

Enbridge Gas Inc. has applied for leave to construct natural gas pipelines in the community of Sandford, within the Township of Uxbridge.

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Enbridge Gas Inc. has applied to the Ontario Energy Board for an order granting leave to construct natural gas pipelines in the community of Sandford, within the Township of Uxbridge. The pipelines consist of approximately 4.9 kilometres of Nominal Pipe Size (NPS) 2-inch polyethylene (PE) distribution pipeline and approximately 8.4 kilometres of NPS 4-inch PE distribution pipeline. Enbridge Gas Inc. is also proposing to construct ancillary facilities. The location of the proposed pipelines is shown in the map.

Enbridge Gas Inc. states that the pipelines are needed to supply natural gas to approximately 183 new customers in the community of Sandford, within the Township of Uxbridge, who currently do not have access to natural gas service. Enbridge Gas Inc. states that it intends to charge the OEB-approved System Expansion Surcharge to all new customers that will be taking service from the project.

Enbridge Gas Inc. states that on June 9, 2021, the proposed project (also referred to as the Sandford Community Expansion Project), was approved to receive funding assistance under Phase 2 of the Government of Ontario's Natural Gas Expansion Program.

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 line.

Enbridge Gas Inc. is also seeking approval to cancel and supersede the existing Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity held by Enbridge Gas Inc. for the former Town of Uxbridge, the former Township of Uxbridge and the former Township of Scott and replace them with a single Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct works to supply natural gas in the Township of Uxbridge.

Please review the application for more information about the proposed project.

A map of the proposed pipeline project is provided below.



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, 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 pipeline 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 communities** 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 **October 10, 2023** 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-2023-0200. 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-2023-0200 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.

FORM OF HEARING

There are three types of OEB hearings – oral, electronic, and written. Enbridge Gas has applied for a written hearing. The OEB is considering this request. If you have a preference with respect to the format of the hearing, you can write to the OEB to explain why by **October 10, 2023**.

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 and sections 8(1), 9(3) and 9(4) of the Municipal Franchises Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.M.55.

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