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Dear Katy Field:

**Re: Report to the Minister of Natural Resources
Well Drilling Licence Application
2026 Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool Well Drilling Project
OEB File Number: EB-2025-0293**

Pursuant to Section 40 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, the Ministry of Natural Resources referred to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) an application by Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) for well drilling licences to drill two natural gas storage wells in the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool. Please find attached the OEB's report to the Minister of Natural Resources that recommends the issuance of a well drilling licence to Enbridge Gas for each well, subject to certain proposed Conditions of Licence.

Please direct any questions relating to this application to Zora Crnojacki, Senior Advisor at Zora.Crnojacki@oeb.ca or at 416-440-8104.

Yours truly,

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Attachment

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EB-2025-0293

**REPORT OF THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD TO THE MINISTER OF NATURAL
RESOURCES**

**Application by Enbridge Gas Inc. for licences to drill two natural gas storage
wells in the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool in the Township of St. Clair**

By Delegation, before: Theodore Antonopoulos
Vice President
Major Applications

March 19, 2026

1 INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) applied to the Minister of Natural Resources (Minister) for licences to drill two new injection/withdrawal wells:

- Tecumseh Kimball-Colinville 70, Moore 17-7-VI (TKC 70)
- Tecumseh Kimball-Colinville 71, Moore 8-17-VIII (TKC 71)

The wells will be drilled within the Designated Storage Area¹ in the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool (the wells are referred to as the Project). Enbridge Gas is authorized to store gas in the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool.²

On September 23, 2025, the Minister referred the application to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) pursuant to section 40(1) of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (OEB Act).³

On November 13, 2025, Enbridge Gas requested from the OEB a favourable report (Report) to the Minister in respect of the TKC 70 and TKC 71 well drilling licences application.

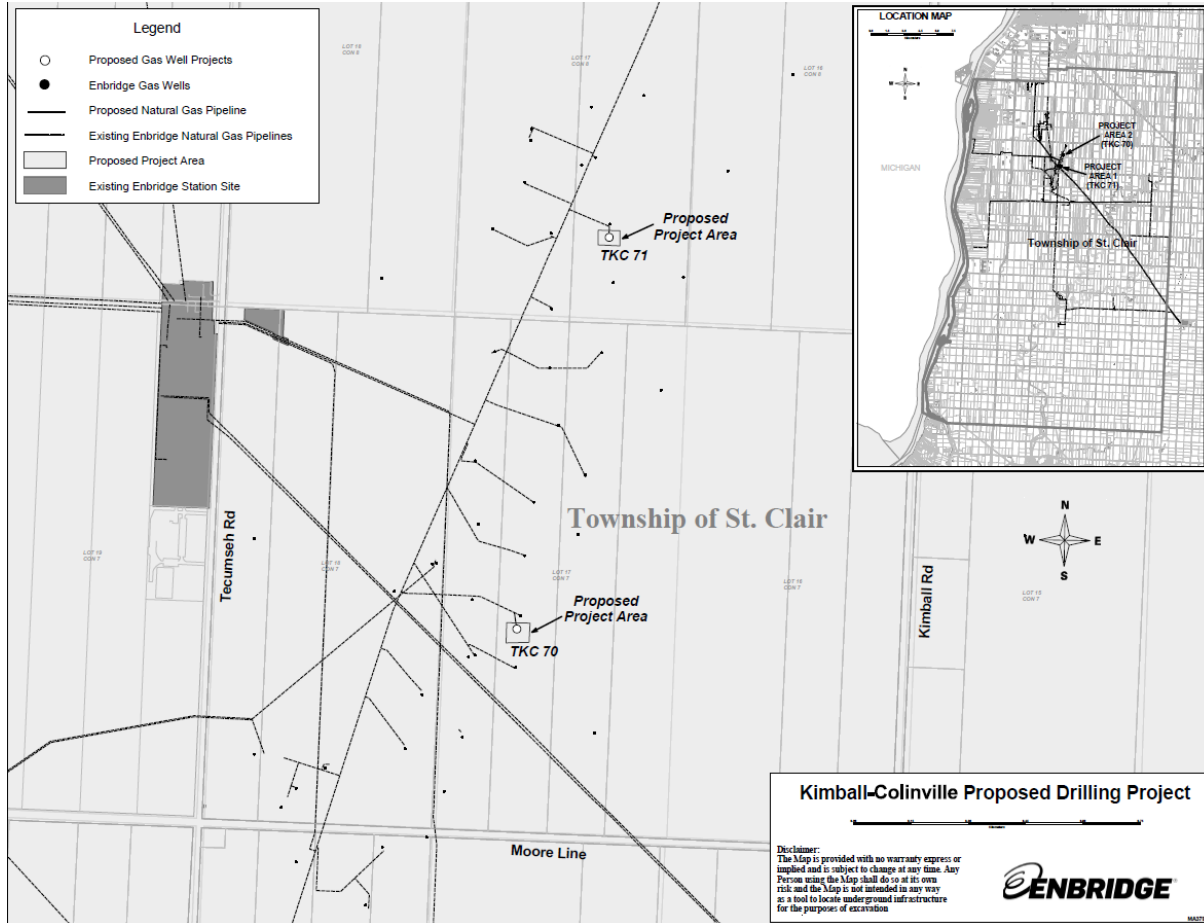
The locations of the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool and the Project are presented in the diagram below:⁴

¹ Application and Evidence, Exhibit A, Tab 2, Schedule 1 page 2, paragraph 5. The Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool was designated as a gas storage area pursuant to Gas Storage Areas Act, O. Reg. 330/62 and as amended by O. Reg. 7/63 following an application by Imperial Oil Limited to the Lieutenant Governor in Council in December 1960.

² Application and Evidence, Exhibit B, Tab 1, Schedule 1, page 2, paragraph 5. Granted by EBO 35 Order, December 2, 1963.

³ Application and Evidence, Exhibit D, Tab 1, Schedule 1, Attachment 9

⁴ Application and Evidence, Exhibit A, Tab 2, Schedule 1, Attachment 1, page 1



The OEB recommends approval of the application for the well drilling licences. The OEB’s recommendation includes the Conditions of Licence in Attachment A to this Report.

2 PROCESS

Section 40(2) of the OEB Act states that the “Board may hold a hearing before reporting to the Minister if the applicant does not have authority to store gas in the area or, in the Board’s opinion, the special circumstances of the case require a hearing.”

As Enbridge Gas has the authority to store gas in the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool and there are no special circumstances that require a hearing the OEB proceeded without a hearing. The OEB also determined to proceed with the application review by a delegated authority.

On December 17, 2025, the OEB issued a Case Information Letter (Letter). The Letter set out a process for OEB staff questions to be asked of, and answered by, Enbridge, and for comments to be filed by the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR).

OEB staff filed questions on January 6, 2026. Enbridge Gas responded on January 16, 2026. The MNR received Enbridge Gas’s responses to the questions.

On January 29, 2026, MNR filed a letter indicating it has no concerns with, nor will it be filing comments about, the application. On March 3, 2026 the OEB placed the application in abeyance to provide additional time for the filing of the Ministry of Energy and Mines (MEM) a Letter of Opinion regarding the adequacy of procedural aspects of Indigenous consultation conducted by Enbridge Gas on the Project.

On March 11, 2026, Enbridge Gas updated its evidence by filing the Letter of Opinion⁵ from MEM confirming that the procedural aspects of Indigenous consultation undertaken by Enbridge Gas to date for the Project are satisfactory. Upon receipt of the Letter of Opinion the OEB resumed the proceeding. This closed the record for the proceeding.

⁵ Updated Application EB-2025-0293, March 11, 2026, Exhibit H, Tab 1, Schedule 1, Attachment 3, pages 1-2, Ministry of Energy and Mines, March 10, 2026, Letter of Opinion-Kimball-Colinville Well Drilling Project

3 FACTORS CONSIDERED BY THE OEB

When reviewing and reporting to the Minister on well drilling licence applications, the OEB considers the following factors:

- Project need, regulatory compliance and timing
- Proposed facilities
- Project costs and impact on ratepayers
- Environmental impacts of the project
- Landowner matters associated with the project
- Indigenous consultation associated with the project
- Conditions of Licence

The sections below summarize the evidence filed by Enbridge Gas and provide the OEB's findings related to each of these factors.

3.1 PROJECT NEED, REGULATORY COMPLIANCE AND TIMING

Need for the Project

Enbridge Gas stated that wells TKC 70 and TKC 71 are needed to replace lost injection and withdrawal capability due to abandonment of wells Tecumseh Kimball-Colinville 29, Moore 6-17-VII (TKC 29) and Tecumseh Kimball-Colinville 36, Moore 8-17-VIII (TKC 36).

According to Enbridge Gas, there are eight wells, including TKC 29 and TKC 36, within the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool with declining integrity and which need replacement. The eight wells lack the required minimum number of casings which creates a higher likelihood of casing failure and increased operational risk. Enbridge Gas's casing inspection logs⁶ indicate other integrity concerns related to lack of cement between the casings and corrosion.⁷

Enbridge Gas will take a phased approach to abandon the eight wells over the next four years. Enbridge Gas plans to drill new wells to replace lost injection/withdrawal capability due to the abandonments.⁸

Enbridge Gas stated TKC 29 and TKC 36 were abandoned in 2023 and 2025, respectively, due to integrity concerns and were the first two of eight wells to be abandoned, as part of a phased program. Enbridge Gas stated the abandonment of the two wells resulted in a loss of total design day withdrawal capability of approximately 2,562 10³m³/day or approximately 100 TJ/day, diminishing the flow capacity of the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool.

Enbridge Gas also noted the abandonments of TKC 29 and TKC 36 increase the time required to cycle the storage pool by three weeks, impacting the ability to fill and empty the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool. Enbridge Gas stated the lost withdrawal capability and the increase in cycle time impact its ability to fulfill the storage requirements for both regulated and unregulated storage operations.

Enbridge Gas stated that the 2025-2034 Asset Management Plan⁹ describes the requirement to abandon the identified eight wells and the drilling of the required number of replacement wells in the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool over four years.

Enbridge Gas estimated that the proposed wells TKC 70 and TKC 71 will provide similar injection and withdrawal capability to the abandoned wells (TKC 29 and TKC 36) based on their proximity, but the actual injection and withdrawal capability will not be known until after the proposed wells are drilled and tested. The actual injection and withdrawal

⁶ Exhibit B, Tab 1, Schedule 1, paragraph 13, page 4. A casing inspection log is a specialized well log used to evaluate the condition and integrity of the casing in a natural gas storage well.

⁷ Exhibit B, Tab 1, Schedule 1, paragraphs 13-14, page 4

⁸ Exhibit B, Tab 1, Schedule 1, paragraph 19, page 5

⁹ EB-2020-0091

capability of TKC 70 and TKC 71 will help determine the number of new wells required in the future to replace the injection and withdrawal capability of the additional six wells proposed for abandonment. Enbridge Gas stated the objective of the program is to provide sufficient injection and withdrawal capability to restore flexibility in filling and emptying the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool.

Enbridge Gas indicated TKC 70 and TKC 71 are designed to support higher flow capabilities. Although additional injection and withdrawal capability cannot be guaranteed, Enbridge Gas has selected the well locations and designed the new wells to maximize their capability and potentially reduce the number of replacement wells required in future.¹⁰

Enbridge Gas stated drilling TKC 70 and TKC 71 will not affect the maximum operating pressure and storage capacity of the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool. The Project will have no impact on the Gas Supply Plan and will not result in any new storage services.

Findings

The OEB finds that the Project is needed. Enbridge Gas's evidence supports the need for the two new wells TKC 70 and TKC 71. The Project would enable Enbridge Gas to compensate for the lost withdrawal capability and cycling ability of the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool due to abandonment of the two wells TKC 29 and TKC 36.

Regulatory Compliance

Enbridge Gas stated that all design, drilling, installation and testing of the proposed wells will be in accordance with the *Oil, Gas & Salt Resources Act* (OGSRA), Ontario Regulation 245/97, OGSRA Standards v.3.0 and the Canadian Standards Association standard *Z341 Storage of Hydrocarbons in Underground Formations* (CSA Z341.1-22).

¹¹

Enbridge Gas filed the summaries of the following studies with MNR for review and assessment of compliance with CSA Z341.1-22:

- An Assessment of Neighbouring Activities for the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool
- A Risk Assessment ("What if" analysis of hazards and operability issues)

Enbridge Gas's evidence included copies of its communication with MNR regarding MNR's review of the studies. MNR acknowledged the receipt of Enbridge Gas's email indicating completion of the studies. In its letter to the OEB which was copied to

¹⁰ Response to OEB staff questions, Exhibit I.OEB Staff-1 a)

¹¹ Exhibit D, Tab 1, Schedule 1, paragraph 2, page 1

Enbridge Gas,¹² MNR stated that it has no concerns with the application.

Enbridge Gas confirmed that it will fulfill, to the satisfaction of MNR, all relevant requirements of CSA Z341.1-22, the OGSRA and related regulations.

Findings

The OEB accepts the statement by Enbridge Gas that all drilling, design, installation and testing of the proposed wells TKC 70 and TKC 71 will be in accordance with applicable regulations and that compliance will be to the satisfaction of MNR.

Regarding the regulatory requirements for the well drilling licences, the OEB notes that Enbridge Gas¹³ agreed to the following condition of licence to drill wells TKC 70 and TKC 71 which is typically part of the standard conditions of approval for well drilling licences:¹⁴

11. For the purposes of these conditions, Enbridge Gas shall conform with:
 - a) CSA Z341.1-22 “Storage of Hydrocarbons in Underground Formations” to the satisfaction of the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR); and
 - b) The requirements for wells as specified in the Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act, its Regulation 245/97, and the Provincial Operating Standards v.3.0 to the satisfaction of MNR

Timing of the Project

In its application, Enbridge Gas stated that it planned to start drilling in April 2026. Enbridge Gas plans to place wells TKC 70 and TKC 71 into service in September 2026. Enbridge Gas stated that timing the drilling to when the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool is at a low pressure below 5,500 kPag, will ensure safety and continuity of service from the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool.¹⁵

In its application, Enbridge Gas stated that all activities related to drilling will occur on a drilling pad and existing laneways. The construction of the temporary all-weather drilling pads commenced in fall 2025 upon receipt of all required permits, approvals, and landowner agreements.

¹² Letter by the MNR, January 29, 2026

¹³ Response to OEB Staff Questions, Exhibit I.OEB Staff -4

¹⁴ See Attachment A to this report for full list of conditions

¹⁵ Exhibit D, Tab 1, Schedule 1, paragraph 16, page 5

Findings

The OEB finds the construction of the proposed facilities appropriately planned with respect to timing. The OEB finds the proposed drilling schedule acceptable as it ensures the safe drilling of wells TKC 70 and TK 71 with no disruption to service in the Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool. If the proposed schedule or other aspects of the Project require material changes, Enbridge Gas is expected to notify MNR and the OEB as soon as practical. The OEB expects Enbridge Gas to explain any delays or deviations related to the drilling schedule or other components of the Project as part of its filing under recommended condition 9 of this Report.

3.2 PROPOSED FACILITIES

Proposed Facilities

For wells TKC 70 and TKC 71, Enbridge Gas must construct a temporary gravel drilling pad for each well, each pad with an area of approximately 8,000 m² and with a silt fence around the perimeter. Upon completion of drilling the temporary drilling pads will be reduced to area of 60 m² and remain as permanent gravel pads. In addition to the gravel pads, the construction will require construction of access laneway and temporary workspace.¹⁶

Enbridge Gas stated that once drilling is complete, two NPS 10-inch steel natural gas pipelines of approximately 50-70 m each will be installed to connect each of TKC 70 and TKC 71 to the existing Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool gathering system. According to Enbridge Gas, these natural gas pipelines do not meet any of the criteria for requesting leave to construct under the OEB Act.¹⁷ Upon completion of the pipeline installation, a permanent well site measuring approximately 96 m² including the 60 m² permanent gravel pad, will remain for each well. The rest of the land will be restored, and any drainage tile issues caused by Enbridge Gas's operations will be resolved.

Findings

The OEB finds the construction of the proposed facilities to be appropriately planned.

¹⁶ Exhibit G, Tab 1, Schedule 1, paragraph 1, page 1

¹⁷ *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, s.90(1)

3.3 PROJECT COSTS AND IMPACT ON RATEPAYERS

The total estimated cost for the Project is approximately \$7.8 million¹⁸, as outlined in Table 1, below¹⁹.

Table 1: Project Costs

<u>Description</u>	<u>TKC 70 and TKC 71</u>
Material	\$ 1,381,000
Construction	\$ 4,772,880
Outside Services	\$ 26,000
Land, Permits, Approvals and Consultations	\$ 185,000
Contingency	\$ 636,488
Sub-Total	\$ 7,001,368
Interest During Construction	\$ 213,208
Indirect Overheads	\$ 550,797
Total Project Cost	\$ 7,765,373

Enbridge Gas stated that it is not seeking a separate recovery of the Project costs as these costs will be managed through the Enbridge Gas capital envelope.²⁰

The Kimball-Colinville Storage Pool is used by Enbridge Gas to fulfill part of its storage requirements for regulated and unregulated storage operations. Enbridge Gas stated that the capital costs for drilling wells TKC 70 and TKC 71 will be apportioned to regulated and unregulated storage operations in accordance with Enbridge Gas's harmonized storage allocation methodology as approved in the 2024 Enbridge Gas Rebasing Phase 2 proceeding.²¹

Findings

The OEB is satisfied that ratemaking implications of the Project, including the appropriate allocation of costs, were addressed in its 2024 Rebasing Phase 2 proceeding.

¹⁸ The total cost of the Project includes a 10% contingency applied to all direct capital costs.

¹⁹ Exhibit E, Tab 1, Schedule 1, paragraph 1, page 1

²⁰ Exhibit E, Tab 1, Schedule1, paragraph 7, page 3

²¹ EB-2024-0111 Decision on Settlement Proposal and Interim Rate Order, November 29, 2024

3.4 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Enbridge Gas retained Stantec Consulting Ltd. to undertake an environmental and socio-economic impact study associated with the Project, in accordance with the *Environmental Guidelines for the Location, Construction and Operation of Hydrocarbon Projects and Facilities in Ontario (8th edition), 2023* (Environmental Guidelines). The results of the study and associated consultation activities are documented in the Environmental Report included in the application.²² The Environmental Report concluded that with the implementation of its recommendations, the occurrence of ongoing communication and consultation, and adherence to permit, regulatory and legislative requirements, potential adverse residual environmental and socio-economic impacts of the Project are not anticipated to be significant.

The draft Environmental Report was shared with members of the Ontario Pipeline Coordinating Committee (OPCC), Indigenous communities, municipalities, and relevant agencies on August 29, 2025.

Enbridge Gas noted that the study area was assessed for archaeological impacts through previous Enbridge Gas projects, which determined no potential impacts.

Enbridge Gas stated a cultural heritage assessment was previously completed for the land on which TKC 70 is located, as part of Enbridge Gas' Dawn-Corunna project²³ and that the cultural heritage features identified are not located in the Study Area for this Project. Stantec prepared a Cultural Heritage Memo²⁴ for the Study Area of TKC 71, that identified one indicator of cultural heritage value or interest on the Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism (MCM) Checklist, for the "Smith and White Cemetery." However, this cemetery is located over 1 km northeast of TKC 71.

Findings

The OEB is satisfied that Enbridge Gas has completed the Environmental Report for the Project in accordance with the OEB Environmental Guidelines. The OEB has reviewed the OPCC recommendations and finds that Enbridge Gas has satisfactorily identified and addressed potential environmental impacts and acknowledged OPCC's recommendations for pre- and post-construction. The OEB notes that condition 6 of the recommended Licence conditions in Attachment A is that prior to commencement of construction of the proposed wells, Enbridge Gas shall receive all necessary approvals, permits, licences, certificates, agreements and rights required to construct, operate and

²² Exhibit F, Tab 1, Schedule 1, Attachment 1: Stantec Consulting Ltd., 2026 Kimball-Colinville Wells Drilling Project: Environmental Report, November 7, 2025

²³ EB-2022-0086

²⁴ Exhibit F, Tab 1, Schedule 1, Attachment 1: Stantec Consulting Ltd., 2026 Kimball-Colinville Wells Drilling Project: Environmental Report, November 7, 2025, Appendix E

maintain the proposed wells.

3.5 LANDOWNER MATTERS

As noted in section 3.2 of the Report, the Project requires the construction of temporary gravel pads, access lane and temporary workspace.

Enbridge Gas stated that it has a Gas Storage Lease that includes the land where wells TKC 70 and TKC 71 will be drilled, which gives it the land rights required to drill the wells and construct laneway.²⁵

Enbridge Gas also stated that its land agents have engaged with the parties directly impacted by the Project. Enbridge Gas contacted the landowner of the site for well TKC 70 and the associated well lateral. Enbridge Gas owns the property for well TKC 71 location. Enbridge Gas notified the tenant farmers to coordinate agricultural activities and construction scheduling.²⁶ Enbridge Gas stated it will compensate the landowner for use of the land and any crop loss associated with the Project.²⁷

Findings

The OEB finds that Enbridge Gas's Gas Storage Lease provides Enbridge Gas the land rights it needs to drill wells TKC 70 and TKC 71. The OEB also notes that Enbridge Gas has contacted the affected landowner and tenants, and that it will provide compensation to the affected landowner. The OEB finds that Enbridge Gas's management of landowner matters related to the Project is acceptable.

²⁵ Application and Evidence, Exhibit G, Tab 1, Schedule 1, Paragraph 7, Page 2-3

²⁶ Application and Evidence, Exhibit G, Tab 1, Schedule 1, Paragraph 6, Page 2

²⁷ Application and Evidence, Exhibit G, Tab 1, Schedule 1, Paragraph 8, Page 3

3.6 INDIGENOUS CONSULTATION

MEM coordinates the procedural aspects of the Crown's duty to consult obligations that may be triggered by natural gas storage-related applications. With respect to the Crown's duty to consult related to the Project, Enbridge Gas contacted MEM on April 16, 2025. By letter dated June 17, 2025 (Delegation Letter), MEM delegated the procedural aspects of the Crown's duty to consult for the Project to Enbridge Gas. In the Delegation Letter, MEM identified five Indigenous communities with which Enbridge Gas should consult in relation to the Project:

Aamjiwnaang First Nation

Bkejwanong (Walpole Island First Nation)

Chippewas of Kettle and Stony Point First Nation

Chippewas of the Thames First Nation

Oneida Nation of the Thames

On November 13, 2025, Enbridge Gas provided MEM with its Indigenous Consultation Report (ICR) for the Project.

Enbridge Gas updated the ICR as of January 9, 2026.²⁸ Enbridge Gas confirmed that as of January 9, 2026, it is not aware of any outstanding concerns for any of the five Indigenous communities.

The evidence on the Indigenous consultation is also provided in Enbridge Gas's Indigenous Consultation Log (Log). The updated Log covers a period from June 24, 2025 to January 9, 2026.²⁹

The Log contains the date and method of communication, a summary of Enbridge Gas consultation activity, a summary of community consultation activity, a description of any issues and concerns raised and Enbridge Gas responses. Copies of communication between the Indigenous communities and Enbridge Gas and between Enbridge Gas and MEM are attached to the Log.

According to the updated ICR and the Log, no community had outstanding concerns with the Project as of January 9, 2026.

²⁸ Response to the OEB staff questions Exhibit I.OEB STAFF-3, Attachment 1: Indigenous Consultation Report, Summary Tables, January 9, 2026, pages 1-6

²⁹ Response to the OEB staff questions Exhibit I.OEB STAFF-3, Attachment 2: Indigenous Consultation Log, from June 24, 2025, to January 9, 2026, pages 1-215

Enbridge Gas addressed the community's concerns through responding to the comments by each Indigenous community and stated it will continue to engage with the communities to address any subsequently identified concerns related to the Project.³⁰

The Letter of Opinion, filed on March 11, 2026, stated that MEM has completed its review of Enbridge Gas's ICR for the Project and had reached out to the Indigenous communities identified about concerns raised and/or proposed mitigation and was satisfied with the procedural aspects of the consultation undertaken by Enbridge Gas for the Project to date. MEM also expressed its expectation that Enbridge Gas will continue its consultation activities with Indigenous communities throughout the life of the Project, and that Enbridge Gas will notify MEM should any rights-based concerns or issues arise.

Findings

The OEB has reviewed the Indigenous consultation-related evidence and has no concerns with respect to the Indigenous consultation undertaken by Enbridge Gas related to the Project.

Enbridge Gas carried out consultations with the five Indigenous groups identified by the MEM. Enbridge Gas has committed to continue to engage with the communities about subsequently raised concerns.

On March 10, 2026, Enbridge Gas received a Letter of Opinion from MEM confirming that the procedural aspects of the consultation undertaken by Enbridge Gas are satisfactory.

Considering the current evidentiary record on Indigenous consultation for the Project, the OEB finds that to the extent that the duty to consult has been triggered by the Project, the duty to consult has been discharged sufficiently to allow the OEB to issue a favorable Report recommending that licences to drill wells TKC 70 and TKC 71 in the Kimball-Colinville Pool be issued by the Minister.

³⁰ Response to OEB staff questions, Exhibit I, OEB Staff -3, Attachment 1, pages 2-3

3.7 RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS OF LICENCE

As part of a question for Enbridge Gas, OEB staff proposed certain Conditions of Licence that are similar to those recommended by the OEB in past well drilling licence applications.³¹

In response to the OEB staff question, Enbridge Gas stated that it had no objections to the recommended conditions.³²

Findings

The OEB recommends the conditions proposed by OEB staff and notes that Enbridge Gas agreed that these conditions be added to the licences to drill wells TKC 70 and TKC 71.

³¹ OEB Report, May 8, 2025, Enbridge Gas Inc. Licence to drill a storage well in the Waubuno Storage Pool, EB-2024-0304

³² Response to OEB Staff Questions, Exhibit I.OEB Staff-4

4 RECOMMENDATION

For the reasons stated in the Report, the OEB recommends approval of the application for the well drilling licences, subject to the recommended Conditions of Licence in Attachment A. This recommendation shall expire twelve months from the date of this report.

DATED at March 19, 2026

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Theodore Antonopoulos
Vice President
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Attachment A

To the EB-2025-0293

**REPORT OF THE OEB TO THE MINISTER OF NATURAL RESOURCES
APPLICATION BY ENBRIDGE GAS INC. FOR THE 2026 KIMBALL-COLINVILLE
STORAGE POOL WELL DRILLING LICENCE**

Recommended Conditions of Licence

March 19, 2026

Attachment A

Application Under Section 40 of OEB Act

Enbridge Gas Inc.

EB-2025-0293

Recommended Conditions of Licence

1. Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) shall rely on the evidence filed with the OEB in the EB-2025-0293 proceeding and comply with applicable laws, regulations and codes pertaining to the construction of the proposed wells.
2. The authority granted under this licence to Enbridge Gas is not transferable to another party without leave of the OEB. For the purpose of this condition, another party is any party except Enbridge Gas.
3. Enbridge Gas shall construct the facilities and restore the land in accordance with its application and evidence given to the OEB, except as modified by this licence and these Conditions.
4. Enbridge Gas shall implement all the recommendations of the Environmental Report filed in the proceeding.
5. Enbridge Gas shall develop a Project-specific Spill Response Plan prior to the start of well drilling operations and following the installation of the Project facilities, the location of the facilities will be added to Enbridge Gas's Emergency Response Plan.
6. Prior to commencement of construction of the Proposed Well, Enbridge Gas shall obtain all necessary approvals, permits, licences, certificates, agreements and rights required to construct, operate and maintain the proposed well.
7. Enbridge Gas shall ensure that the movement of equipment is carried out in compliance with all procedures filed with the OEB, and as follows:
 - i. Enbridge Gas shall make reasonable efforts to keep the affected landowner(s) as well as adjacent landowners and their respective tenant

- farmers, or their designated representatives, informed of its plans and construction activities; and
- ii. The installation of facilities and construction shall be coordinated to minimize disruption of agricultural land and agricultural activities.
8. Enbridge Gas shall, subject to the recommendation of an independent tile contractor and subject to the landowner's approval, construct upstream and downstream drainage headers adjacent to the drilling area and access roads that cross existing systematic drainage tiles, prior to the delivery of heavy equipment, so that continual drainage will be maintained.
 9. Concurrent with the final monitoring report referred to in Condition 10(b), Enbridge Gas shall file a Post Construction Financial Report, which shall provide a variance analysis of project cost, schedule and scope compared to the estimates filed in this proceeding, including the extent to which the project contingency was utilized. Enbridge Gas shall also file a copy of the Post Construction Financial Report in the proceeding where the actual capital costs of the Project are proposed to be included in rate base or any proceeding where Enbridge Gas proposes to start collecting revenues associated with the Project, whichever is earlier.
 10. Both during and after construction, Enbridge Gas shall monitor the impacts of construction, and shall file with the OEB one electronic (searchable PDF) version of each of the following reports:
 - a) A Post Construction Report, within three months of the in-service date, which shall:
 - i. Provide a certification, by a senior executive of the company, of Enbridge Gas's adherence to Condition 1
 - ii. Describe any impacts and outstanding concerns identified during construction
 - iii. Describe the actions taken or planned to be taken to prevent or mitigate any identified impacts of construction
 - iv. Include a log of all complaints received by Enbridge Gas, including the date/time the complaint was received, a description of the complaint, any actions taken to address the complaint, the rationale for taking such actions

- v. Provide a certification, by a senior executive of the company, that the company has obtained all other approvals, permits, licences, and certificates required to construct, operate and maintain the proposed project.
- b) A Final Monitoring Report, no later than fifteen months after the in-service date, or, where the deadline falls between December 1 and May 31, the following June 1, which shall:
- i. Provide a certification, by a senior executive of the company, of Enbridge Gas's adherence to Condition 4
 - ii. Describe the condition of any rehabilitated land
 - iii. Describe the effectiveness of any actions taken to prevent or mitigate any identified impacts during construction
 - iv. Include the results of analyses and monitoring programs and any recommendations arising therefrom;
 - v. Include a log of all complaints received by Enbridge Gas, including the date/time the complaint was received, a description of the complaint, any actions taken to address the complaint, the rationale for taking such actions.
11. For the purposes of these conditions, Enbridge Gas shall conform with:
- a) CSA Z341.1-22 "Storage of Hydrocarbons in Underground Formations" to the satisfaction of the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR)
 - b) And the requirements for well as specified in the *Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act*, its Regulation 245/97, and the Provincial Operating Standards v.3 to the satisfaction of MNR.
12. Enbridge Gas shall designate one of its employees as project manager who will be the point of contact for these conditions and shall provide the employee's name and contact information to MNR, the OEB and to all affected landowners, and shall clearly post the project manager's contact information in a prominent place at the construction site.