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Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION APPLICATION NO. 1504975 NOVA GAS TRANSMISSION LTD. 2007 FINAL RATES, TOLLS AND CHARGES

Take Notice that NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. (NGTL), a wholly owned subsidiary of TransCanada Pipelines Limited, applied to the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (Board or EUB), on March 1, 2007 for the approval of final 2007 rates, tolls and charges for Alberta System services provided by NGTL from April 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007 (2007 Final Rates).

Particulars of the Application

NGTL is currently providing service under 2007 interim rates, tolls and charges approved by the Board in Order U2006-334 (2007 Interim Rates). The Board stated, in that Order, that the 2007 Interim Rates would be effective from January 1, 2007 until NGTL's 2007 final rates, tolls, and charges are approved by the Board.

In Decision 2005-057, the Board approved NGTL's Revenue Requirement Settlement for 2005, 2006 and 2007 (the Settlement), whereby the 2007 revenue requirement was to be calculated based on certain costs fixed pursuant to the Settlement and a forecast of remaining costs that would flow through, adjusted for appropriate deferral account balances.

NGTL's submitted that the applied for 2007 Final Rates are reasonable as they were based on:

- A 2007 revenue requirement of \$1,127.9 million determined in accordance with the Settlement (calculation included in the Application as Attachment A);
- Forecast 2007 contract demand quantities and throughput (included in the Application as Attachment B);
- The rate design approved by the Board in Decision 2006-010 (illustrative calculation included in the Application as Attachment C); and
- 2007 annual rates adjusted to account for three months of 2007 Interim Rates charged from January 1 to March 31, 2007 (schedule included in the Application as Attachment D).

NGTL included the applied for 2007 Final Rates as Attachment E in the Application.

Background

The applied for 2007 Final Rates are based on a 2007 revenue requirement of \$1,127.9 million. This is \$48.2 million or 4.5% higher than the 2006 revenue requirement. The proposed final 2007 average FT-R and FT-D services rates, effective April 1, 2007, will be \$0.146/Mcf/d and the proposed average final 2007 export rate will be \$0.292/Mcf/d.

Additional Information

A copy of submissions and any requests for additional information should be sent to Mr. Greg Szuch:

NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. c/o Greg Szuch 450-1st Street SW Calgary, Alberta T2P 5H1 Telephone: (403) 920-5321

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Copies of the Application are available for viewing through the IAR Query link on the Applications page of the EUB website <u>EUB View Application No. 1504975</u>.

In addition, the Board directs NGTL to post the Notice of Application on its website for the availability of all interested parties.

To Register as an Intervener

Any party wishing to intervene in this process should file a Statement of Intention to Participate (SIP). The SIP should include a description of the nature of the party's interest in the proceeding (i.e., how it will be affected by the Board's decision), and whether the party is ineligible for cost recovery pursuant to the "business interest" rule. If there are any objections with the Application, the reasons for objecting should also be included in the SIP. A copy of the SIP should be sent to the EUB, referencing Application No. 1504975, by email to EUB.UTL@eub.ca. A copy of the SIP should also be sent directly to NGTL c/o Mr. Greg Szuch, at the address provided above. The Board does not require budgets to be filed for this proceeding.

In order to ensure that 2007 Final Rates are in place on the Alberta System for April 1, 2007, the Board requests that parties file their SIPs including any objections no later than **Wednesday**, **March 14, 2007.** The Board also requests that NGTL file its response, if any, to the SIPs no later than **Monday**, **March 19, 2007.**

The Board will determine the process necessary to deal with the Application and will advise registered parties in due course. The Board may continue to process the Application without further notice if no valid objections are received on or before **March 14**, **2007**.

If you have any questions or concerns with respect to EUB procedures, please contact Robert Litt at <u>robert.litt@eub.ca</u> or by telephone at (403) 297-8592.

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ALBERTA ENERGY AND UTILITIES BOARD Douglas A. Larder, Q.C., General Counsel