



Enbridge Gas Inc.

**Application for leave to construct natural gas pipeline
and associated facilities in the Town of East Gwillimbury
with potential pipeline sections in the Township of King,
Town of Georgina, and Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville**

**PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 5
March 19, 2026**

Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) applied to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on November 28, 2023, under sections 90 and 97 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, for an order granting leave to construct natural gas pipeline in the Town of East Gwillimbury with potential pipeline sections in the of Township of King, Town of Georgina, and Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville (the Application).

Pursuant to Procedural Order No.1, OEB staff and intervenors filed interrogatories by March 19, 2024. Enbridge Gas was required to file its interrogatory responses by April 4, 2024. Enbridge Gas filed a letter on April 3, 2024, advising that its interrogatory responses could not be filed by April 4, 2024, and requested that the Application be placed in abeyance. Enbridge Gas cited the need to update the pre-filed evidence due to the omission of a section of pipeline in the Environmental Report (ER).

In Procedural Order No. 2, the OEB placed the Application into abeyance as of April 3, 2024, and ordered Enbridge Gas to file the updated evidence no later than June 21, 2024.

The OEB issued Procedural Order No. 3 on September 20, 2024, lifting the Application out of abeyance and setting out a process that included interrogatories on the updated evidence; responses to all interrogatories filed in the proceeding (pursuant to both Procedural Orders No. 1 and No. 3); and submissions on the need for a technical conference.

In Decision and Procedural Order No. 4 on January 13, 2025, the OEB denied, amongst other things, the request for a technical conference. Pursuant to Procedural Order No. 4, Enbridge Gas filed its Argument-in-Chief, intervenors and OEB staff filed submissions, and Enbridge Gas filed its reply to submissions.

On March 19, 2025, the OEB placed the Application into abeyance pending receipt of the Ministry of Energy and Mines' Letter of Opinion on the sufficiency of Indigenous consultation.

On February 13, 2026, Enbridge Gas filed an updated Application which included Ministry of Energy and Mines' Letter of Opinion.

The Letter of Opinion provided the Ministry of Energy and Mines' view that the procedural aspects of the Crown's duty to consult delegated and undertaken by Enbridge Gas for the Application are satisfactory. However, the Letter of Opinion noted several requests made by Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation to Enbridge Gas during consultation on the East Gwillimbury project. Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation requested that Enbridge Gas share all future project documents and plans filed with the OEB directly with them, engage in real-time adaptive environmental mitigation during construction and for 15 months afterward, and commit to ongoing, lifecycle-duration consultation and engagement reflective of long-term stewardship principles.

On March 19, 2026, the OEB issued a letter to the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation inviting responses to several clarifying questions - in addition to any further comments on the Application, requesting that any responses be filed by April 1, 2026.

By way of this procedural order, the OEB is providing a schedule for any comments from Enbridge Gas to response to Ministry of Energy and Mines' Letter of Opinion and any responses by Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation.

Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. Enbridge Gas shall file a written response, if any, to the Ministry of Energy and Mines Letter of Opinion and response to any comments filed by the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation with the OEB and serve it on all parties and Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation, by **April 8, 2026**.

Parties are responsible for ensuring that any documents they file with the OEB, such as applicant and intervenor evidence, interrogatories and responses to interrogatories or any other type of document, **do not include personal information** (as that phrase is defined in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*), unless filed in accordance with rule 9A of the OEB's [Rules of Practice and Procedure](#).

Please quote file number, **EB-2023-0343** for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the [OEB's online filing portal](#).

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All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar and be received by end of business, 4:45 p.m., on the required date.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Arturo Lau at Arturo.Lau@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, **March 19, 2026**

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