

DECISION AND ORDER

EB-2025-0187

ENBRIDGE GAS INC.

Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Town of Milton

By Delegation, before: Lindsay Wright

ManagerNatural Gas

August 14, 2025

1 OVERVIEW

Through this Decision and Order, the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) approves an application filed by Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) for a new certificate of public convenience and necessity (certificate) for the Town of Milton. This new certificate is required merely to reflect changes to the municipal boundaries of the Town of Milton.

2 CONTEXT AND PROCESS

Enbridge Gas filed an application with the OEB on May 29, 2025, 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 Milton.

The OEB held a written hearing. A notice of hearing was published in the www.insidehalton.com website from June 23 to June 27, 2025 and in the Hamilton Spectator newspaper on June 27, 2025. The notice of hearing was also posted on Enbridge Gas's website. No one sought to intervene or otherwise participate in the proceeding.

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

This Decision and Order is being issued under delegated authority pursuant to section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998 (OEB Act).

3 APPLICATION

Enbridge Gas 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.

The Town of Milton 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 Milton was incorporated in 1857. Enbridge Gas has been providing gas distribution services within the Town of Milton since approximately 1956. The boundaries of the Town changed as the result of a municipal reorganization in 1974, where parts of the former Township of Esquesing, all of the Township of Nassagaweya, and the northern sections of the former Township of Trafalgar and the former Township of Nelson were annexed to the Town of Milton. On January 1, 2010, the Town of Milton sold 400 hectares of land to the City of Mississauga in a corridor of land along Ninth Line between Highway 403/401 along Highway 407. As a result, the border of the Town of Milton was moved westward from Ninth Line to Highway 407.

Enbridge Gas is authorized to serve the entire geographic area of the Town of Milton, as it is currently constituted, through its existing certificate issued on June 10, 2008², which includes authority to service the annexed land. Enbridge Gas has a certificate dated July 8, 2010 for the City of Mississauga³. Although the 2010 certificate for the City of Mississauga was issued after the annexation, it does not include the authority to service this annexed land, as this area was considered a service area of Union Gas Limited at that time. After Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. and Union Gas Limited amalgamated effective January 1, 2019 to become Enbridge Gas Inc., both certificates were assumed by Enbridge Gas.

Through the application, Enbridge Gas requests an order of the OEB cancelling EB-2008-0078, and replacing it with a new certificate to construct works to supply natural gas in the Town of Milton as it is currently constituted. Enbridge Gas states that it is not aware of any other person holding a certificate for any part of the current Town of Milton.

Order made under the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, December 17, 2009

² EB-2008-0078

³ EB-2010-0189

Enbridge Gas also filed a separate application for an order approving a new certificate for the City of Mississauga as it is currently constituted.⁴ The Mississauga application likewise reflects municipal boundaries changes between the Town of Milton and the City of Mississauga. In the light of foregoing, the OEB is issuing these two decisions at the same time to reflect the current municipal boundaries of these two municipalities.

Enbridge Gas has a 20-year franchise agreement with the Town of Milton effective June 25, 2007. Enbridge Gas also has franchise agreements with, and certificates for, the Township of Guelph/Eramosa, the Town of Halton Hills, the City of Mississauga, the Town of Oakville, the City of Burlington, the City of Hamilton, the Township of Puslinch, and the Regional Municipality of Halton, each of which is immediately adjacent to the Town of Milton.

⁴ EB-2025-0188

⁵ EB-2007-0094

4 FINDINGS

The OEB finds that it is in the public interest to approve Enbridge Gas's application for a new certificate for the Town of Milton. Enbridge Gas filed a complete application and provided notice of the hearing in the manner instructed by the OEB. No party intervened or otherwise objected the application.

The issuance of a new certificate for the Town of Milton 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.⁶

A new certificate, attached as Schedule A to this Decision and Order, is granted to Enbridge Gas for the Town of Milton. The new certificate cancels and supersedes Enbridge Gas's prior certificate authorization for the Town of Milton.

The OEB is also issuing the decision on Enbridge Gas's request for a new certificate for the City of Mississauga at the same time to reflect the current municipal boundaries.⁷

⁶ EB-2022-0081, Natural Gas Facilities Handbook, Section 3.6.2 - Municipal Changes that do not affect another Person's Certificate Rights, March 31, 2022 ⁷ EB-2025-0188

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 to supply natural gas in the Town of Milton. A current map of the Town of Milton is attached as Schedule B.
- 2. This certificate of public convenience and necessity cancels and supersedes: EB-2008-0078.
- 3. Enbridge Gas Inc. shall pay the OEB's costs incidental to this proceeding upon receipt of the OEB's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, August 14, 2025

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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 Milton

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

This certificate of public convenience and necessity cancels and supersedes EB-2008-0078 related to the Town of Milton.

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SCHEDULE B
MAP OF THE TOWN OF MILTON
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