

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of North)
Coast Gas Transmission LLC for Approval) Case No. 07-1172-PL-AEC
of One New Contract and an Amendment to)
One Existing Contract.)

ENTRY

The Commission finds:

- (1) On March 30, 2004, the Commission approved tariffs authorizing North Coast Gas Transmission LLC ("North Coast") to operate as an intrastate pipeline company in Ohio, subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. Recognizing the wholesale nature of its transportation business, the approved tariffs provided for the rates and terms for transportation services to be individually approved by the Commission, pursuant to Section 4905.31, Revised Code.
- (2) On November 8, 2007, North Coast filed an application, consistent with those tariffs, for approval of a new agreement, between itself and BP Canada Energy Marketing Corp. (BP), for natural gas transportation service. The agreement will expire on March 31, 2008. A motion for a protective order, seeking protection of the price, volume, and shrinkage information in the contract was also filed. The confidential information has been filed under seal.
- (3) North Coast also applied for authority to modify an existing contract with BP. The amendment is for the current natural gas transportation agreement between the two parties (approved in Case No. 07-1067-PL-AEC). This amendment adds certain language to the minimum daily quantity provision and establishes a commodity charge for applicable additional quantities for capacity feeds to the Findlay, Fostoria, Norwalk, Oberlin, and Hinckley areas. The amendment also establishes a shrinkage factor for all additional quantities and adds language to the special conditions provision of the agreement. A motion for a protective order seeking protection of the price, volume, and shrinkage information was also filed. The confidential information has been filed under seal.
- (4) The Commission has reviewed the proposed contract and finds it is reasonable and in the public interest. We further find that the

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proposed contract amendment likewise is reasonable and in the public interest. The new contract and the contract amendment should be approved.

- (5) Regarding the motion for protective order, we understand that negotiated price and quantity terms can be sensitive information in a competitive environment. In accordance with Rule 4901-1-24, Ohio Administrative Code, a protective order prohibiting disclosure of the confidential information provided under seal is granted. This protective order will automatically expire 18 months from the date of this Entry. Any party wishing to extend this confidential treatment should file an appropriate motion at least 45 days in advance of the expiration date.

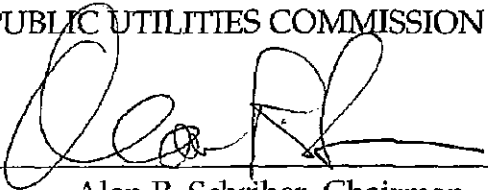
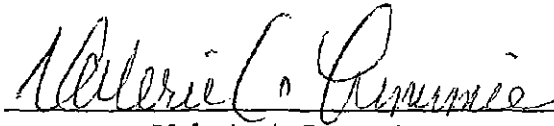
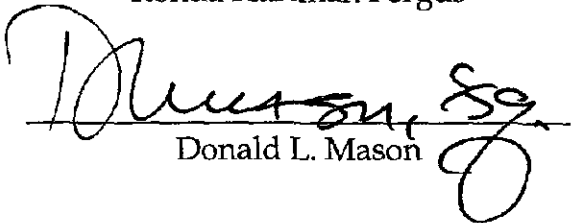
It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the new contract and the amended contract between North Coast and BP be approved. It is, further,

ORDERED, That, for 18 months from the date of this Entry, the Docketing Division of the Commission should maintain, under seal, the confidential information filed with the contract and the amendment approved above. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon North Coast.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO


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