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NOVA SCOTIA UTILITY AND REVIEW BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE GAS DISTRIBUTION ACT

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IN THE MATTER OF THE PIPELINE ACT

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IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION by HERITAGE GAS LIMITED for an AMENDMENT TO A LICENSE TO OPERATE A STEEL NATURAL GAS PIPELINE TO DELIVER NATURAL GAS IN AREAS OF Pictou County, Nova Scotia.

BEFORE:

Kulvinder S. Dhillon, P.Eng., Member

ORDER

WHEREAS Heritage Gas Limited ("Heritage") applied to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board ("Board") on September 16, 2014, for an amendment to License to Operate NG-HG-LO-11 authorizing Heritage to operate and maintain a steel natural gas pipeline to deliver natural gas in areas of Pictou County, Nova Scotia;

AND WHEREAS the Board has reviewed the application by Heritage for the amendment to the License to Operate;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the amendment to the License to Operate NG-HG-LO-11(02) attached hereto be granted effective October 27, 2014.

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 29th day of October, 2014.

Clerk of the Board

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NOVA SCOTIA UTILITY AND REVIEW BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE PIPELINE ACT

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IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION by HERITAGE GAS LIMITED ("Heritage") to AMEND LICENSE TO OPERATE NSUARB-NG-HG-LO-11 ("License to Operate") TO OPERATE A STEEL NATURAL GAS PIPELINE TO DELIVER NATURAL GAS IN AREAS OF Pictou County, Nova Scotia

WHEREAS on February 28, 2014, the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board ("Board") granted to Heritage the License to Operate with subsequent amendment #1 dated April 23, 2014 authorizing the operation and maintenance of a steel natural gas pipeline to deliver natural gas in areas of Pictou County, Nova Scotia;

AND WHEREAS the Board granted Permit to Construct NSUARB-NG-HG-PC-157 dated June 27, 2014 and NSUARB-NG-HG-PC-160 dated September 4, 2014 ("Permits"), to construct a steel natural gas pipeline to deliver natural gas in areas of Pictou County, Nova Scotia as indicated in the Permits;

AND WHEREAS by letter dated September 16, 2014, Heritage requested the Board amend the License to Operate to authorize Heritage to operate and maintain the pipeline constructed in accordance with the requirements of the Permits as shown on the attached drawing PIPELINE AND STATION PURGE PLAN, Revision #1 dated 14/09/15 ("Purge Plan");

AND WHEREAS the Certifying Authority for the Board pursuant to s. 63 of the *Pipeline Regulations (Nova Scotia)* is Energy Consultants International Inc. ("ECI");

AND WHEREAS the Board and ECI have reviewed the application and the supporting documentation and are satisfied that the requirements for this amendment to the License to Operate have been met;

AND WHEREAS the Board has the authority to amend the License to Operate pursuant to s. 15 of the *Pipeline Act*, R.S.N.S. 1989, c. 345;

AND WHEREAS the Board requires, before this amendment can become effective, a Construction Certificate from ECI;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board hereby amends the License to Operate to authorize Heritage to operate and maintain the pipeline constructed in accordance with the requirements of the Permits as shown on the Purge Plan subject to the following terms and conditions:

- 1. The terms and conditions of the License to Operate granted by the Board February 28, 2014, as amended, shall remain in full force except to the extent they may be altered by this amendment;
- 2. ECI filing with the Board a Construction Certificate, certifying that the installation has met the requirements of the Permits and was fabricated, installed, constructed and tested in accordance with the CSA Z662 Oil and Gas Pipeline Systems Standard, the Pipeline Act and Pipeline Regulations (Nova Scotia);
- 3. Heritage shall notify ECI regarding the establishment of the Pictou County Operations Centre;
- 4. Heritage shall provide ECI with timetables indicating initial awareness sessions to be conducted prior to activation of the system with Pictou County area Emergency Responders, large industrial customers, municipal public works personnel and local contractors; and
- 5. Heritage shall submit a revised Emergency Response Manual to ECI for review prior to activation of the system.

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this 29th day of October, 2014.

Clerk of the Board

