

ENBRIDGE GAS INC.  
Answer to Interrogatory from  
Board Staff (STAFF)

Reference: AMP – Exhibit C1/Tab 2/Schedule 1/Pgs. 964-965

Question:

The business case for the York Region Reinforcement does not provide the primary issue/concern. The Issue/Concern section is generic and does not explain why the York Region Reinforcement will be required and how the magnitude of the costs are justified.

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**Response**

The York Region area is experiencing significant load growth, and the distribution system in the region will require additional infrastructure to support the forecasted growth. Regulator station inlet pressures at the Baseline and McCowan Station are low and indicate growth in the downstream system. This station is furthest from the Gate Stations feeding York Region and the supply to this area will need to be reinforced to sustain growth in the downstream systems. Historical pressure data indicates that minimum pressures are being reached at the tag end of the system. System pressure and flow biasing is being used to ensure a predictable and reliable supply of gas to the Keswick area. The reduction in regulator station inlet pressure and the current flow biasing activities indicate an impending need to reinforce the system. Forecasting and pipeline modeling activities have indicated that customer growth will continue to increase demand on the system further reducing pressures.

There are a number of components to this reinforcement as detailed in the business case, those portions of the project that meet the criteria for a leave to construct will be filed at a future date.