



# **DECISION AND ORDER**

**EB-2024-0256**

**ENBRIDGE GAS INC.**

**Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity  
for the Town of Oakville**

**By Delegation, before:**      **Theodore Antonopoulos**  
   **Vice President**  
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**November 28, 2024**

## 1 OVERVIEW

This Decision and Order of the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) approves an application filed by Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) for a certificate of public convenience and necessity (certificate) for the Town of Oakville.

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## 2 CONTEXT AND PROCESS

Enbridge Gas filed an application with the OEB on August 19, 2024, under section 8 of the *Municipal Franchises Act*. The application is for an order approving a new certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct works to supply natural gas in the Town of Oakville.

The OEB held a written hearing. A notice of hearing was published in the local newspaper from September 19, to September 30, 2024. The notice of hearing was also posted on Enbridge Gas's website. No persons sought to become intervenors or otherwise participate in the proceeding.

In this Decision and Order, a reference to the Town of Oakville is a reference to the municipal corporation or its geographic area, as the context requires.

### 3 APPLICATION

Enbridge Gas is a corporation incorporated under the laws of the Province of Ontario, with its head office in the City of Toronto.

The Town of Oakville is a municipal corporation incorporated under the laws of the Province of Ontario. It is a lower-tier municipality located in the Regional Municipality of Halton.

The Town of Oakville was founded in 1857. The boundaries of the Town of Oakville were expanded in 1962 to include the former Village of Bronte, the former Village of Palermo, the former Village of Sheridan and parts of the former Township of Trafalgar. In 1973 the size of the Town of Oakville was reduced with the restructuring of Halton County.<sup>1</sup>

Enbridge Gas is authorized to serve the entire geographic area of the Town of Oakville, as it is currently constituted, through existing certificates in the names of the Town's legacy municipalities.<sup>2</sup>

Through the application, Enbridge Gas requests an order of the OEB cancelling those parts of its existing certificates related to the Town of Oakville's legacy municipalities, and granting it a new certificate to construct works to supply natural gas in the Town of Oakville as it is currently constituted.

Enbridge Gas notes that, if the application is granted, there will be no change to its overall certificate rights in the Town of Oakville. Enbridge Gas further states that it is not aware of any other natural gas distributor holding a certificate for any part of the current Town of Oakville.

Enbridge Gas has a franchise agreement with the Town of Oakville effective November 30, 2009.<sup>3</sup> Enbridge Gas also has municipal franchise agreements with, and certificates for, the Regional Municipality of Halton, the City of Mississauga, the Town of Halton Hills, the Town of Milton and the City of Burlington which are immediately adjacent to the Town of Oakville.

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<sup>1</sup> Enbridge Gas Response to OEB Staff Question 1-a), November 19, 2024.

<sup>2</sup> E.B.C 324 dated June 24, 1959 for former Town of Oakville and the former Township of Trafalgar; E.B.C 32 dated June 10, 1965 for the former Town of Oakville.

<sup>3</sup> EB-2009-0344.

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## 4 FINDINGS

I find that it is in the public interest to approve Enbridge Gas's application for a certificate for the Town of Oakville. Enbridge Gas currently serves the Town of Oakville through certificates issued in the name of its various legacy municipalities. The issuance of a new certificate in the name of the Town of Oakville, and that is geographically aligned with its municipal borders, is consistent with the intent of the OEB that certificate holders update service areas if boundaries of their existing certificate(s) are affected by municipal amalgamations, annexations, or name changes. Enbridge Gas filed a complete application and provided notice of the hearing in the manner instructed by the OEB. I note that no party intervened or otherwise objected to the application.

A new certificate, attached as Schedule A to this Decision and Order, is granted to Enbridge Gas for the Town of Oakville. The new certificate supersedes Enbridge Gas's prior certificate rights for the former Town of Oakville and the parts of the former Township of Trafalgar that were merged into the Town of Oakville. I also note that there is no other natural gas distributor within the certificate area.

## 5 ORDER

### IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity, attached as Schedule A, is granted to Enbridge Gas Inc. to construct works or supply natural gas in the Town of Oakville. A current map of the Town of Oakville is attached as Schedule B.
2. This certificate of public convenience and necessity cancels and supersedes:
  - Those parts of E.B.C. 324 related to the former Town of Oakville and the parts of the former Township of Trafalgar that were merged into the Town of Oakville and the part of E.B.C. 32 relating to the former Town of Oakville.
3. Enbridge Gas Inc. shall pay the OEB's costs incidental to this proceeding upon receipt of the OEB's invoice.

**DATED** at Toronto, November 28, 2024

**ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

**Theodore Antonopoulos**

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**SCHEDULE A**  
**CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY**  
**ENBRIDGE GAS INC.**  
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## **Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity**

The Ontario Energy Board grants

### **Enbridge Gas Inc.**

approval under section 8 of the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55, as amended, to construct works to supply natural gas in the

### **Town of Oakville**

as it is constituted on the date of this Decision and Order.

This certificate of public convenience and necessity cancels and supersedes those parts of E.B.C. 324 related to the former Town of Oakville and the parts of the former Township of Trafalgar that were merged into the Town of Oakville, and the part of E.B.C. 32 relating to the former Town of Oakville

**DATED** at Toronto, November 28, 2024

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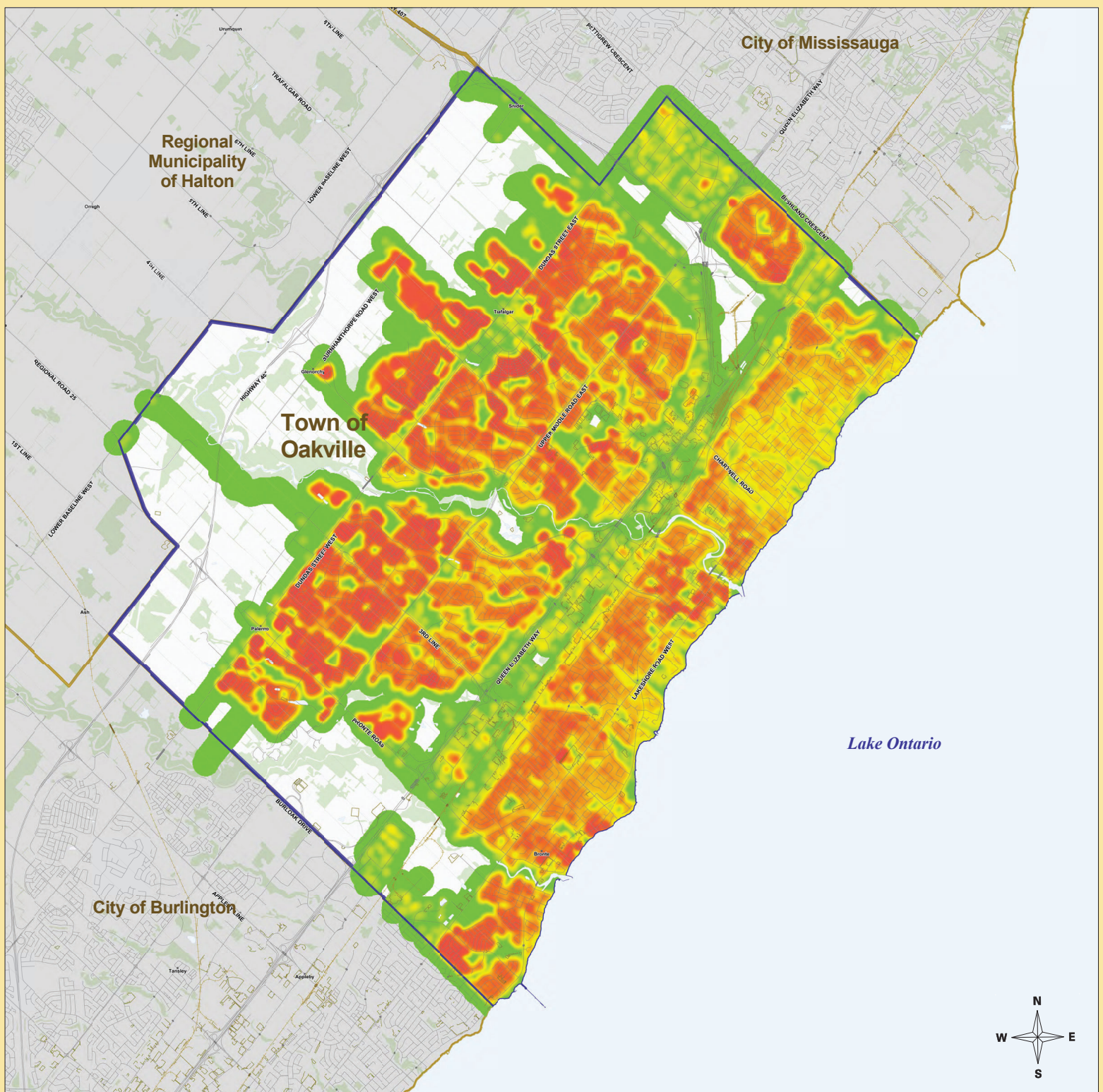
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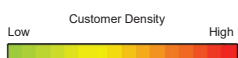


**SCHEDULE B**  
**MAP OF THE TOWN OF OAKVILLE**  
**ENBRIDGE GAS INC.**  
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### Legend

- Enbridge Gas Pipeline Coverage Area
- Town of Oakville
- Roads
- Railways
- Municipal and Township Boundaries
- First Nation Boundaries



### Town of Oakville



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