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Dear Ms. Shaw and Ms. Stevens:

NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. (NGTL) - Application for Approval of Interim 2013 Tolls for the Alberta System

The National Energy Board has examined NGTL's application dated 31 October 2012 for approval of interim tolls effective 1 January 2013 for services on the Alberta System.

In the application, NGTL calculated its interim tolls in accordance with the terms of the 2010-2012 Alberta System Revenue Requirement Settlement, approved by the Board by Order TG-05-2010 and the existing toll design methodology approved by the Board by Order TG-04-2010.

NGTL advised the Board that it met with the Alberta System Tolls, Tariff, Facilities and Procedures Committee and presented the revenue requirement and distance of haul assumptions that have been used to determine interim 2013 tolls. NGTL also posted a notice to customers on its website, stating its expectation of the revenue requirement underpinning the interim 2013 tolls.

No person has raised a complaint with the Board regarding the application.

The Board approves the proposed interim tolls as filed, pending a subsequent or amended order affecting the tolls for the Alberta System. The Board directs that the tolls be made interim effective 1 January 2013. Enclosed is a copy of Order TGI-002-2012, which gives effect to this decision.

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The Board notes that a decision regarding interim tolls is, in no way, a ruling by the Board as to the merits of any application that may come, or is currently, before the Board regarding the setting of final tolls.

The Board directs NGTL to serve a copy of this letter on all of the Alberta System shippers and on its Tolls, Tariff, Facilities and Procedures Committee members.

Yours truly,

Sheri Young

Secretary of the Board

Attachment



ORDER TGI-002-2012

IN THE MATTER OF the *National Energy Board Act* (Act) and the regulations made thereunder; and

IN THE MATTER OF an application filed by NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. (NGTL) with the National Energy Board (Board) pursuant to subsection 19(2) and paragraph 60(1)(b) of the Act filed under File OF-Tolls-Group1-N081-2012-02 01.

BEFORE the Board on 7 December 2012.

WHEREAS on 12 August 2010, the Board issued Order TG-04-2010 approving the rate design methodology and terms and conditions of service on the Alberta System;

AND WHEREAS on 24 September 2010, the Board issued Order TG-05-2010 approving, among other things, a settlement that establishes a mechanism for determining the annual revenue requirement of the Alberta System for the years 2010-2012, the Alberta System interim tolls for the years 2011-2013, and certain deferral accounts (the Settlement);

AND WHEREAS on 31 October 2012, NGTL filed an application for tolls on the Alberta System to be charged on an interim basis effective 1 January 2013 (the Application);

AND WHEREAS in the Application NGTL advised the Board that the proposed 2013 interim tolls are consistent with the Settlement and its existing, approved toll design;

AND WHEREAS NGTL advised the Board that it met with the Alberta System Tolls, Tariff, Facilities and Procedures Committee and presented the revenue requirement and distance of haul assumptions that have been used to determine interim 2013 tolls. NGTL also posted a notice to customers on its website, stating its expectation of the revenue requirement underpinning the interim 2013 tolls.

AND WHEREAS no person has commented on the Application and the proposed interim tolls;

AND WHEREAS the Board has considered the Application and has decided to approve the Application as filed;

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THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED pursuant to subsection 19(2) and Part IV of the Act that NGTL's proposed tolls, as contained in its Application dated 31 October 2012, be implemented effective 1 January 2013 on an interim basis pending any future amending Orders or final Order by the Board concerning NGTL's 2013 Alberta System Tolls.

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Sheri Young

Secretary of the Board