## National Energy Board



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To: All Parties to Hearing Order RH-003-2017

> Trans Canada PipeLines Limited (Trans Canada) Application for Approval of Dawn Long Term Fixed Price (Dawn LTFP) Service RH-003-2017 Decision with Reasons to Follow

On 29 March 2017, the National Energy Board (Board) received TransCanada's Notice of Intent to File an Application for an order approving a new long-term fixed price service from Empress, Alberta to Dawn, Ontario. On 24 April 2017, the Board established a modified version of the Streamlined Regulatory Process set out in Appendix IV of its RH-003-2011 Decision, including written evidence, information requests and oral argument. The Board granted standing to 21 Intervenors and 21 Commenters in the hearing.

On 26 April 2017, TransCanada filed, under Parts I and IV of the *National Energy Board Act*, an application for approval of Dawn LTFP service, the tolling methodology for the service, the Dawn LTFP Contract and Toll Schedule and consequential amendments to the Canadian Mainline Gas Transportation Tariff. TransCanada stated that it negotiated the Dawn LTFP service with western Canadian natural gas producers and subsequently offered it to all prospective shippers through an open season that closed on 9 March 2017. In total, 27 new longhaul contracts were executed for a total of 1.5 petajoules per day, with 1 November 2017 specified as the service commencement date for 90 per cent of the contract quantities.

Oral argument took place in Calgary on 11 and 12 September 2017.

## Decision

The Board has decided to approve the Dawn LTFP service application as filed with reasons to follow. Releasing the decision now, in advance of the reasons, provides TransCanada, the Dawn LTFP shippers and the market with the information needed for the upcoming Gas Year.

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The Board has also decided to require TransCanada to separately track and report annually the actual costs and revenues related to Dawn LTFP service, as well as to provide information in future toll proceedings relating to the prudence of its Dawn LTFP service-related Transportation by Others costs. Further details will be provided when the reasons are issued.

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