

DECISION AND ORDER EB-2024-0312

ENBRIDGE GAS INC.

Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the City of Brockville

By Delegation, before: Lindsay Wright

Manager Natural Gas

February 20, 2025

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 City of Brockville.

2 CONTEXT AND PROCESS

Enbridge Gas filed an application with the OEB on October 23, 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 City of Brockville.

The OEB held a written hearing. A notice of hearing was published in the Brockville Recorder and Times newspaper on November 21, 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 City of Brockville 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 City of Brockville is a municipal corporation incorporated under the laws of the Province of Ontario. It is a single-tier municipality located in the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville.

Enbridge Gas has been providing gas distribution services within the City of Brockville since approximately 1957. Since then, the boundaries of the City have changed, including as the result of a municipal reorganization in 2019, where the City of Brockville annexed portions of the Township of Elizabethtown-Kitley.

Enbridge Gas holds a certificate dated July 25, 1967 for the City of Brockville (E.B.C. 61) which also includes authority to serve the City of Peterborough¹ and a certificate dated March 8, 2018 for the Township of Elizabethtown-Kitley.²

In the light of the foregoing, Enbridge Gas submits it is authorized to serve the entire geographic area of the City of Brockville, as it is currently constituted, through a combination of certificates for the City of Brockville. Through the application, Enbridge Gas seeks an order of the OEB cancelling E.B.C. 61 relating to the City of Brockville and those parts of the EB-2017-0379 certificate that were annexed to the City of Brockville, and replacing them with a new certificate to construct works to supply natural gas in the City of Brockville as it is currently constituted.

Enbridge Gas states that it is not aware of any other natural gas distributor within the City of Brockville or any area adjacent to it.

Enbridge Gas has a 20-year franchise agreement with the City of Brockville effective March 16, 2018.³ Enbridge Gas also has franchise agreements with, and certificates for, the Township of Elizabethtown-Kitley and the Township Augusta, each of which is immediately adjacent to the City of Brockville.

¹ The parts of E.B.C. 61 related to the City of Peterborough have been superseded with a new certificate for the City of Peterborough issued in January 2004 (RP-1999-0042/EB-2002-0438)

² EB-2017-0379

³ EB-2017-0316

4 FINDINGS

I find that it is in the public interest to approve Enbridge Gas's application for a certificate for the City of Brockville. The issuance of a new certificate for the City of Brockville 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 the application.

A new certificate, attached as Schedule A to this Decision and Order, is granted to Enbridge Gas for the City of Brockville. The new certificate cancels and supersedes Enbridge Gas's prior certificate authorizations for the City of Brockville. I also note that there are no other natural gas distributors within the certificate area.

5 ORDER

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 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 City of Brockville. A current map of the City of Brockville is attached as Schedule B.
- 2. This certificate of public convenience and necessity cancels and supersedes:
 - E.B.C. 61, related to the City of Brockville.
 - Those parts of EB-2017-0379 related to the former Township of Elizabethtown-Kitley annexed into the City of Brockville.
- 3. Enbridge Gas Inc. shall pay the OEB's costs incidental to this proceeding upon receipt of the OEB's invoice.

DATED at February 20, 2025

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Lindsay Wright

Manager Natural Gas

SCHEDULE A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY ENBRIDGE GAS INC.

EB-2024-0312

FEBRUARY 20, 2025

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

City of Brockville

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

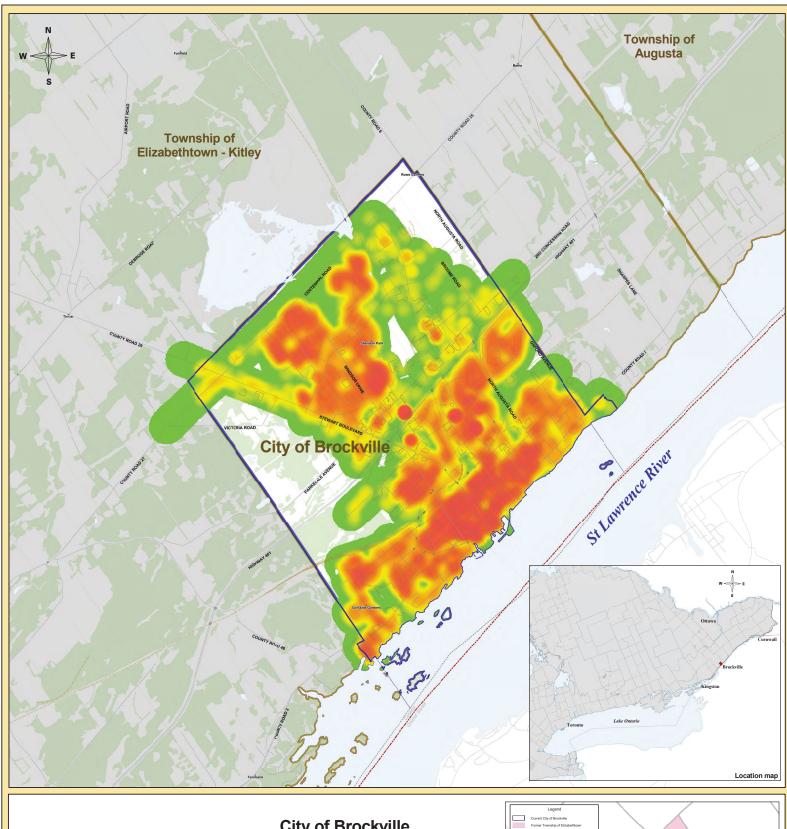
This certificate of public convenience and necessity cancels and supersedes E.B.C. 61, related to the City of Brockville and those parts of EB-2017-0379 related to the former Township of Elizabethtown-Kitley annexed into the City of Brockville.

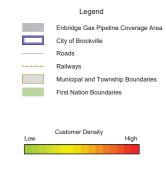
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SCHEDULE B MAP OF THE CITY OF BROCKVILLE ENBRIDGE GAS INC. EB-2024-0312 FEBRUARY 20, 2025





City of Brockville



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



