

**TRANSCANADA - ALBERTA SYSTEM  
Tolls, Tariff & Procedures Committee**

**RESOLUTION**

**Emergency Response Compensation Procedure Review**

**Resolution T2001-01**

The Tolls, Tariff & Procedures Committee (TTP) has reviewed the Emergency Response Compensation (ERC) Report and supports the recommendations contained therein. At this time, the TTP is in support of the ERC Procedure remaining in effect in its current form without modifications.

Within three months after any future ERC event, TransCanada agrees to provide the TTP with a station level report outlining the following information:

- cause of the event;
- duration of the event;
- receipt points in the area of impact;
- the Common Stream Operators contacted;
- flow reductions requested;
- a summary of the corrective actions taken by TransCanada;
- event price;
- total ERC credits and debits; and
- calculation of the ERC credits and debits.

**Background**

After several years of industry consultation the ERC Task Force recommended the present ERC Procedure, adopted through the unopposed Resolution T98-08 on July 13, 1999. The ERC Procedure was subsequently approved by the EUB in Order U99067 on July 27, 1999 for inclusion in NGTL's Gas Transportation Tariff as Appendix "G".

Section 8.0 of Appendix "G" requires NGTL to file with the EUB an assessment of the effectiveness of the ERC Procedure and propose any changes within ninety days of termination of the earlier of:

- i. eighteen months from NGTL implementing the ERC Procedure; or
- ii. the occurrence of three ERC events.

The TransCanada Alberta System experienced its third ERC event in December 2000. Therefore, having experienced three ERC events before 18 months from implementation of the ERC Procedure, TransCanada is filing this industry assessment of the Procedure with the EUB. At the request of TransCanada, the EUB granted an additional thirty days (until April 30, 2001) to file the ERC report.

While the three events experienced thus far have been relatively minor, it is apparent that the procedure meets its intended goals and is accepted by the shipper community as an equitable mechanism for handling upsets on the pipeline system that require the cooperation of Common Stream Operators.