

September 25, 2014

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C., Docket No. PF14-22-000  
Northeast Energy Direct Project (“NED Project”)  
Response to Comments

Dear Ms. Bose:

Tennessee filed its Request to Use Pre-filing Procedures (“Pre-filing Request”) for the NED Project with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“Commission”) on September 15, 2014 in the above-referenced docket. Tennessee’s Pre-filing Request conforms to the requirements of Section 157.21(d) of the Commission’s regulations, 18 C.F.R. § 157.21(d), and includes all of the required information, including a detailed project description, a list of federal and state agencies with permitting responsibility, a description of Tennessee’s planning, engineering, and stakeholder outreach activities, a public participation plan, and location maps drawn to scale that show all major plant components.

Recently some individuals filed comments asserting that the maps that Tennessee filed with its Pre-filing Request are inadequate and do not show certain roads or structures. Tennessee recognizes that the maps it filed as part of its Pre-filing Request are basic topography maps that do not depict all extant roads and structures. However, at this early juncture in the project review process, the Commission’s regulations do not require such a high level of detail. Thirty days after the Director of the Office of Energy Projects (“Director”) finds that Tennessee has adequately addressed the Commission’s initial pre-filing requirements, Tennessee will be required to file a draft version of Resource Report 1, in accordance with Section 380.12(c) of the Commission’s regulations, 18 C.F.R. § 380.12(c), and a summary of the alternatives under consideration. Along with draft Resource Report 1, Tennessee will file more detailed photo based aerial images of the properties along the proposed route for the NED Project, with the proposed pipeline facilities and all major aboveground facilities superimposed over the images, in conformance with Section 380.12(c)(3) of the Commission’s regulations, 18 C.F.R. § 380.12(c)(3). At that time, affected landowners and members of the public are welcome to file comments on the detailed maps in order to assist the Commission in its review of the Project. Tennessee also welcomes comments and corrections so that it may appropriately scope its Project.

Tennessee's Pre-filing Request complies with the requirements of Section 157.21 of the Commission regulations, 18 C.F.R. § 157.21, and Tennessee respectfully requests the Director approve its Pre-filing Request. Should the Commission need any additional information to process Tennessee's request, Tennessee is prepared to respond diligently. Any questions concerning the letter should be addressed to the undersigned at (713) 420-4544.

Respectfully submitted,

TENNESSEE GAS PIPELINE COMPANY, L.L.C.

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