

# Rockcliffe Control Station Relocation Project

Enbridge Gas operates the Niagara Gas Transmission Limited (NGTL)-owned natural gas pressure regulation station located near the intersection of Sir George-Étienne Cartier Parkway and Hillsdale Road in Ottawa. This station, known as the Rockcliffe Control Station, safely reduces the pressure of natural gas that is delivered from the Enbridge Gas St. Laurent pipeline to the NGTL export pipeline that crosses the Ottawa River and serves Gatineau, Québec.

## Project overview

The Rockcliffe Control Station was installed on the Ontario side of the Ottawa River on National Capital Commission (NCC) lands in 1985 to address reports of low natural gas pressure in Aylmer, Québec. It is located at the bottom of a ravine deep within a heavily forested area that is often inaccessible to Enbridge Gas personnel, particularly during the winter, and is served by a single footpath of approximately 500 metres in length across uneven terrain which presents a slip and fall hazard. In addition, the station was constructed within a small building as defined by standards at that time, posing safety concerns when maintenance activities are required. The engineering design of the station, in particular the valving configuration and regulators, is also outdated.

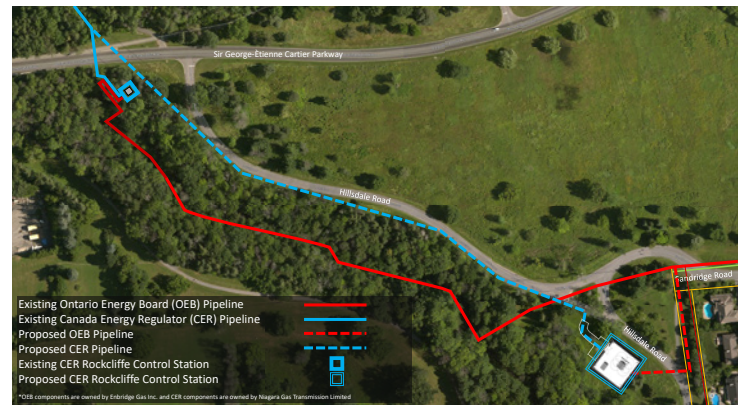
Enbridge Gas is proposing to build a new natural gas pressure regulation station, also on NCC lands, approximately 390 metres southeast from its current location at a more accessible location that meets current safety and engineering design standards.

The station and associated export pipeline are regulated by the Canada Energy Regulator (CER) while the St. Laurent pipeline is regulated by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB). An application to the CER for the construction of the new station, including a pipeline reconnecting the new station to the existing river crossing, is anticipated to be filed in early 2023. This fact sheet addresses the CER-regulated components of the project.

## Project scope

The CER-regulated components of this project include the following:

- Construction of the new Rockcliffe Control Station
- Construction of a pipeline reconnecting this station to the existing river crossing
- Decommissioning and removal of the current station and a small section of pipeline from the current station to the river crossing



Decommissioning and removal of the portion of the St. Laurent pipeline to the current Rockcliffe Control Station is regulated by the OEB and will not be covered as part of the CER application.

## Environment

Environmental field studies commenced in 2019 as part of a related project proposed by Enbridge Gas that is known as the St. Laurent Ottawa North Pipeline Project. Additional environmental studies are planned for 2022 and 2023 in keeping with NCC and CER requirements, including an air quality assessment, a noise assessment and an environmental and socio-economic assessment. With respect to the design of the new Rockcliffe Control Station, Enbridge Gas will work with the NCC, who works in collaboration with stakeholders to ensure that the highest standards of excellence in urban and architectural design are upheld. Additionally, the design of the new Rockcliffe Control Station will comply with the NCC's Bird-Safe Design Guidelines, which include best practices for landscaping, lighting and building design. An environmental protection plan to support mitigation planning will also be prepared prior to construction.

Noise and dust from general construction activities are to be expected. Enbridge Gas will mitigate noise and disturbance to the area by scheduling construction during daylight hours where practical, by ensuring that construction equipment has appropriate mufflers, and by implementing dust control measures as necessary.

## Indigenous and community engagement

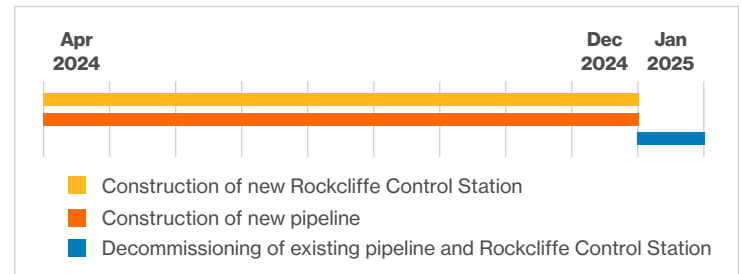
Enbridge Gas is committed to engaging with Indigenous communities, landowners, members of the public and other potentially affected or interested parties. By understanding these interests early on in the process, we are in a better position to incorporate them into project planning. Open dialogue will continue throughout the planning, construction and operation phases of this project.



## Preliminary project timelines

The preliminary project schedule is as follows:

- **Construction of the new Rockcliffe Control Station:**  
April – December 2024
- **Construction of the new pipeline:**  
April – December 2024
- **Decommissioning of the existing pipeline and existing Rockcliffe Control Station:**  
January 2025



The project scope and timelines detailed in this fact sheet are subject to change.

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We are always available to answer your questions and discuss any comments or concerns you may have.

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