

July 30, 2024

Tammy Godden
Clerk
Municipality of St. Charles
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Subject: Notice of Second Virtual Public Information Session for St. Charles Community Expansion Project

Dear Tammy Godden:

Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas) is proposing to construct facilities to provide natural gas distribution service to the community of St. Charles (the Project), with the purpose of the Project being to provide residents, businesses, and industries located within the Project area with access to safe, reliable, and affordable natural gas distribution services, in accordance with Ontario's Natural Gas Expansion Program.

The Project is planned to be mainly within the existing municipal Right-of-Way (ROW) with additional Temporary Working Space (TWS) potentially required for lay-down, storage and excess soils management.

The following Preliminary Preferred Route and Alternative Routes were presented at the recent virtual and in-person public information sessions, held between June 24 – July 12:

Preliminary Preferred Route

- A tie-in into the existing Enbridge Gas system at Nipissing Road and Seguin Road and running south along Nipissing Road to Dupuis Road. From the Dupuis Road and Nipissing Road intersection, running west along Dupuis Road to Highway 535, and then south along Highway 535 to the community of St. Charles.

Alternative Route 1

- A tie-in into the existing Enbridge Gas system at Highway 535 and Northern Central Road and running south along Highway 535 to the community of St. Charles.

Alternative Route 2

- A tie-in into the existing Enbridge Gas system at an existing valve site, located north off of Sutcliffe Road (west of Stewart Road), running along the stations' access road, then eastward to Nipissing Road, then following the original Preliminary Preferred Route southward to the community of St. Charles.

Alternative Route 3

- A tie-in into the existing Enbridge Gas system at an existing valve site, located north off of Sutcliffe Road (west of Stewart Road), running south along the stations' access road, then eastward to Stewart Road, then west and south along Nipissing Road to Dupuis Road (following the original Preliminary Preferred Route southward to the community of St. Charles).

In all cases, a station is required at the tie-in point, to accommodate additional customers onto the distribution system.

Upon consideration of the feedback received during the noted public information sessions, the proposed routes were evaluated further, which has resulted in the selection of a Preferred Route shown on the attached figure.

AECOM has been retained by Enbridge Gas to complete an environmental study to assess the potential environmental and socio-economic effects that may result from the Project, as well as document the results of a consultation program, summarized in an Environmental Report (ER). The study will fulfill the requirements of the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) "Environmental Guidelines for the Location, Construction and Operation of Hydrocarbon Projects and Facilities in Ontario, 8th Edition (2023)", and will include a consultation program, impact assessment and a cumulative effects assessment. An Environmental Report summarizing the results of the Environmental Study will accompany Enbridge Gas' application to the OEB as part of the application requesting leave to construct (LTC). The Environmental Report for the study is anticipated to be completed in late 2024, after which Enbridge Gas may file an LTC application. Should the OEB find the Project to be in the public's interest, construction of the Project could begin as early as Q4 2025, pending receipt of all permits and approvals.

A key part of the planning process involves consultation with Indigenous Communities, local landowners, government agencies and other interested parties that could be impacted by the Project. A second virtual public information session is planned to provide interested parties with an update on the Project, along with an opportunity to learn about and comment on the proposed Preferred Route.

The purpose of this letter is to invite you to attend the second virtual public information session and provide feedback in a format that is convenient for you:

Public Information Session	
Virtual Public Information Session #2	Date: Materials will be available to view between August 9 to August 23, 2024. Website: ca.planengage.com/stcharlescommunityexpansion

A questionnaire will be available as part of the second virtual public information session, which will provide you with the opportunity to provide comments and/or questions about the Project. Input received during the second virtual public information session will be used to confirm the selection of the Preferred Route and to develop site-specific environmental protection and mitigation measures for the Project. A copy of the second virtual public information session story boards will also be available for viewing on the Enbridge Gas Project website at: <https://www.enbridgegas.com/residential/new-customers/community-expansion/st-charles>.

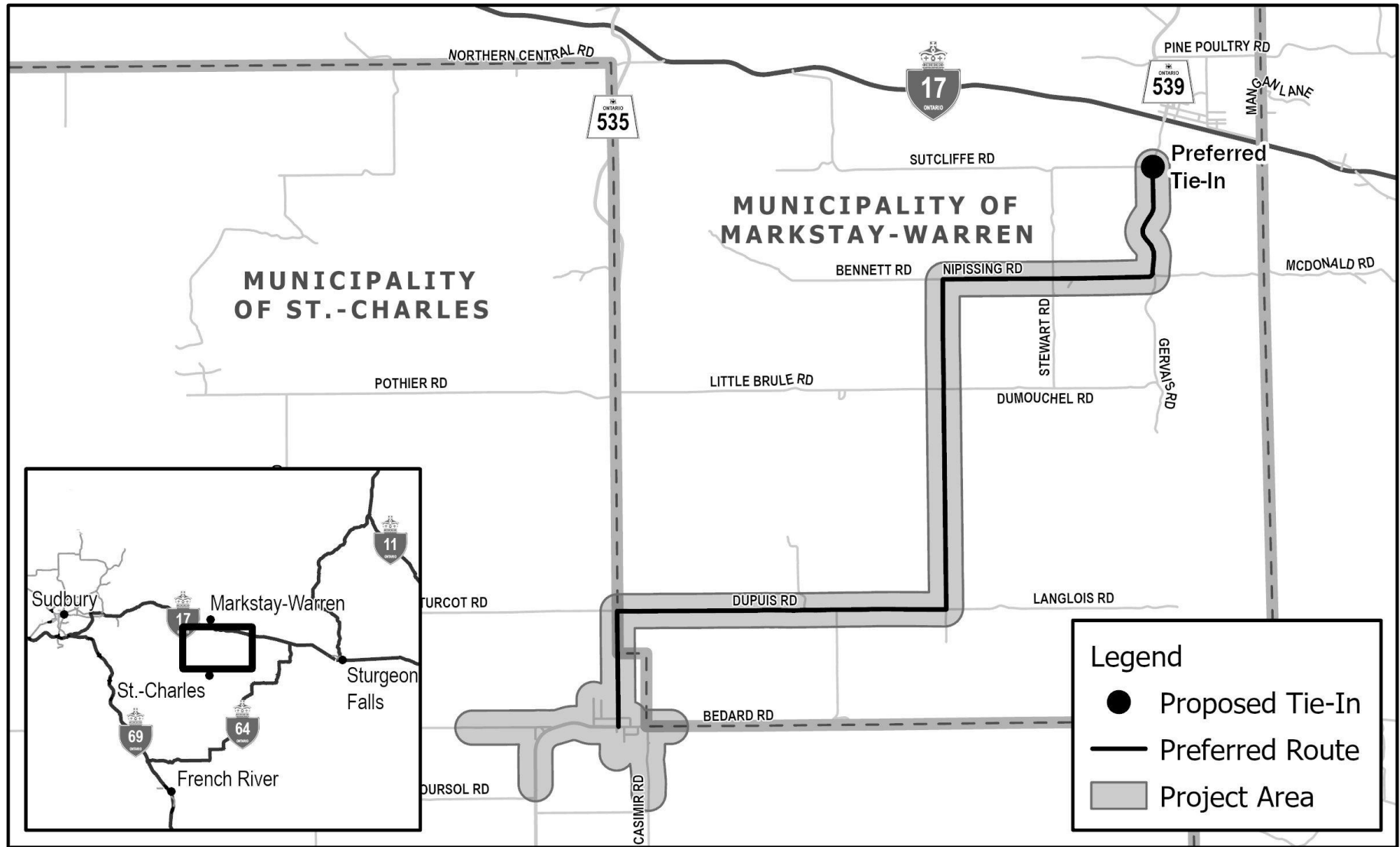
If you have any questions about the Project or the environmental study process, please do not hesitate to contact me using the information provided below.

Sincerely,



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Municipalities of Markstay-Warren and St.-Charles

The location of the Project study area encompassing the proposed route is shown on the attached figure. The project study area has been developed for purposes of an assessment of potential environmental and socioeconomic impacts and does not represent the final project scope/design that will provide access to natural gas to end-use customers, or indicate final route locations.

