


MADE at the City of Calgary, in the Province of Alberta, on 21st day of April 2006.	 ALBERTA ENERGY AND UTILITIES BOARD
NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. Application for Tariff Amendments related to Load Retention Service 3	Application No. 1453163

1 BACKGROUND

The Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (the Board) received Application No.1453163, dated March 20, 2006, from NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. (NGTL), under Part 4 of the *Gas Utilities Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. G-5, as amended, for approval of amendments to NGTL's Gas Transmission Tariff (Tariff) related to LRS-3.

In Decision 2002-043, the Board approved NGTL's application for LRS-3. NGTL submitted that the proposed amendments are required to comply with the approved terms and conditions related to gas used following the expiry of the Initial Term and commencement of the Secondary Term of the LRS-3 Service Agreement on May 1, 2006.

NGTL noted that on March 14, 2006, it informed the Tolls, Tariff, Facilities and Procedures Committee of this filing and that it notified its shippers and members of the TTFP of the availability of this Application on TransCanada's Alberta System website.

2 DETAILS OF THE APPLICATION

The terms and conditions of LRS-3, as approved in Decision 2002-043, provided that there would be no deduction for gas used during the secondary term. NGTL submitted that this condition was apparent in the calculation of credits for gas usage that was in place when the LRS-3 service was originally approved. Following Board Order 2004-219, it came to NGTL's attention that, as the gas usage credit provision was removed from all rate schedules, it was no longer clear that the LRS-3 service was exempt from a deduction for gas used.

Notice of the Application was issued March 30, 2006. Submissions from interested parties were requested by April 12, 2006. The Board did not receive submissions from other parties on this matter.

3 BOARD FINDINGS

The Board agrees that the proposed amendments would align the LRS-3 Tariff with Order U2004-219 and clarifies that the LRS-3 service is exempt from a deduction for gas used as approved in Decision 2002-043. The Board is satisfied that customers and interested parties,

through the TTFP, NGTL's website and the Board's notice and information request, were aware of the proposed amendments to the Tariff, and any impacts these changes may have. Based on a review of the Application and for the reasons noted above, the Board believes that the requested Tariff changes are reasonable.

Therefore, the Board hereby approves the amendments to NGTL's Gas Transportation Tariff related to LRS-3, as described in the Application.

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