



DECISION AND ORDER

EB-2025-0246

ENBRIDGE GAS INC.

**Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and
Necessity for the Township of Melancthon**

**By Delegation, before: Lindsay Wright
Manager
Natural Gas**

November 13, 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 Township of Melancthon. This new certificate is required to reflect changes to the municipal boundaries of the Township of Melancthon.

2 CONTEXT AND PROCESS

Enbridge Gas filed an application with the OEB on August 8, 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 Township of Melancthon.

This Decision and Order is being issued under delegated authority pursuant to section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act). Because this is an administrative matter and no new rights are being granted to Enbridge Gas, the OEB has considered the application without holding a hearing pursuant to section 6(4) of the 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 Township of Melancthon is a municipal corporation incorporated under the laws of the Province of Ontario. It is a lower-tier municipality located in the County of Dufferin.

The Township of Melancthon was founded in 1853. The boundaries of the Township have changed as the result of municipal reorganizations in 1976, 1997 and 2002 whereby portions of the Township were annexed to the Town of Shelburne.¹

Enbridge Gas holds a certificate dated July 19, 1967, for the Township of Melancthon.² Enbridge Gas submits it is still authorized to serve the entire geographic area of the Township of Melancthon, as it is currently constituted, through E.B.C. 57, as the current Township is geographically smaller than it was when E.B.C. 57 was issued.

Enbridge Gas requests an order of the OEB cancelling its existing certificate that includes areas that are no longer within the Township of Melancthon, and granting it a new certificate to construct works to supply natural gas in the Township of Melancthon as it is currently constituted.

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

Enbridge Gas has a 20-year franchise agreement with the Township of Melancthon effective January 22, 2009.³ Enbridge Gas also has franchise agreements with, and certificates for, the Town of Shelburne, the Township of Amaranth, the Town of Mono, the Township of Southgate, the Municipality of Grey Highlands, and the Town of Grand Valley, each of which is immediately adjacent to the Township of Melancthon.

¹ The Town of Shelburne Certificate Decision and Order (EB-2008-0266), issued on September 16, 2008, replaces those parts of Certificate E.B.C. 57 relating to the former Township of Melancthon annexed to the Town of Shelburne.

² E.B.C. 57

³ EB-2008-0344

4 FINDINGS

The OEB finds that it is in the public interest to approve Enbridge Gas's application for a certificate for the Township of Melancthon.

The issuance of a new certificate for the Township of Melancthon 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.⁴ No other person's certificate rights are affected as a result of this decision. This is a housekeeping change that merely reflects the current and smaller boundaries of the municipality.

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

⁴ 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

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 Township of Melancthon. A current map of the Township of Melancthon is attached as Schedule B.
2. This certificate of public convenience and necessity cancels and supersedes E.B.C. 57.
3. Enbridge Gas Inc. shall pay the OEB's costs of and incidental to this proceeding upon receipt of the OEB's invoice.

DATED at Toronto, November 13, 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

Township of Melancthon

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

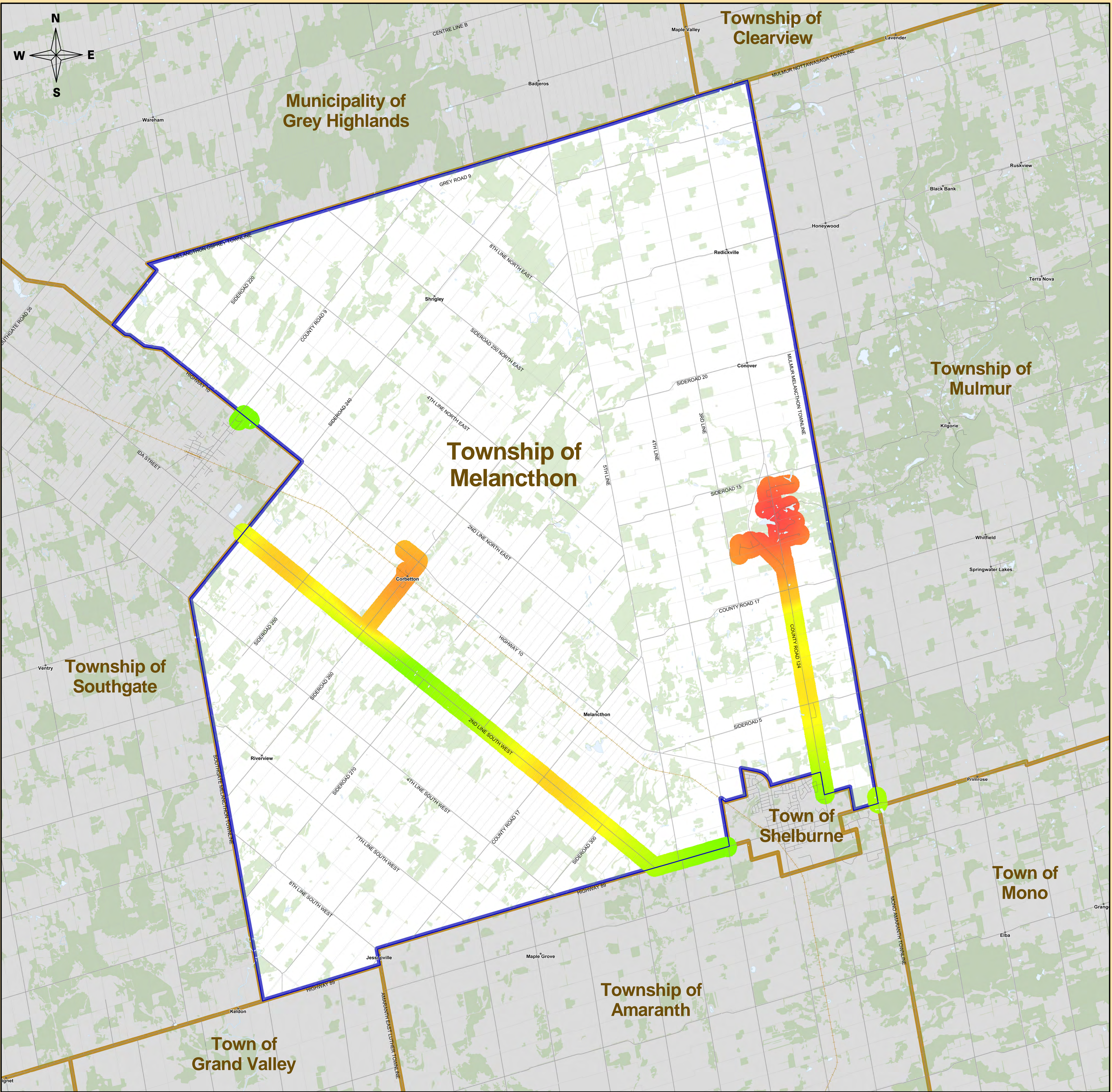
This certificate of public convenience and necessity cancels and supersedes E.B.C. 57 for the Township of Melancthon.

DATED November 13, 2025

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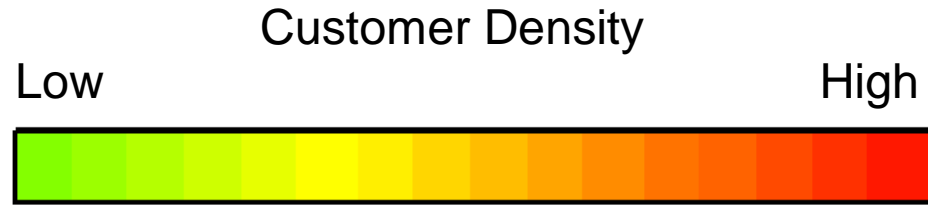
SCHEDULE B
MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON
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Township of Melancthon

Legend

- Enbridge Gas pipeline Coverage Area
- Township of Melancthon
- Roads
- Railways
- Municipal and Township Boundaries
- Indigenous Lands



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



Location Map

