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East Gwillimbury Emergency Services Receives Support for Firefighters

(Sharon ON) July 19, 2016 - Enbridge Gas Distribution, in partnership with the Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council, has provided support to East Gwillimbury Emergency Services to purchase firefighting training materials.

"The Town of East Gwillimbury is committed to community education and fire prevention," said Mayor Virginia Hackson. "We would like to thank Enbridge Gas Distribution and the Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council for their support. The funding provided will help continue to advance our community education programs and ultimately increase fire safety in our community."

The funds are part of the Project Assist program which supplements existing training for Ontario volunteer and composite fire departments in communities where Enbridge operates.

"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," said Elizabeth McCarthy, Enbridge Gas Distribution.

This year Enbridge will donate \$100,000 to be shared by 20 Ontario fire departments, including East Gwillimbury Emergency Services, with each receiving \$5,000. The funds will be used to purchase educational materials for firefighters to enhance life-saving techniques.

"This partnership further advances our focus on education and prevention, which are the first two lines of defence. Through education we teach prevention," said Fire Chief Phil Dawson. "As a composite department with over 90 paid-on-call/volunteer and full-time firefighters we ensure that every firefighter is involved in education and prevention activities."

"The Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council is proud to partner with Enbridge Gas Distribution for Project Assist. Firefighting is a dangerous and unpredictable profession and firefighters need to be prepared for any hazardous situation," says Arthur Pullan, Executive Director of the Fire Marshal's Public Fire Safety Council. "Project Assist helps fire departments access a variety of training materials to supplement their regular training programs and ultimately contributes to firefighter safety on the job."

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About East Gwillimbury Emergency Services

East Gwillimbury Emergency Services is a combination fire department which uses both paid-on-call (volunteer) and career, full-time firefighters to provide fire and life safety education and prevention services. Firefighters respond to fires, medical emergencies, motor vehicle collisions, rescue, and other calls.

East Gwillimbury Emergency Services consisting of approximately 90 volunteers and full-time firefighters providing programs and services for a safe, accessible and livable community

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.

About Enbridge Gas Distribution

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