



EPCOR SOUTHERN BRUCE NATURAL GAS PROJECT

Construction Update Summer 2020
Gas is Flowing Soon!

PROJECT OVERVIEW

EPCOR is proud to be constructing a distribution system that will connect customers to natural gas in the communities of Chesley, Paisley, Inverhuron, Tiverton, Kincardine, Lurgan Beach, Point Clark, Ripley and Lucknow, as well as the Bruce Energy Centre, by the end of 2021.

UPCOMING CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY

Beginning July 18, 2020, from Dornoch to the Bruce Energy Centre, EPCOR will commence pressurization of approximately 57km of pipeline with natural gas. In its pure state, natural gas has no smell, colour or taste so, at this time, EPCOR will be adding Methyl Mercaptan to make it smell like Sulphur or rotten eggs.

Natural gas is a safe and reliable fuel source so leaks are rare but adding this odorant makes it easier to detect a leak, if it occurs. Once the pipeline is in service, EPCOR will continue odorant monitoring to ensure this odour is detectable throughout the system.

While you may notice odour as a result of our work at this time, it could also be from a small natural gas leak so we ask that you please notify us immediately if you smell Sulphur or rotten eggs in the area so we can confirm if it is part of our planned work or requires immediate attention.

ODOUR ALERT

If you smell Sulphur or rotten eggs in the area, we ask that you call EPCOR at 1-888-765-2256.

CALL BEFORE YOU DIG

As natural gas will now be present in the service network in your area, you must call Ontario One Call before you plan any digging or any other actions that disturbs the ground. As a landowner, you have the right to dig on your property but just sinking a shovel into the ground could cause serious injury, widespread disruption or costly repairs, and under Ontario regulations you could be held liable for all of it.

Be sure to contact **Ontario One Call at 1-800-400-2255 or OntarioOneCall.ca** before digging on your property or around the construction site to have all underground utilities located.

Gas Pipeline Markers

You may have noticed post markers that have been installed along the pipeline route. These markers provide a general indication of where the natural gas pipeline has been installed but may not be the exact location. Please do not rely on these markers to determine where you believe it is safe to dig.

Always call before you dig!





Lake Huron

GAS BEGINS FLOWING JULY 18, 2020



Bruce Energy Centre



Dornoch

LEGEND

 Large diameter mainline

NATURAL GAS LEAKS

While natural gas is one of the safest fuels, small gas leaks can still occur. Knowing how to detect a leak can help reduce the risks to both people and property. These are the signs to look out for:

- **Smell it:** If you smell Sulphur or rotten eggs outside it could be the Methyl Mercaptan we've added to natural gas to make a leak detectable.
- **See it:** Visible signs of a leak include patches of dead vegetation, blowing dust from holes in the ground, bubbles in wet or flooded areas or even flames. In some cases, spotting vapours or ground frosting of white dust can suggest a leak.
- **Hear it:** A hissing or roaring noise along the right-of-way of a pipeline could also indicate a natural gas leak.

If you suspect a natural gas leak, call EPCOR immediately at 1-888-765-2256. Natural gas isn't toxic but it is flammable so keep the area clear and don't start any motors or motor vehicles near the area.

COVID-19 MEASURES

The health and safety of our customers and staff is our top priority. Due to COVID-19, we need the public to maintain a distance of two meters at all times.

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

EPCOR, along with our construction partner, AECOM, and our environmental consultant, Stantec, are working throughout the construction season. Our hours of work are Monday to Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Occasional evening or Saturday work may be required.

We are maintaining our work areas in a safe and secure manner, and performing our work according to all local bylaws and occupational health, safety and environmental requirements.

To help ensure we all continue to stay safe during construction, please:

- Slow down around construction.
- Obey all traffic and lane controls, including flag people.
- Stay outside of barriers and fences.
- Maintain a distance of two meters from our construction crews as per COVID-19 recommendations.
- Keep children and pets a safe distance away from work sites and equipment.

INTERESTED IN NATURAL GAS?

EPCOR has approval to provide natural gas to certain areas in the municipalities of Arran-Elderslie, Kincardine and Huron-Kinloss. However, we will seek approval to serve customers in additional areas should future expansions be warranted. If you would like to register your interest in receiving natural gas, please contact us.

CONTACT US

Interested in learning more about natural gas? Have a question about the project? Don't hesitate to contact us.

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