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Enbridge Gas teams up with Tiny Fire and Emergency Services to Reduce Fire and Carbon Monoxide Deaths through Safe Community Project Zero

TINY, ON, Tuesday, December 13, 2022 – Today, Enbridge Gas Inc. (Enbridge Gas), the Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council (FMPFSC) and Tiny Fire and Emergency Services announced they are working together to improve home safety and bring fire and carbon monoxide-related deaths down to zero.

Tiny Fire and Emergency Services received 180 combination smoke and carbon monoxide alarms through Safe Community Project Zero—a public education campaign that will provide more than 8,000 alarms to residents in 50 municipalities across Ontario.

This year, Enbridge Gas invested \$250,000 in Safe Community Project Zero, and over the past 14 years, the program has provided more than 76,000 alarms to Ontario fire departments.

When properly installed and maintained, combination smoke and carbon monoxide alarms help provide the early warning to safely escape from a house fire or carbon monoxide exposure. Carbon monoxide is a toxic, odourless gas that is a by-product of incomplete combustion of many types of common fuels.

"Carbon monoxide is known as the 'silent killer' for a reason, and evidence shows that prevention saves lives. We know that the best way to avoid carbon monoxide exposure is to eliminate it at the source by properly maintaining fuel-burning equipment, and that the alarms are a critical second line of defense to protect against carbon monoxide poisoning," says Mike Sangregorio, GTA West Region Senior Operations Advisor, Enbridge Gas.

"The objective of Safe Community Project Zero is to deliver combination smoke and carbon monoxide alarms to residents in Ontario communities who need them the most," says Jon Pegg, Ontario Fire Marshal and Chair of the FMPFSC. "It's a program that fire departments can adopt to help educate their communities about the requirement for all Ontario homes to have a CO alarm if they have a fuel-burning appliance or an attached garage."

"The Township of Tiny would like to thank the Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council and Enbridge for selecting our community for this grant and for their ongoing efforts towards fire prevention through Project Zero," says Fire Chief Dave Flewelling. We are very grateful to be equipped with 180 new combination alarms for distribution to the residents in need," he adds.

"Tiny believes that partnerships like these educate and prepare our community to improve individual home safety. Participating in Project Zero will help Tiny get smoke and carbon monoxide alarms to residents, ensuring they and their loved ones are kept safe," says Mayor David Evans.

About Tiny Fire and Emergency Services

We exist to serve our 'customers.' Tiny Fire and Emergency Services operates with a complement of dedicated volunteers who provide a variety of services to our residents and visitors, and we strive to make our municipality a fire-safe place to live, work, and play. The department is currently comprised of a fire chief, deputy fire chief, division chief, district chief, fire inspector, five station captains, 10 lieutenants, two public education officers, a fire department administrative coordinator and approximately 70 firefighters. The department responds to approximately 350 emergency calls each year.

About the FMPFSC

The FMPFSC was established in 1993 with a mission to help create "a world where no one is hurt by fire." Chaired by the Ontario Fire Marshal, the FMPFSC promotes fire prevention and public education through sponsorships and partnerships with various groups and individuals with an interest in public safety. Follow the FMPFSC on Twitter @FMPFSC.

About Enbridge Gas

Enbridge Gas Inc., formed on January 1, 2019 from the amalgamation of Union Gas Limited and Enbridge Gas Distribution, is Canada's largest natural gas storage, transmission and distribution company based in Ontario with a more than 170-year history of providing safe and reliable service to customers. The distribution business serves about 3.8 million customers, heating over 75 per cent of Ontario homes. The storage and transmission business offers a variety of storage and transportation services to customers at the Dawn Hub, the largest integrated underground storage facility in Canada and one of the largest in North America. Enbridge Gas Inc. is owned by Enbridge Inc., a Canadian-based leader in energy transportation and distribution.

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