



LETTER DECISION

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Dear Mr. Smith and Mr. Trejchel:

**Seneca Resources Corporation
6 September 2016 Application for a Licence to Import Natural Gas
Pursuant to Section 117 of the *National Energy Board Act* (NEB Act)**

On 6 September 2016 Seneca Resources Corporation (Seneca or Applicant) applied to the National Energy Board (NEB or Board), pursuant to section 117 of the NEB Act, for a licence (Import Licence) to import natural gas (Application).

Seneca seeks:

- a 7 year and 2 month Import Licence starting on 1 November 2016 and ending on 31 December 2023;
- a maximum annual import quantity of $185,845 \times 10^3 \text{ m}^3$ (6.56 Bcf);
- a maximum term quantity of 18,000 MMBtu/day, being an approximate natural gas equivalent of $1.33 \times 10^9 \text{ m}^3$ (47.1 Bcf) for the term;
- As a tolerance, the amount of natural gas that may be imported in any 12-month period may exceed the annual maximum quantity by 15%;
- the point of import of natural gas into Canada will be Niagara Falls and Chippawa, Ontario; and
- Exemption from the information requirements for gas import licence applications set out in section 13 of the Part VI Regulations that are not specifically addressed in its Application. Such further and other related relief as the Board may consider appropriate in the circumstances pursuant to section 20 of the NEB Act.

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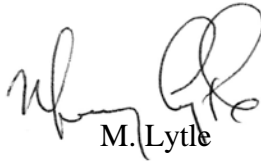
Views of the Board

We have decided to issue an Import Licence to Seneca, subject to the approval of the Governor in Council, to import natural gas with the terms and conditions described in Appendix I to this letter.

The Board notes that it may exempt applicants for gas import licences from the filing requirements contained in section 13 of the *National Energy Board Act Part VI (Oil and Gas) Regulations* (Part VI Regulations). The Board further recognizes that not all of the other filing requirements contained in section 13 of the Part VI Regulations are relevant to its assessment of this Application. Therefore, the Board grants Seneca's request to be exempted from the filing requirements contained in section 13 of the Part VI Regulations that were not included in the Application.



S. Parrish
Presiding Member



M. Lytle
Member



A. Scott
Member

October 2016
Calgary, Alberta

Appendix I

Terms and Conditions of the Licence to be Issued for the Import of Natural Gas

General

1. Seneca Resources Corporation shall comply with all of the terms and conditions contained in this licence unless the National Energy Board (Board) otherwise directs.

Licence Term, Conditions and Point of Import

2. The term of this licence shall commence on the date of Governor in Council approval of its issuance and shall end on 31 December 2023.
3. The quantity of natural gas that can be imported under the authority of this licence is:
 - a. Maximum annual quantity that can be imported in any 12 month period is $0.185845 \times 10^9 \text{ m}^3$;
 - b. Maximum term quantity may not exceed $1.33 \times 10^9 \text{ m}^3$;
4. The amount of natural gas that may be imported in any 12-month period may exceed the annual maximum quantity by 15 per cent.
5. The point of import of natural gas into Canada will be Niagara Falls and Chippawa, Ontario.