman,)	
and)	A.D. 1965.
)	
D. M. Treadgold, Esquire,)	
Member.)	

BETWEEN:

UNION GAS COMPANY OF CANADA, LIMITED,

AND

THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF GREY,
 THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF HALTON,
 THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF HURON,
 THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF WELLINGTON,
 THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF BURLINGTON,
 THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF OAKVILLE,
 THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BEVERLY,
 THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLENHEIM,
 THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST FLAMBOROUGH,
 THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST MISSOURI,
 THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST ZORRA,
 THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST FLAMBOROUGH,
 THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ZORRA,
 THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLANDFORD.

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O R D E R

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Upon the Application of Union Gas Company of Canada, Limited, (hereinafter referred to as "Union"), dated the 29th day of March, 1965 for approval of the Board pursuant to Section 8 of The Municipal Franchises Act, R.S.O. 1960, Chapter 255, to construct works to supply and to supply gas in each of the above-named Municipalities; upon proof being filed that copies of the said Application had been duly served as directed by the Board and that copies of the Notice of Hearing were duly served and published as directed by the Board and this matter coming on for hearing before the Board at the Waterloo City Council Chambers in the City of Waterloo and County of Waterloo the 26th day of May, 1965 in the presence of Counsel for Union and no one else appearing; upon hearing the evidence adduced and reading the

Exhibits filed and upon hearing Counsel aforesaid and the request of Union that with respect to the County of Halton, the Towns of Burlington and Oakville and the Townships of Beverly, Blandford, East Flamborough, East Nissouri, East Zorra, West Flamborough and West Zorra such approval be limited to the right to construct works to supply and to supply gas to any person engaged in the transmission and/or distribution of gas while with respect to the Counties of Grey, Huron and Wellington and the Township of Blenheim, such approval be without restriction and, the said Application being unopposed, upon request of Counsel aforesaid that the Board might deliver its Decision without written Reasons, this Board was pleased then to deliver its Decision granting the Application with the limitation aforesaid and providing for the issuance of this Order:

1. THIS BOARD DOTH ORDER that a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity be and the same is hereby granted to Union Gas Company of Canada, Limited to construct works to supply and to supply gas in the County of Halton, in the Towns of Burlington and Oakville and in the Townships of Beverly, Blandford, East Flamborough, East Nissouri, East Zorra, West Flamborough and West Zorra to any person engaged in the transmission and/or distribution of gas;

2. THIS BOARD DOTH FURTHER ORDER that a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity be and the same is hereby granted to Union Gas Company of Canada, Limited to construct works to supply and to supply gas in the Counties of Grey, Huron and Wellington and in the Township of Blenheim;

3. AND THIS BOARD DOTH FURTHER ORDER that the costs of these proceedings hereby fixed at the sum of \$150.00 shall be paid forthwith by Union Gas Company of Canada, Limited to the Board.

DATED at Toronto, Ontario, this 10th day of June, 1965.

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

"A. B. JACKSON"

Acting Secretary

(SEAL)

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF The Municipal Franchises Act, R.S.O. 1960, Chapter 255 and in particular Section 8 thereof;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Union Gas Company of Canada, Limited to the Ontario Energy Board for approval of the said Board to construct works to supply or supply natural gas in the undermentioned Municipalities.

BETWEEN:

UNION GAS COMPANY OF CANADA,
LIMITED

AND

THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF
GREY, ET AL

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O R D E R

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McNevin, Gee & O'Connor,
Barristers, etc.,
43 William St. N.,
CHATHAM, Ontario.



The Regional Municipality of Halton

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS APPROVED BY REGIONAL COUNCIL AT ITS MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 2022.

1. THAT Regional Council approve the form of the draft by-law and the 2000 Model Franchise Agreement between the Regional Municipality of Halton and Enbridge Gas Ltd ("Enbridge") attached to Report No. PW-24-22 and that these be submitted to the Ontario Energy Board for approval pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Franchises Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55.
2. THAT Regional Council request the Ontario Energy Board to issue an Order declaring and directing that the assent of the municipal electors to the attached By-law and 2000 Model Franchise Agreement pertaining to The Regional Municipality of Halton is not necessary pursuant to the Municipal Franchises Act.
3. THAT the Regional Chair and Regional Clerk be authorized to execute any and all agreements and ancillary documents relating to the model franchise agreement, attached to Report No. PW-24-22 following receipt of the necessary approval by the Ontario Energy Board, and that once Ontario Energy Approval is received, the by-law be placed on Regional Council agenda for enactment.

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CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY
REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON
[Original Signed By]
GRAHAM MILNE
REGIONAL CLERK

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON

BY-LAW NO. 43-22

A BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON AT ITS MEETING HELD ON THE 13TH DAY OF JULY, 2022.

WHEREAS pursuant to Subsection 5(3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, a municipal power shall be exercised by by-law, except where otherwise provided;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient that the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of The Regional Municipality of Halton (hereinafter Regional Council) at this meeting be confirmed and adopted by by-law.

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT the proceedings and actions of Regional Council as embodied in the Reports, Motions, and other actions set out in Schedule "A" hereto are hereby adopted and confirmed as if each such proceeding and action were expressly adopted and confirmed by by-law.
2. THAT, subject to Section 3 hereof, the Regional Chair and proper officials of the Corporation of The Regional Municipality of Halton (hereinafter the Regional Corporation) are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the proceedings and actions of Regional Council referred to in the preceding section hereof.
3. THAT, where any proceeding and/or action requires additional approvals to that of Regional Council before any particular thing or things can be done in order to give full effect to same, the Regional Chair and proper officials of the Regional Corporation before doing any such particular thing or things under the authorization of Section 2 hereof, shall seek and obtain the necessary additional approvals and are hereby authorized to do so.

CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY
REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON
[Original Signed By]

GRAHAM MILNE
REGIONAL CLERK

4. THAT those Members of Regional Council as set out under "B" Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest in Schedule "A" hereto, have declared a pecuniary interest and have refrained from both discussion and voting with respect to those items more particularly described and from both discussion and voting on this confirmatory By-law as it relates to the confirmation of the proceedings and actions on those items.

READ and PASSED this 13th day of July, 2022.

[Original Signed By Gary Carr]

REGIONAL CHAIR

[Original Signed By Graham Milne]

REGIONAL CLERK

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON

BY-LAW NO. 43-22 - SCHEDULE "A"

A.	<u>CONSIDERATION OF ISSUE</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
	MO-09-22 - Update on COVID-19 Public Health Recovery	AS PRESENTED
	MO-11-22 - Immunization Program Update	AS PRESENTED
	SS-15-22 - Services for Seniors Annual Performance & Quality Report 2021	AS PRESENTED
	SS-16-22 - The Halton Youth Impact Survey	AS PRESENTED
	MO-10-22 - Oral Health Update	AS PRESENTED
	SS-10-22 - Victoria Park Community Homes Inc. Consent under the <i>Housing Services Act</i> , 2011	AS PRESENTED
	SS-11-22 - Comprehensive Housing Strategy Update: 2014-2024 Annual Progress Report and Senior Government Funding Update	AS PRESENTED
	SS-12-22 - Early Learning and Child Care Update	AS PRESENTED
	SS-17-22 - Improving Acquisition and Distribution in Halton's Food Security Sector	AS PRESENTED
	SS-19-22 - Update – Employment Services Transformation – Announcement of Service System Managers	AS PRESENTED
	SS-21-22 - Building Safer Communities Fund (BSCF) in 2022 – 2026	AS PRESENTED
	PW-29-22 - 2021 Transportation Progress Report	AS PRESENTED
	LPS51-22 - Halton Tree By-Law and Woodlands Stewardship Program – 2021 Annual Report	AS PRESENTED
	LPS58-22 - 2021 Employment Survey Results	AS PRESENTED
	LPS59-22 - 2021 State of Housing Report	AS PRESENTED

LPS63-22 - 2021 Census Population & Dwelling Counts for Halton	AS PRESENTED
PW-12-22 - Red Light Camera Program Updates	AS PRESENTED
PW-24-22 - Municipal Franchise Agreement with Enbridge	AS PRESENTED
PW-25-22 - Tender Award - Oakville Water Treatment Plant Raw Water Intake Chemical Service Pipe Replacement, Town of Oakville	AS PRESENTED
PW-26-22 - Tender Award – McGeachie Drive and Harrop Drive Watermain and Wastewater Main Replacement, Ward 2, Town of Milton	AS PRESENTED
PW-28-22 - Amendments to the Uniform Traffic Control By-law No. 1984-1	AS PRESENTED
LPS62-22 - Regional Initiatives - Provincial Streamline Development Approval Fund	AS PRESENTED
PW-27-22/LPS66-22 - Trafalgar Road and Eighth Line Wastewater Main, S3126B – Milton P4 and Agerton Developer Group Service Connections	AS PRESENTED
FN-24-22 - Investment Performance to April 30, 2022	AS PRESENTED
FN-25-22 - Operating Budget Variance Report for the Period ending April 30, 2022	AS PRESENTED
FN-27-22 - Purchasing Activity Report for January 1, 2022 to April 30, 2022	AS PRESENTED
FN-26-22 - 2023 Budget Directions	AS PRESENTED
FN-20-22 - Connection Charges By-law Update	AS PRESENTED
FN-28-22 - Optional Small Business Property Tax Subclass in Halton Region	AS PRESENTED
FN-14-22 - Optional Small Business Property Tax Subclass in Halton Region	AS AMENDED
DI-02-22/LPS69-22 - Halton Digital Access Strategy Implementation Plan	AS PRESENTED

DI-07-22 - Single Source Procurement of AS PRESENTED
PointClickCare Subscription Renewal

LPS57-22 - Declaration of Lands Surplus to AS PRESENTED
Regional Requirements, Town of Halton Hills, 8010
Tenth Line (PIN:25026-0245 (LT))

CA-05-22 - Halton Region Strategic Plan 2019-2022 AS PRESENTED
Report

FN-23-22 - Appointment of External Auditor AS PRESENTED

SS-13-22/LPS68-22 - Property Matter, City of AS PRESENTED
Burlington (CONFIDENTIAL)

SS-18-22/LPS67-22 - Property Matter – Town of AS PRESENTED
Milton (CONFIDENTIAL)

DI-05-22 - Regional Accommodation Plan – AS PRESENTED
Ongoing Impacts of Site and Market Conditions
(CONFIDENTIAL)

DI-08-22 - Technology Procurement AS PRESENTED
(CONFIDENTIAL)

LPS53-22 - Property Matter – Town of Oakville AS PRESENTED
(R3303A) (CONFIDENTIAL)

LPS55-22 - Property Matter, City of Burlington and AS PRESENTED
Town of Milton (R2889A) (CONFIDENTIAL)

LPS64-22 - Property Matter – Town of Halton Hills AS PRESENTED
(R2960) (CONFIDENTIAL)

LPS70-22 - CUPE Local 3732 (Social Services) AS PRESENTED
Collective Bargaining Settlement (CONFIDENTIAL)

B. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Lisa Kearns declared a pecuniary interest on Report No. SS-17-22 - Improving Acquisition and Distribution in Halton's Food Security Sector, as she is a member of the Board of Directors of one of the parties involved in the report.

C. MOTIONS

None

Report To:	Regional Chair and Members of Regional Council
From:	Andrew Farr, Commissioner, Public Works
Date:	July 13, 2022
Report No:	PW-24-22
Re:	Municipal Franchise Agreement with Enbridge

RECOMMENDATION

1. THAT Regional Council approve the form of the draft by-law and the 2000 Model Franchise Agreement between the Regional Municipality of Halton and Enbridge Gas Ltd ("Enbridge") attached to Report No. PW-24-22 and that these be submitted to the Ontario Energy Board for approval pursuant to the provisions of the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55.
2. THAT Regional Council request the Ontario Energy Board to issue an Order declaring and directing that the assent of the municipal electors to the attached By-law and 2000 Model Franchise Agreement pertaining to The Regional Municipality of Halton is not necessary pursuant to the *Municipal Franchises Act*.
3. THAT the Regional Chair and Regional Clerk be authorized to execute any and all agreements and ancillary documents relating to the model franchise agreement, attached to Report No. PW-24-22 following receipt of the necessary approval by the Ontario Energy Board, and that once Ontario Energy Approval is received, the by-law be placed on Regional Council agenda for enactment.

REPORT

Executive Summary

- The present municipal franchise agreement between Halton Region and Union Gas Limited (now Enbridge Gas Ltd.) was executed on June 25, 2003 with a twenty-year term (the "2003 Franchise Agreement").
- Enbridge has contacted Halton Region to commence the process of executing a new municipal franchise agreement. This process requires that Regional Council pass a resolution approving the form of a draft by-law and the municipal franchise

agreement and requesting that the Ontario Energy Board issue an Order declaring and directing that the assent of the municipal electors to the draft by-law and agreement is not necessary pursuant to the *Municipal Franchises Act*, after which Enbridge will initiate an application to the Ontario Energy Board granting approval for the renewal of the municipal franchise agreement.

Background

A municipal franchise agreement is an agreement between a municipal corporation and a gas distribution company. A municipality grants the gas distribution company the right to distribute gas within the municipality and the right to utilize municipal rights-of way.

On June 25, 2003, a municipal franchise agreement was executed between Halton Region and Union Gas Limited (the "2003 Franchise Agreement"). The 2003 Franchise Agreement is based on the 2000 Model Franchise Agreement, which the Ontario Energy Board approved as a common document, after lengthy discussions between municipalities in Ontario, with the assistance of the Association of Municipalities.

Halton Region has now received a request from Enbridge to execute a new municipal gas franchise agreement. The proposed agreement is based upon the 2000 Model Franchise Agreement. A copy of the proposed agreement is attached to this Report for information.

Discussion

Resolution and By-law

The *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55 (the "Act") states that to grant the right to use or occupy any of the municipal highways for gas works or to construct or operate any part of the gas works, a municipal corporation must pass a by-law setting out the terms and conditions under which the right to construct or operate works to distribute gas has been made and the period for which the right has been granted. The Act also sets out that before such a by-law is passed, the assent of the municipal electors and the approval of the Ontario Energy Board must be obtained. The Ontario Energy Board has the jurisdiction to grant or withhold such approval, and must hold a public hearing before approval is given to a municipality. The public hearing can be oral or written. Following the public hearing the Ontario Energy Board may grant an order stating that it is not necessary to obtain the assent of the municipal electors to the by-law as mentioned above. This is the usual course of action that the Ontario Energy Board takes in dealing with such approvals.

A copy of the draft by-law authorizing Halton Region to execute the municipal franchise agreement, which is to be submitted to the Ontario Energy Board for approval according to the provisions of the Act, is attached to this Report.

As the Ontario Energy Board approved the 2000 Model Franchise Agreement after extensive consultation between municipalities and gas companies, it should be noted that

the Ontario Energy Board has only approved amendments related to the term and service area in very unique circumstances. Moreover, although the option has only been exercised on rare occasions, Enbridge may, under the terms of the Act, apply to the Ontario Energy Board to obtain an order approving a municipal franchise agreement without the municipality supporting such an agreement.

Conclusion

The municipal franchise agreement proposed by Enbridge is substantively identical to the 2000 Model Franchise Agreement approved by the Ontario Energy Board and the 2003 Franchise Agreement between Halton Region and Union Gas Ltd. As such, it is recommended that Halton Region proceed with the necessary process to execute the new agreement so that its terms and conditions will govern the relationship between Enbridge and Halton Region.

FINANCIAL/PROGRAM IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

Respectfully submitted,

[Original Signed By]

Lee Anne Jones
Director, Infrastructure Planning and Policy

Original Signed By]

Andrew Farr
Commissioner, Public Works

Approved by

Original Signed By]

Jane MacCaskill
Chief Administrative Officer

If you have any questions on the content of this report,
please contact:

Lee Anne Jones

Tel. # 7547

Attachments: Attachment #1 – Model Franchise Agreement
Attachment #2 – Draft By-law

2000 Model Franchise Agreement

THIS AGREEMENT effective this day of , 2022

BETWEEN:

THE CORPORATION OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON

hereinafter called the "Corporation"

- and -

ENBRIDGE GAS INC.

hereinafter called the "Gas Company"

WHEREAS the Gas Company desires to distribute, store and transmit gas in the Municipality upon the terms and conditions of this Agreement;

AND WHEREAS by by-law passed by the Council of the Corporation (the "By-law"), the duly authorized officers have been authorized and directed to execute this Agreement on behalf of the Corporation;

THEREFORE the Corporation and the Gas Company agree as follows:

Part I - Definitions

1. In this Agreement

- (a) "decommissioned" and "decommissions" when used in connection with parts of the gas system, mean any parts of the gas system taken out of active use and purged in accordance with the applicable CSA standards and in no way affects the use of the term 'abandoned' pipeline for the purposes of the *Assessment Act*;
- (b) "Engineer/Road Superintendent" means the most senior individual employed by the Corporation with responsibilities for highways within the Municipality or the person designated by such senior employee or such other person as may from time to time be designated by the Council of the Corporation;

- (c) "gas" means natural gas, manufactured gas, synthetic natural gas, liquefied petroleum gas or propane-air gas, or a mixture of any of them, but does not include a liquefied petroleum gas that is distributed by means other than a pipeline;
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The Parties acknowledge that operating decisions sometimes require a greater level of detail than that which is appropriately included in this Agreement. The Parties agree to look for guidance on such matters to the Franchise Handbook prepared by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the gas utility companies, as may be amended from time to time.

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19. Agreement Binding Parties

This Agreement shall extend to, benefit and bind the parties thereto, their successors and assigns, respectively.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this Agreement effective from the date written above.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON**

Per: _____
Gary Carr, Regional Chair

Per: _____
Andrew Farr, Commissioner of Public Works

ENBRIDGE GAS INC.

Per: _____
Mark Kitchen, Director
Regulatory Affairs

Per: _____
Murray Costello, Director,
Southeast Region Operations

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON

BY-LAW NUMBER _____

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READ and PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2022.

THE CORPORATION OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON

Regional Chair

Graham Milne, Regional Clerk

2000 Model Franchise Agreement

THIS AGREEMENT effective this day of , 2022

BETWEEN:

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- and -

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- (b) If the Gas Company decommissions any other part of its gas system, it shall have the right, but is not required, to remove that part of its gas system. It may exercise its right to remove the decommissioned parts of its gas system by giving notice of its intention to do so by filing a Plan as required by Paragraph 5 of this Agreement for approval by the Engineer/Road Superintendent. If the Gas Company does not remove the part of the gas system it has decommissioned and the Corporation requires the removal of all or any part of the decommissioned gas system for the purpose of altering or improving a highway or in order to facilitate the construction of utility or other works in any highway, the Corporation

may remove and dispose of so much of the decommissioned gas system as the Corporation may require for such purposes and neither party shall have recourse against the other for any loss, cost, expense or damage occasioned thereby. If the Gas Company has not removed the part of the gas system it has decommissioned and the Corporation requires the removal of all or any part of the decommissioned gas system for the purpose of altering or improving a highway or in order to facilitate the construction of utility or other works in a highway, the Gas Company may elect to relocate the decommissioned gas system and in that event Paragraph 12 applies to the cost of relocation.

16. Use of Decommissioned Gas System

- (a) The Gas Company shall provide promptly to the Corporation, to the extent such information is known:
 - (i) the names and addresses of all third parties who use decommissioned parts of the gas system for purposes other than the transmission or distribution of gas; and
 - (ii) the location of all proposed and existing decommissioned parts of the gas system used for purposes other than the transmission or distribution of gas.
- (b) The Gas Company may allow a third party to use a decommissioned part of the gas system for purposes other than the transmission or distribution of gas and may charge a fee for that third party use, provided
 - (i) the third party has entered into a municipal access agreement with the Corporation; and
 - (ii) the Gas Company does not charge a fee for the third party's right of access to the highways.
- (c) Decommissioned parts of the gas system used for purposes other than the transmission or distribution of gas are not subject to the provisions of this Agreement. For decommissioned parts of the gas system used for purposes other than the transmission and distribution of gas, issues such as relocation costs will be governed by the relevant municipal access agreement.

17. Franchise Handbook

The Parties acknowledge that operating decisions sometimes require a greater level of detail than that which is appropriately included in this Agreement. The Parties agree to look for guidance on such matters to the Franchise Handbook prepared by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the gas utility companies, as may be amended from time to time.

18. Other Conditions

Notwithstanding the cost sharing arrangements described in Paragraph 12, if any part of the gas system altered or relocated in accordance with Paragraph 12 was constructed or installed prior to January 1, 1981, the Gas Company shall alter or relocate, at its sole expense, such part of the gas system at the point specified, to a location satisfactory to the Engineer/Road Superintendent.

19. Agreement Binding Parties

This Agreement shall extend to, benefit and bind the parties thereto, their successors and assigns, respectively.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this Agreement effective from the date written above.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON**

Per: _____
Gary Carr, Regional Chair

Per: _____
Andrew Farr, Commissioner of Public Works

ENBRIDGE GAS INC.

Per: _____
Mark Kitchen, Director, Regulatory Affairs

Per: _____
Mark Maxwell, Director, GTA West Operations