# SYSTEM UTILIZATION AND RELIABILITY MONTHLY REPORT

for the month ending July, 2010

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### **Highlights This Month:**

- Starting with the 2009/10 Gas Year, the average actual flow for the dominant flow condition in
  each of the Alberta design areas will be compared against the corresponding design capability to
  obtain a measure of pipeline utilization. Consequently, design capability utilization will be
  measured as Average Actual Flow / Seasonal Design Capability.
- FT Receipt Availability over a 3 month average from May 1, 2010 July 31, 2010 was deemed to be 100% available in all pipe segments.
- Border Availability at Empress/McNeill, Gordondale and Alberta/BC, over a 3 month average from May 1, 2010 July 31, 2010, were all deemed 100% available.

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## FIRM TRANSPORTATION SERVICE<sup>1</sup> CONTRACT UTILIZATION<sup>2</sup> By NGTL Pipeline Segments

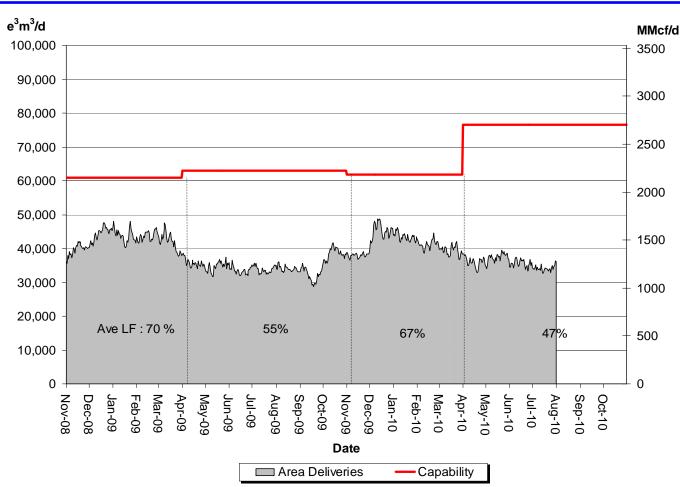
		By N	GTL Pipeline	Segments			By NGTL Pipeline Segments										
Segment	Receipt Contract	Feb-10	Mar-10	Apr-10	May-10	Jun-10	Jul-10	Jul CD (mmcf/d)									
UPRM <sup>4</sup>	FT FT + IT	68% 71%	85% 90%	92% 99%	94% 100%	93% 98%	89% 95%	138									
LPRM <sup>4</sup>	FT	86%	86%	86%	93%	93%	93 /6 89%	15									
	$\mathbf{FT} + \mathbf{IT}$	110%	109%	124%	127%	118%	119%										
PRLL 4	FT	92%	93%	94%	94%	94%	98%	155									
4	FT + IT	108%	110%	118%	118%	117%	121%	200									
NWML <sup>4</sup>	FT FT + IT	97% 103%	97% 102%	97% 105%	96% 104%	96% 103%	96% 103%	399									
GRDL 4	FT	95%	76%	76%	76%	81%	87%	289									
	$\mathbf{FT} + \mathbf{IT}$	119%	94%	107%	108%	116%	114%	==-									
WRSY 4	FT	98%	96%	95%	95%	95%	95%	33									
	FT + IT	134%	130%	135%	150%	148%	138%										
WAEX	FT FT + IT	94% 144%	94% 151%	93% 186%	93% 169%	95% 184%	94% 147%	251									
JUDY	FT	97%	98%	99%	99%	99%	99%	90									
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WGAT	FT	95%	94%	92%	91%	81%	89%	345									
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EGAT	FT	94%	96%	94%	94%	94%	95%	47									
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MRTN	FT	87%	85%	89%	87%	86%	87%	136									
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LIEG	FT + IT	95%	100%	104%	104%	102%	102%	ου									
KIRB	FT	78%	78%	79%	83%	81%	81%	90									
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SMHI	FT FT + IT	83% 128%	82%	87%	90%	90% 151%	90% 143%	65									
REDL	FT + II	82%	133% 83%	144% 90%	155% 90%	90%	89%	62									
REDE	FT + IT	149%	147%	152%	155%	148%	147%	02									
COLD	FT	87%	76%	85%	86%	90%	84%	45									
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NLAT	FT FT + IT	95% 119%	96% 123%	97% 131%	96% 128%	94% 122%	95% 124%	218									
WAIN	FT	83%	86%	93%	94%	95%	96%	16									
	$\mathbf{FT} + \mathbf{IT}$	108%	116%	127%	135%	125%	129%										
ELAT	FT	94%	95%	96%	95%	96%	95%	131									
TOTAL CATCERN	FT + IT	131%	136%	143%	143%	145%	144%	0.120									
TOTAL SYSTEM	FT FT + IT	94% 115%	94% 116%	95% 122%	95% 119%	94% 116%	95% 118%	8,138									
Segment	Delivery							Jul CD									
Empress	Contract FT	Feb-10 96%	Mar-10 97%	Apr-10 87%	May-10 87%	Jun-10 83%	Jul-10 88%	(GJ/d) 2,975,860									
Empress	FT + IT	96% 111%	97% 102%	97%	97%	83% 99%	98%	2,713,000									
McNeill	FT	99%	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%	1,648,794									
	FT + IT	141%	130%	138%	140%	134%	134%										
ABC	FT TT	89%	93% 05%	92% 04%	77%	74%	90%	2,393,043									
*NOTE:	FT + IT	89%	95%	94%	77%	76%	93%										
1. FT includes all receip	ot and export delivery Fi	rm Transportation	Services: FTR,	LRS, FTD.													
2. IT includes all receip	t and border delivery In	terruptible Service	s: ITR, FRO, I	TD, FDO.													
3. Utilization data is bas	sed on billed monthly vo	lumes. Percent uti	lization calculat	ted as FT and F	T + IT billed		( Tran	<b>s</b> Canada									

Volumes divided by applicable receipt or delivery Contract level.



### DESIGN CAPABILITY UTILIZATION NORTH OF BENS LAKE – FLOW WITHIN



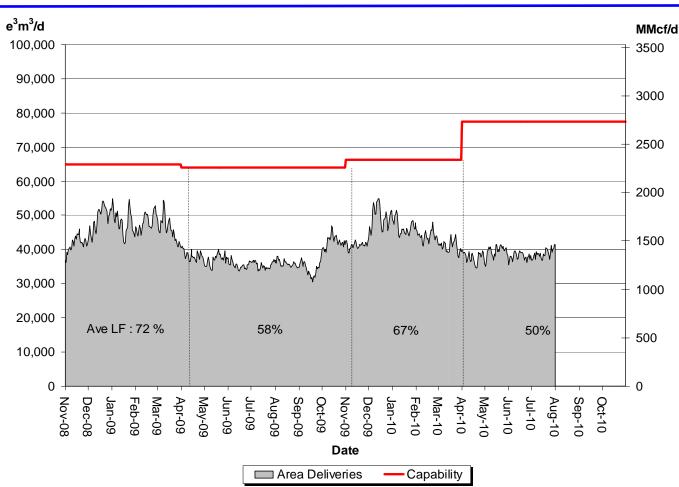


% Design Capability Utilization  Monthly Average Area Deliveries as a Percentage of Design Capability						
Average Flow/	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
Design Capability	67	64	47	49	46	45



### DESIGN CAPABILITY UTILIZATION NORTH & SOUTH OF BENS LAKE – FLOW WITHIN



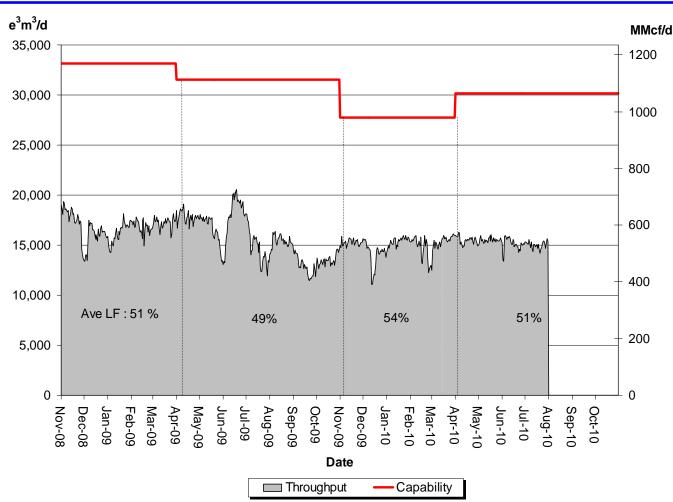


Monthly Ave	% <b>Desig</b> erage Actual A	_	•			ty
Average Flow/	Feb	Mar	Apr	<b>M</b> ay 50	Jun	Jul
Design Capability	67	62	49		48	46



## DESIGN CAPABILITY UTILIZATION UPPER PEACE RIVER



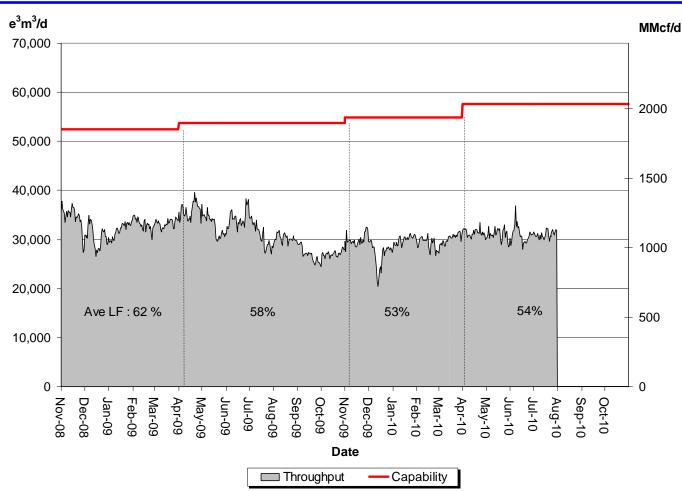


% Design Capability Utilization  Monthly Average Actual Flow as a Percentage of Design Capability						
Average Flow/	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
Design Capability	53	55	51	51	50	50



## DESIGN CAPABILITY UTILIZATION UPPER and CENTRAL PEACE RIVER





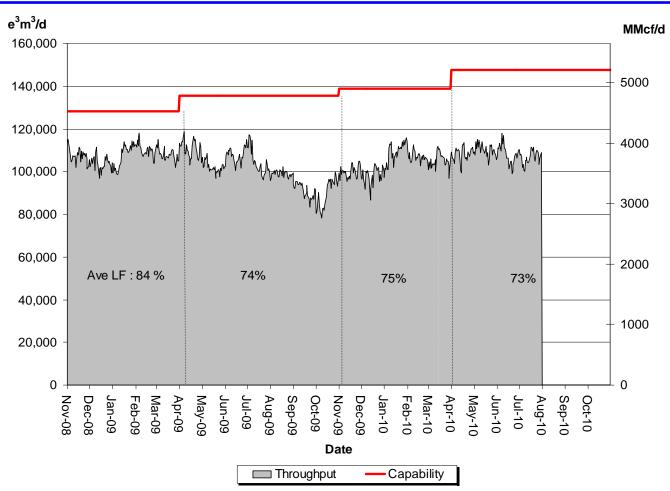
% Design Capability Utilization  Monthly Average Actual Flow as a Percentage of Capability						
Average Flow/	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
Design Capability	53	55	55	54	54	54



## DESIGN CAPABILITY UTILIZATION PEACE RIVER DESIGN

(Upper, Central and Lower Peace River)



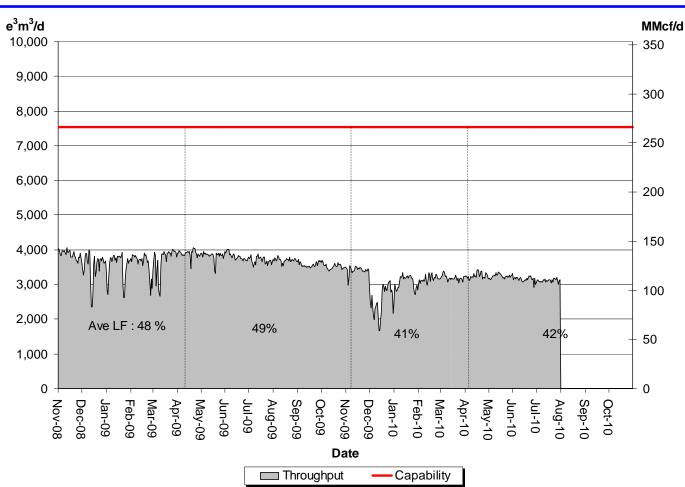


% Design Capability Utilization  Monthly Average Actual Flow as a Percentage of Design Capability						
Average Flow/	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
Design Capability	77	76	73	75	73	72



# DESIGN CAPABILITY UTILIZATION MARTEN HILLS





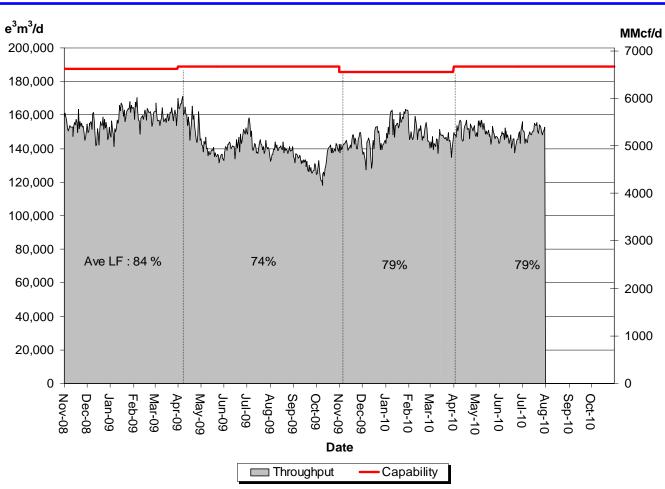
% Design Capability Utilization  Monthly Average Actual Flow as a Percentage of Design Capability							
Average Flow/	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	
Design Capability	42	42	43	43	42	41	



## DESIGN CAPABILITY UTILIZATION UPSTREAM JAMES RIVER



(Edson Mainline, Peace River Design and Marten Hills)

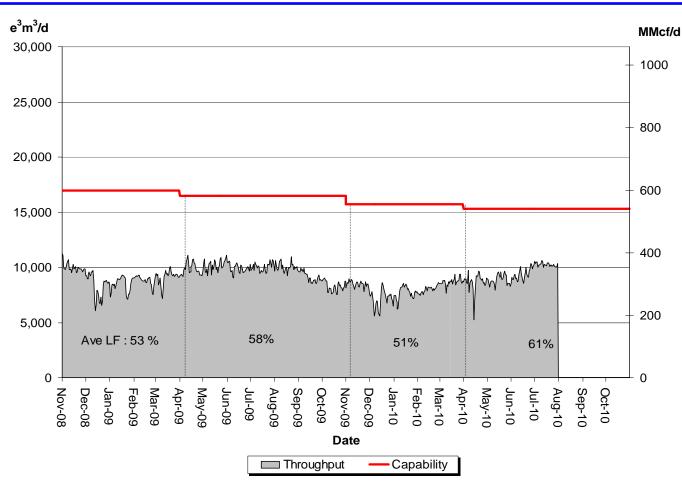


% Design Capability Utilization  Monthly Average Actual Flow as a Percentage of Design Capability						
Average Flow/	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
Design Capability	80	78	80	79	78	80



# **DESIGN CAPABILITY UTILIZATION SOUTH and ALDERSON**



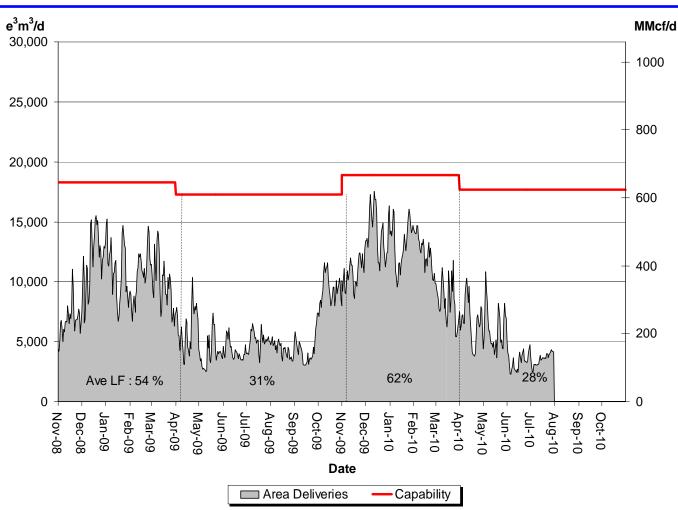


% Design Capability Utilization  Monthly Average Actual Flow as a Percentage of Design Capability						
Average Flow/	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
Design Capability	51	55	56	58	61	67



# DESIGN CAPABILITY UTILIZATION RIMBEY-NEVIS – FLOW WITHIN





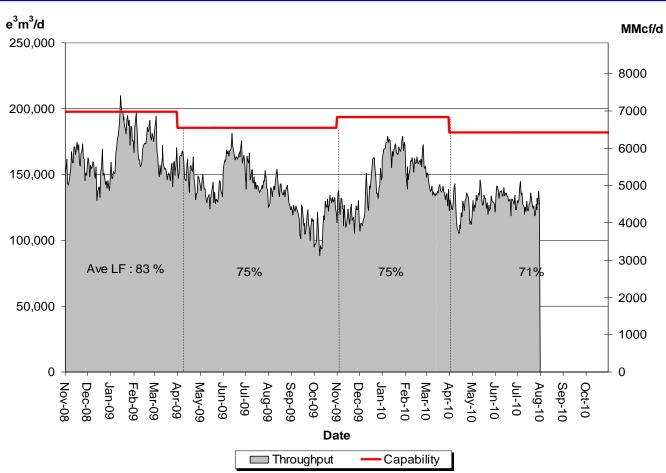
% Design Capability Utilization  Monthly Average Area Deliveries as a Percentage of Design Capability						
Average Flow/	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
Design Capability	66	44	38	34	19	20



# DESIGN CAPABILITY UTILIZATION EASTERN ALBERTA MAINLINE

(James River to Princess)



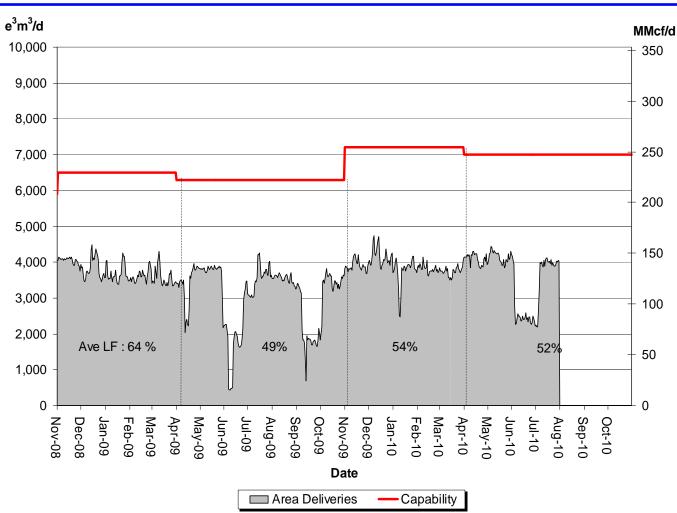


% Design Capability Utilization  Monthly Average Actual Flow as a Percentage of Design Capability							
Average Flow/	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	
Design Capability	81	71	68	71	73	71	



## DESIGN CAPABILITY UTILIZATION MEDICINE HAT – FLOW WITHIN





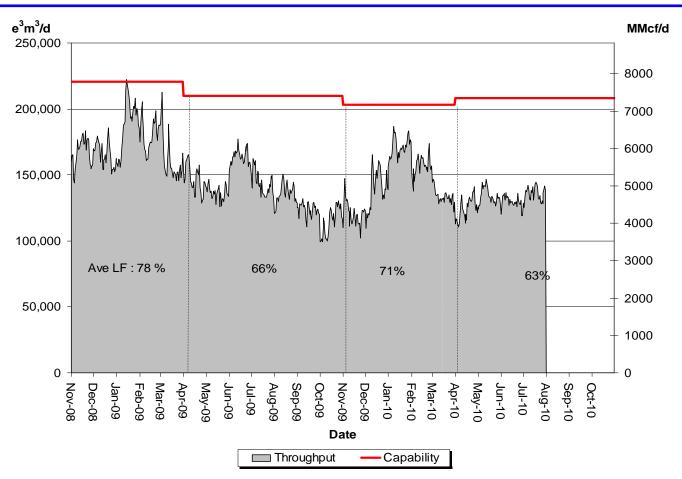
% Design Capability Utilization  Monthly Average Area Deliveries as a Percentage of Design Capability							
Average Flow/	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	
Design Capability	53	52	58	59	38	53	



# DESIGN CAPABILITY UTILIZATION EASTERN ALBERTA MAINLINE

(Princess to Empress / McNeill)





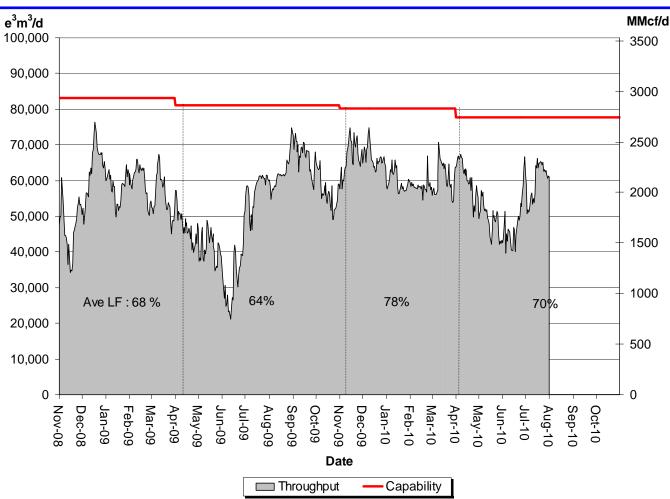
% Design Capability Utilization Average Actual Flow as a Percentage of Design Capability							
Average Flow / Design Capability	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	
	77	66	60	64	62	65	



## DESIGN CAPABILITY UTILIZATION WESTERN ALBERTA MAINLINE

(Alberta/B.C. and Alberta/Montana Borders)





% Design Capability Utilization Average Actual Flow as a Percentage of Design Capability							
Average Flow /	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	
Design Capability	73	75	78	63	62	77	



### HISTORICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE AVAILABILITY

May 1, 2010 to July 31, 2010 (3 Month Average)

Receipt Area		IT-R Service	Firm Service	Firm Service		CD	Causes/Comments (3)
110001pt7110u		Available	Available	Restriction	Restricted <sup>(1)</sup>		3333333
	Segment	(% of time)	(% of time)	(% of time)	Max	Average	
Peace River	UPRM 1	100	100	0	0	0	
	PRLL 2	100	100	0	0	0	
	NWML 3	100	100	0	0	0	
	GRDL 4	100	100	0	0	0	
	WAEX 5	100	100	0	0	0	
	JUDY 24	100	100	0	0	0	
	WRSY26	100	100	0	0	0	
	LPRM 27	100	100	0	0	0	
	GPML 7	100	100	0	0	0	
Central	CENT 8	100	100	0	0	0	
	LPOL 9	100	100	0	0	0	
North & East Upstream	LIEG 10	100	100	0	0	0	
of Bens Lake	KIRB 11	100	100	0	0	0	
	MRTN 6	100	100	0	0	0	
	SMHI 12	100	100	0	0	0	
	REDL 13	100	100	0	0	0	
	COLD 14	100	100	0	0	0	
Downstream of	NLAT 15	100	100	0	0	0	
Bens Lake	ELAT 16	100	100	0	0	0	
	WAIN 23	100	100	0	0	0	
Rimbey/Nevis	ALEG 17	100	100	0	0	0	
Eastern Mainline	BLEG 18	100	100	0	0	0	
	EGAT 19	100	100	0	0	0	
	MLAT 20	100	100	0	0	0	
	SLAT 22	100	100	0	0	0	
Western Mainline	WGAT 21	100	100	0	0	0	
Borders		IT-D Service	Firm Service	Firm Service	% CD Re	stricted <sup>(1)</sup>	Causes/Comments (3)
	Available <sup>(2)</sup>	Available <sup>(2)</sup>	Available	Restriction			
	(% of time)	(% of time)	(% of time)	(% of time)	Max	Average	
Empress/McNeill		100	100	0	0	0	
Alberta-BC		100	100	0	0	0	
Gordondale		100	100	0	0	0	



## FUTURE FIRM TRANSPORTATION SERVICE AVAILABILITY (MAINLINE RESTRICTIONS)

## **Export Firm Transportation Guidelines**

Firm	Authorize Firm	To Ensure Firm
Transportation	Transportation	Transportation
Service Type	Service By	Service By
Export Delivery	November 2010	November 2012

### Estimated Firm Transportation Service Availability

Please refer to the following web site for current FT-R Availability Map:

http://www.transcanada.com/customerexpress/docs/ab\_ftr\_availability\_map/external\_map.pdf

## Receipt Firm Transportation Guidelines

Firm Transportation Service Type	Authorize Firm Transportation Service By	To Ensure Firm Transportation Service By
Receipt - Summer construction (generally south of Edmonton)	November 2010	November 2012
Receipt - Winter construction (generally north of Edmonton)	November 2010	April 2013

If your needs for firm transportation service arise after the above dates to "Authorize Firm Transportation Service By", NGTL will evaluate your new receipt firm transportation service or firm service transfer requests on a date-stamped basis.

Please consult with your Customer Sales Representative to discuss your Firm Transportation Service needs.



### HOW TO USE THIS REPORT

#### **Overview**

This report contains recent historical information on the level of utilization of firm transportation Service Agreements on the NGTL system, relative usage of interruptible service, level of utilization of design pipeline capacity, and the availability of transportation services as an indication of system reliability.

Data is reported either by *Pipeline Segment* (26 on the system) or *Design Area* (13 on the system). Maps of both are included in the reference section.

#### Firm Transportation Service Contract Utilization

The Firm Transportation Service Contract Utilization report shows the percent utilization for each of the 26NGTL pipeline segments and 3 major export delivery points comprising the total system. The utilization data is based on billed monthly volumes. Percent utilization is calculated as firm transportation service and firm transportation service + interruptible service divided by applicable receipt or delivery contract level. Historical Data involving billed volumes lags the current date by approximately two months.

#### **Design Capability Utilization**

The load factor/segment flow graphs show actual flow versus design capability values for various NGTL system areas. The graphs also show seasonal (winter/summer) design capability and average load factors for each season. Data used in these reports lags the current date by one month.

Design Flow Capability utilization is a function of several factors that include:

- Total market demand for Alberta natural gas.
- Seasonal changes in market demand for Alberta natural gas.
- Receipt nominating practices of customers individually and in aggregate to meet that level of demand.
- Effect of scheduled maintenance on actual flow requirement in a design area at any given time.
- Design assumptions used in determining required segment flow requirement.



### HOW TO USE THIS REPORT - continued

#### <u>Historical Transportation Service Availability</u>

Transportation Service Availability is a system utilization measure that identifies the degree to which firm and interruptible transportation services are available on the NGTL system. It includes the historical frequency of service restriction experienced by the gas transmission network by service type and by pipeline segment.

The data shows the percentage of a given time period that a service type was available for a given section of the system. Service availability less than 100 percent means that some level of transportation service has been restricted for a portion of the time period.

Priority of transportation service on the NGTL system is firm transportation service, and then interruptible (IT). If transportation is restricted within a segment, all service within that segment of a lower priority will be affected.

Service availability is affected by a number of factors including scheduled and unscheduled maintenance, construction or other outages.

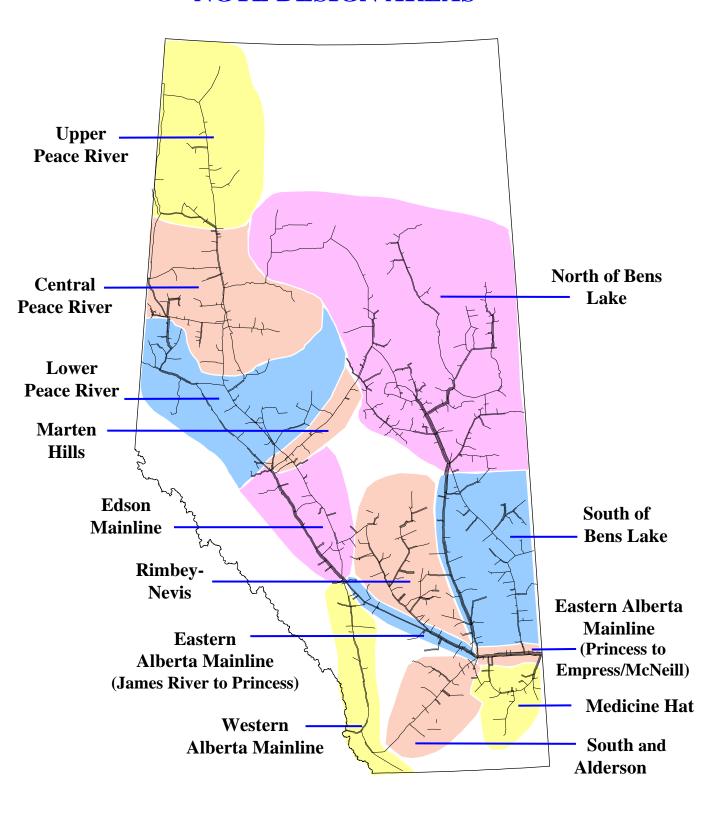
As a monthly feature the Historical Transportation Service Availability is shown as a three-month rolling average of transportation availability.

#### **Future Firm Transportation Service Availability**

The Future Firm Transportation Service Availability report presents guidelines and timing for all future firm transportation service requests.

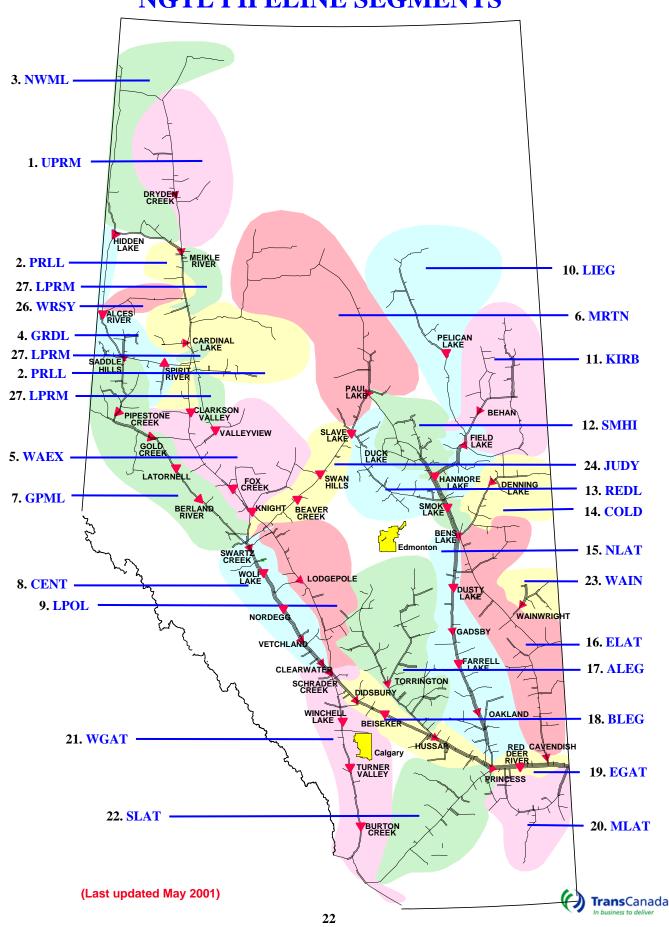


### **NGTL DESIGN AREAS**





### **NGTL PIPELINE SEGMENTS**



### **DEFINITION OF TERMS**

### Design Capability Utilization

#### Actual Flow

The amount of gas flowing within or out of our design area.

#### Design Capability

The volume of gas that can be transported at various points on the pipeline system considering design assumptions.

#### AVGLF (Average Load Factor)

The ratio between average *Actual Flow* and *Design Capability*. It is calculated for every design season (summer/winter) as shown on the graphs.

#### Intra-Alberta Deliveries

The amount of sales gas flowing off the system within an area.

#### Receipt Flow

Aggregate of actual receipts within an area and the *Actual Flow* of the upstream area.

### Historical Transportation Service Availability

#### Average % CD Restricted

The average percentage of the entire segment receipt contract demand restricted during periods of restriction.

#### Firm Service Available

The percentage of time that all requested firm transportation service requests were transported within a segment.

#### Firm Service Restriction

Percentage of time firm service is restricted.

#### IT-2 Service Available

The percentage of time that IT-2 service requests were transported.

#### Max % CD Restricted

The maximum percentage to which the entire segment contract demand was restricted.

#### Other

#### System Load Factor

The volume weighted average of the Average Load Factor (AVGLF) of all design areas on the system

