



Intervention Form

Case Number:

EB-2026-0128

Requesting information on behalf:

Of an organization

Intervenor Name:

The Corporation of the County of Middlesex

Mandate and Objectives:

To ensure that the proposed transmission line does not have unreasonable or undue consequences to public lands, including but not limited to woodlands and highways, owned by or under the jurisdiction of the County and to private lands of rate payers. To ensure that the proposed transmission line and all associated work aligns with County policies, operations and budget.

Membership of the Intervenor and Constituency Represented:

Membership of the intervenor are the rate payers of The Corporation of the County of Middlesex.

Programs or Activities Carried Out by the Intervenor:

The intervenor is an upper-tier municipality. As an upper-tier municipality the intervenor

carries out the standard functions of municipalities provided for under the Municipal Act, 2001, including but not limited to infrastructure, roads, servicing, engineering and economic development.

Governance Structure:

The intervenor representatives are the in-house legal department for the County of Middlesex. The legal department reports to and receives instructions from directors and CAO's, who obtain direction from Council for the County of Middlesex.

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Frequent Intervenor Form:

Add all individuals listed on our Frequent Intervenor Form as contacts for this proceeding:

N/A

Names and email addresses of individuals to be added as contacts for this proceeding:

N/A

OEB Proceedings:

Item Description	Category	Status
2026-0009	OEB Consultations – Natural Gas	Granted

Issues:

The County of Middlesex is materially impacted by the proceeding as the preferred transmission line route requires Hydro One to take certain County owned lands, including but not limited to a woodlot. The construction of the transmission line and/or infrastructure will require a large number of trees to be removed and will reduce the value and enjoyment of the impacted lands. The preferred transmission line will also impact certain public highways under the jurisdiction of the County of Middlesex by way of road crossings and/or work within the respective road allowances.

Policy Interests:

The County of Middlesex represents a municipal policy interest in infrastructure planning and maintenance (including roads and rights of way), public safety, and prudent fiscal management of public lands, as reflected in its Official Plan. These interests are directly engaged by the proposed transmission line, including pre-construction and construction activities, easement takings and highway closures, and the treatment of any decommissioned transmission lines.

Hearings:

Any of the formats would be acceptable, with preference to written and/or an electronic hearing. These formats would be most conducive to the intervenor and its respective interests in terms of making submissions.

Evidence:

At this time, the County does not intend to file evidence but reserves the right to do so in accordance with the OEB rules and any future procedural orders or as the evidentiary record is further developed.

Coordination with Other Intervenors:

The County of Middlesex will make reasonable efforts to coordinate its intervention with other lower-tier municipalities within its geographic boundaries, only to the extent that the interests of such other intervenors aligns with the County's.

Cost Awards:

The County seeks cost award eligibility as a municipality participating in an OEB proceeding. The County primarily represents a municipal policy perspective relevant to the Board's mandate and this proceeding, including interests relating to infrastructure planning and maintenance, public safety, and prudent fiscal management of public lands. These interests are directly engaged by the proposed transmission line, and the County's participation will assist the OEB in understanding municipal impacts and ensuring a balanced and practical outcome. The County intends to participate responsibly and efficiently. The County meets the criteria set out in Section 3.03, subject to Sections 3.05 and 3.07.

Language Preference:

No.