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Enbridge Gas Distribution Assists Town of Erin Fire & Emergency Services Department in Supporting Firefighter Training

Town of Erin, ON, August 14, 2018 – Enbridge Gas Distribution is partnering with the Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council to help the Town of Erin Fire & Emergency Service Department purchase firefighting training materials.

"Safety is a priority at Enbridge and we are proud to support Ontario firefighters who share in our commitment to help keep our communities safe," says Ian Moose, Enbridge Gas Distribution.

Project Assist is a program that supplements existing training for Ontario volunteer and composite fire departments in the communities where Enbridge operates.

This year's \$100,000 donation will be shared by 20 Ontario fire departments, including the Town of Erin Fire & Emergency Services Department. Funds will be used to purchase educational materials for firefighters to enhance life-saving techniques.

Since the launch of Project Assist in 2012, 120 grants have been provided to Ontario fire departments for additional firefighter training.

"Ongoing firefighter training enables fire departments to deliver emergency services efficiently and to ensure firefighter safety is maintained," says Ross Nichols, Ontario Fire Marshal and Chair of the Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council. "The support that Project Assist provides is very helpful to the fire departments who receive it, and the volunteer firefighters who benefit from these educational resources. I very much appreciate Enbridge partnering with the Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council, to make this program possible."

"We are grateful to Enbridge Gas Distribution and the Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council for putting together a program of this nature, which allows emergency service teams, like ours, to continue to develop while providing access to additional educational resources," says Fire Chief Jim Sawkins.

"The funds provided by Project Assist allows our emergency responding team to enhance the level of training they receive whilst continuing to provide the residents of Erin an added level of assurance that we have dedicated people in place to service the community," says Mayor Allan Alls.

About the Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council

The Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council (Council) is a registered charity established in 1993 with a mission to help create "a world where no one is hurt by fire." The Council, chaired by the Ontario Fire Marshal and supported by the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management, promotes fire prevention and public education through sponsorships and partnerships with various groups and individuals with an interest in public safety. Follow the Council on Twitter @FMPFSC.

About the Fire Department

The Town of Erin's Fire & Emergency Services department provides emergency services to all of Erin and Hillsburgh, including the surrounding areas. The department services over 297 square kilometers while operating out of two fire halls. The team is made up of 60 qualified volunteer firefighters, two Deputy Chiefs, one Fire Prevention Officer and one Fire Chief.

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About Enbridge Gas Distribution

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