

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998,
S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B) (the “Act”);

AND IN THE MATTER OF an Application by Enbridge
Gas Distribution Inc. for an order granting leave to
construct an NPS 8 and NPS 6 natural gas distribution
pipeline in the City of Toronto under section 90 of the
Act.

LEAVE TO CONSTRUCT APPLICATION: LIBERTY VILLAGE

1. The Applicant, Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (“Enbridge”) is an Ontario corporation with its head office in the City of Toronto. It carries on the business of selling, distributing, transmitting, and storing natural gas within Ontario.
2. Liberty Village is a neighborhood within the City of Toronto. A portion of the gas distribution system that feeds into Liberty Village does not have the gas capacity to support recent load requests. Enbridge has received several requests for gas distribution service from real estate developers seeking to build condominiums and mixed use buildings in Liberty Village. A reinforcement of the natural gas distribution system in Liberty Village is required to support these requests and current and future natural gas demand in the area.
3. The Liberty Village Pipeline Project (the “Project”) will make natural gas available to 7 new condominiums and mixed use towers in Liberty Village. The Project will also ensure that four hundred and eleven existing commercial, industrial and residential customers will have uninterrupted natural gas distribution service

4. Enbridge hereby applies to the Ontario Energy Board for leave to construct approximately 1.2km of natural gas pipeline in the City of Toronto. The Project is comprised of two sections of pipeline. The first section of pipeline is reinforcement to the existing distribution system and the second section of pipeline will allow the provision of gas distribution service to new customers in the Liberty Village. A map showing the proposed pipeline route can be found in Exhibit B, Tab 1, Schedule 1, Attachment 1. /u

5. The first section of the proposed pipeline is 900 m of Nominal Pipeline Size (“NPS 8”) Intermediate Pressure (“IP”) steel natural gas main originating at King Street and Jefferson Avenue where it connects to the existing NPS 12 IP steel natural gas main. The first section of pipeline terminates at the existing NPS 6 IP gas main at Pirandello Street. The second section of the proposed pipeline consists of two individual segments of pipe. The first segment, which is approximately 200 m of NPS 6 IP plastic gas main, starts at Strachan Avenue and Ordnance Street heading east on Ordnance Street and following Ordnance Street south for approximately 90 m. The second segment is approximately 85 m of NPS 4 IP plastic gas main which will begin on Western Battery Road where it will connect to a existing gas main at the intersection of Western Battery Road and East Liberty Street. /u

6. The route and location for the proposed facilities associated with the Project were selected by an independent environmental consultant through the process outlined in the Ontario Energy Board’s *“Environmental Guidelines for the Location, Construction, and Operation of Hydrocarbon Pipelines and Facilities in Ontario”* (7th Edition, 2016) (the “Guidelines”). Input from the public was sought during the route selection process and was incorporated into the final route decision.

7. Pursuant to the Guidelines, Enbridge requested that the Ministry of Energy (the “MOE”) determine if there is any Duty to Consult requirements for the Project.

The MOE has not delegated the procedural aspects of the Duty to Consult for the Project to Enbridge.

8. To meet the in-service date of February 2019 and to meet customer gas demand requirements, Enbridge must commence construction by September 2018. The proposed construction schedule will enable customers to use natural gas for the 2018/2019 heating season.
9. Enbridge requests this Application proceed by way of written hearing in English.
10. Enbridge requests the Board issue the following Orders:
 - (i) pursuant to section 90 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1988*, S.O., 1988, c-15, Schedule B, an Order granting leave to construct the pipelines.
 - (ii) pursuant to section 97 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c-15, Schedule B, an Order approving the form of easement agreements found at Exhibit F, Tab 1, Schedule 3.
11. Enbridge requests that copies of all documents filed with the Board in connection with this proceeding be served on it and on its counsel, as follows:

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