

Blue Flame Newsletter

Fuel for thought about Canada's gas energy industry

The Canadian Gas Association (CGA) is pleased to bring you the latest issue of *Blue Flame*, fuel for thought about Canada's gas energy industry. This publication is for government, industry and public stakeholders who wish to learn more about Canada's natural gas delivery industry. In *Blue Flame*, readers learn about new projects and initiatives from sector companies, innovative technologies that are being researched or developed, and how the industry is engaging stakeholders across the country. Our publication seeks to provide the most recent statistical data, as well as insightful thought pieces on current energy issues. We give readers a view into how natural gas, our infrastructure, and our industry are foundational to Canada's increasingly important energy conversation. We hope you find the content interesting and informative. If you have any comments or questions, please contact news@cga.ca.

Data



Visit the [CGA website](https://www.cga.ca) for more information on these and other statistics the Canadian Gas Association monitors and provides.

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CGA and member news

Enbridge Gas connects Sandford, Ontario to natural gas

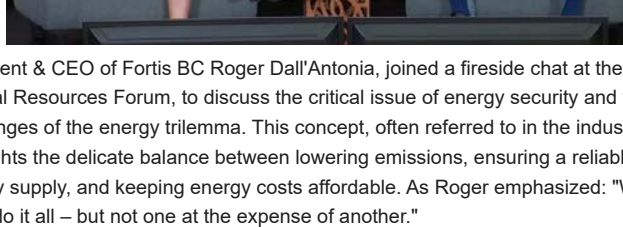


For the first time, many residents, businesses and farms in Sandford, Ontario connected to the natural gas grid in January, as part of the Ontario government's Phase 2 Natural Gas Community Expansion program.

Enbridge Gas received up to \$4.4 million to deliver this community expansion program to more than 180 homes and businesses in addition to the local community centre in Sandford.

The Minister of Energy and Electrification, Stephen Lecce and local MPP Pickering-Uxbridge MPP, Peter Bethlenfalvy celebrated the successful completion of this project at the announcement, for bringing economic growth across the region and energy security to the community.

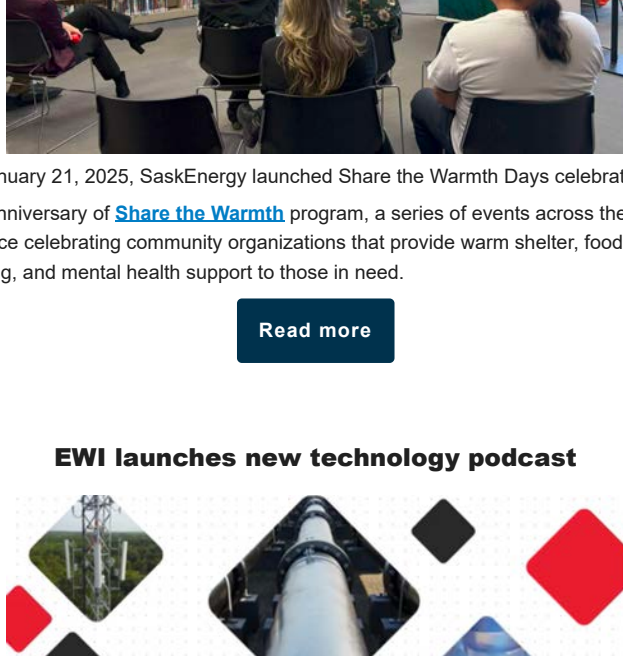
FortisBC's President & CEO Roger Dall'Antonia on the importance of energy security



President & CEO of Fortis BC Roger Dall'Antonia, joined a fireside chat at the BC Natural Resources Forum, to discuss the critical issue of energy security and the challenges of the energy trilemma. This concept, often referred to in the industry, highlights the delicate balance between lowering emissions, ensuring a reliable energy supply, and keeping energy costs affordable. As Roger emphasized: "We must do it all – but not one at the expense of another."

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SaskEnergy celebrates 30th anniversary of Share the Warmth program



On January 21, 2025, SaskEnergy launched Share the Warmth Days celebrating the 30th anniversary of [Share the Warmth](#) program, a series of events across the province celebrating community organizations that provide warm shelter, food, clothing, and mental health support to those in need.

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EWI launches new technology podcast



In January 2025, EWI launched episode one of its new EWI Technology Podcast. This podcast will explore the latest innovations and advancements in materials joining technologies. In the first episode, Joshua James, EWI's Senior Technology Leader in the Corrosion and Environmental Testing Group, discusses environmental testing challenges, CCUS, and the evolving role of hydrogen as a fuel source, along with its interaction with infrastructure. The EWI Technology podcast can be found on [Spotify](#) and [YouTube](#).

Events

Register now for CGA's Energy Security Summit 2025

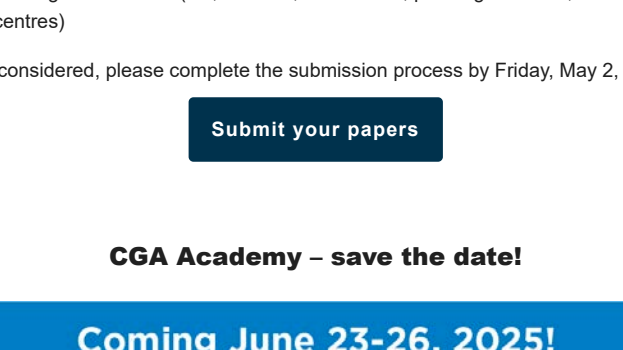


Geopolitical shifts and increased cyber threats are putting global energy security at risk. It is a growing crisis that demands immediate attention. Register now for the inaugural CGA Energy Security Summit in Ottawa, March 25 to 26, 2025. This two-day conference will unite energy leaders, security experts, and decision-makers to discuss the evolving global threat landscape, Canada's role in supporting energy security, and the technological advancements needed to protect and enhance energy systems.

[Join us](#) for this pivotal event to shape the future of Canadian energy security, enhance collaboration, and drive forward-thinking solutions.

[Register now](#)

Call for paper abstracts for CGA Energy Nexus and Annual Technical Conference 2025



The Canadian Gas Association is now accepting paper abstracts for the CGA Energy Nexus and Annual Technical Conference 2025. We invite submissions on the following topics, though all relevant proposals are welcome:

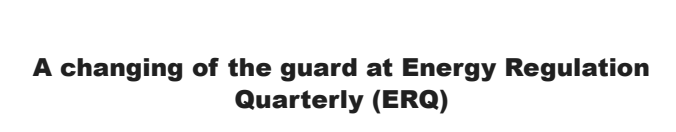
- Health & safety
- Expansion or infrastructure projects
- Integrity & risk management
- Reliability & resiliency/incident responses
- Renewable gases (hydrogen & RNG)
- End-use technologies (gas heat pumps, CHPs, hybrid heating, etc.)
- Other gas end-users (i.e., builders, restaurants, power generation, AI data centres)

To be considered, please complete the submission process by Friday, May 2, 2025.

[Submit your papers](#)

CGA Academy – save the date!

Coming June 23-26, 2025!



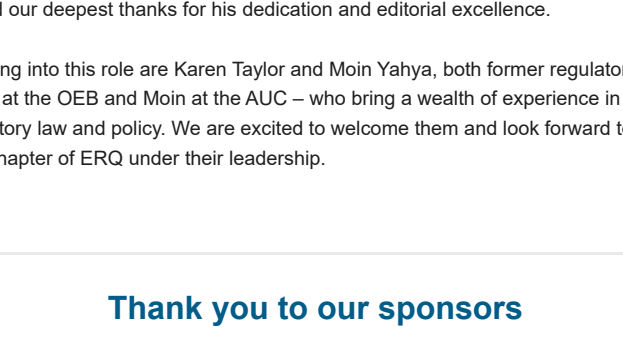
Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre

In 2025, the CGA Academy will bring together two well-established programs – the Gas Measurement and Regulation School (GMRS) and the Economic Regulations School (formerly the Regulatory Course) – under a unified platform from June 23 to June 26. This integration enhances learning opportunities, streamlines access to key regulatory insights and fosters a more comprehensive educational experience.

The CGA Academy is designed to equip professionals in the Canadian natural gas delivery industry with the latest industry knowledge, practical skills, and expert-led instruction. Through specialized courses and best practices, the CGA Academy supports ongoing professional growth, safety, and operational excellence.

Media / Publications

A changing of the guard at Energy Regulation Quarterly (ERQ)



Karen Taylor

Moin Yahya

The next issue of Energy Regulation Quarterly (ERQ) will mark an important transition as Rowland Harrison steps down from the editorial helm after more than 11 years of insightful leadership. Rowland has been a guiding force since ERQ's inception, shaping its reputation for rigorous analysis and thoughtful discourse. We extend our deepest thanks for his dedication and editorial excellence.

Stepping into this role are Karen Taylor and Moin Yahya, both former regulators – Karen at the OEB and Moin at the AUC – who bring a wealth of experience in regulatory law and policy. We are excited to welcome them and look forward to the next chapter of ERQ under their leadership.

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