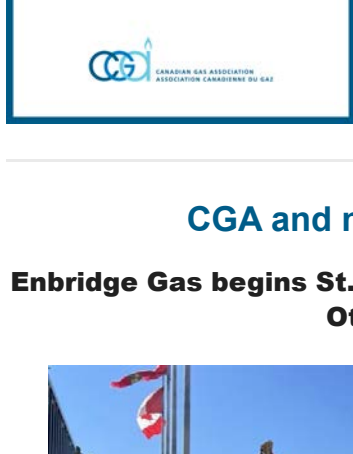


Blue Flame Newsletter

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. In Blue Flame, we highlight new projects and initiatives from sector companies, innovative technologies being researched or developed, and how the industry is engaging stakeholders across the country. Our publication provides the most recent statistical data and 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 energy security. 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](#) for more information on these and other statistics the Canadian Gas Association monitors and provides.

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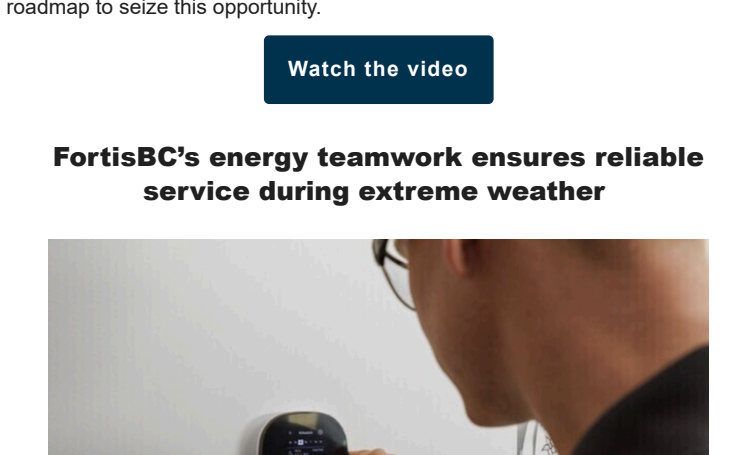
CGA and member news

Enbridge Gas begins St. Laurent pipeline project in Ottawa



Enbridge Gas Ontario broke ground on a large-scale capital project in Ottawa this month to replace portions of its St. Laurent pipeline, a vital part of its natural gas distribution network in the National Capital Region. This pipeline, originally installed in the late 1950s, directly and indirectly supplies natural gas to approximately 168,000 homes, businesses, and institutions in Ottawa and in Gatineau, Quebec. The project will replace approximately 14.4 km of this pipeline to ensure the continued safe and reliable delivery of natural gas to these customers. Construction will continue throughout this year and into 2026.

TC Energy's President and CEO on seizing Canada's time-bound opportunity



TC Energy President and CEO, [François Poirier, spoke to the Canadian Club Toronto](#), an audience that included representatives from government, media and the energy, financial and corporate sectors, sharing an ambitious path for Canada to be the number one exporter of LNG to Asia and outlining a roadmap to seize this opportunity.

[Watch the video](#)

FortisBC's energy teamwork ensures reliable service during extreme weather



As both a gas and electricity provider, FortisBC knows the importance of meeting spikes in demand during weather extremes. Michelle Carman, FortisBC's Vice President of Customer Service and External Communications, outlines how energy teamwork helps keep B.C. safe in any weather, with energy conservation programs, and energy diversity and infrastructure investments: all helping manage periods of high demand.

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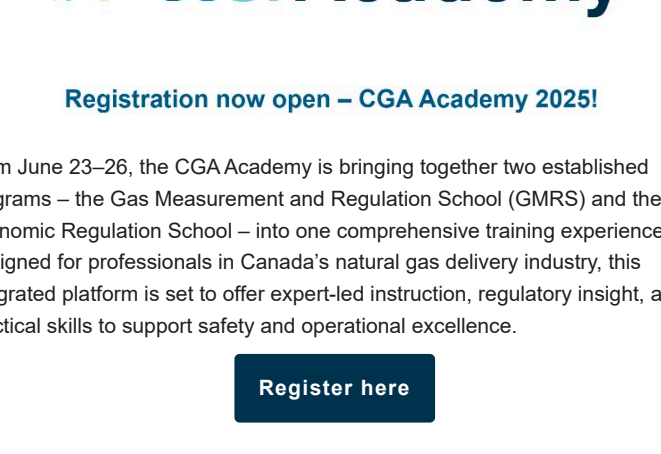
FortisBC hits 20-year low in gas line damages through safe digging and training



FortisBC celebrates a significant safety milestone as gas line damages hit a 20-year low in 2024. With nearly 170,000 BC 1 Call requests and proactive contractor training, the number of incidents has significantly decreased. Before any digging, it's crucial to click or call BC 1 Call to avoid service interruptions, prevent costly repairs and ensure community safety.

[Read more](#)

EWI – Polymers and Plastics Welding



EWI will be hosting an informative webinar on June 10, 2:00-3:00pm EST on Plastics Welding Essentials – A Preview with Dr. Miranda Marcus. More details and registration will be available on EWI's [website](#).

Also related to plastics, in a recent paper, EWI discusses the use of polymers for pipelines and CCUS and how these materials are affected when exposed to CO2 in a range of different processing conditions.

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Events

Register now for CGA Academy 2025

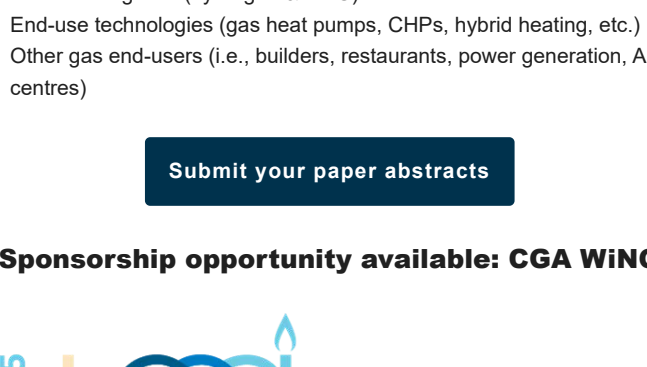


Registration now open – CGA Academy 2025!

From June 23–26, the CGA Academy is bringing together two established programs – the Gas Measurement and Regulation School (GMRS) and the Economic Regulation School – into one comprehensive training experience. Designed for professionals in Canada's natural gas delivery industry, this integrated platform is set to offer expert-led instruction, regulatory insight, and practical skills to support safety and operational excellence.

[Register here](#)

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



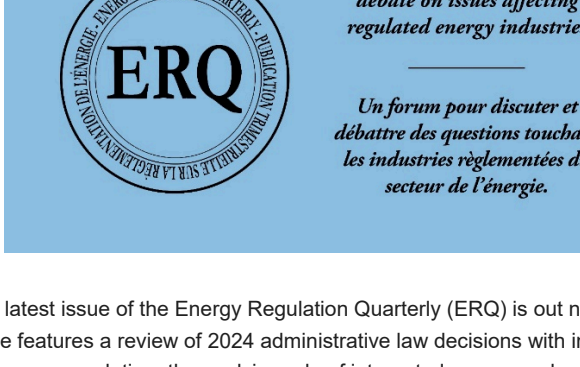
The deadline to submit paper abstracts for the CGA Energy Nexus and Annual Technical Conference 2025 has been extended until May 20.

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)

[Submit your paper abstracts](#)

Sponsorship opportunity available: CGA WiNG



The Canadian Gas Association (CGA) is proud to introduce WiNG — Women in Natural Gas — a new initiative designed to support leadership development and professional growth across the gas energy sector. This three-part program will help shape a resilient, skilled, and future-focused workforce by fostering meaningful connections, mentorship opportunities, and career development for participants.

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Media / Publications

Issue 1, 2025 of Energy Regulation Quarterly (ERQ) is now available

The latest issue of the Energy Regulation Quarterly (ERQ) is out now. This issue features a review of 2024 administrative law decisions with implications for energy regulation, the evolving role of integrated resource planning, the value of wind energy in Ontario's nuclear and hydro-heavy grid, and much more.

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