

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

**INTERAGENCY PRE-FILING CONFERENCE CALL**

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, LLC

Docket No: PF14-22-000

**NORTHEAST ENERGY DIRECT PROJECT**

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**May 28, 2015**

**Agencies in Attendance (list of attendees is attached):**

- FERC
  - Cardno (FERC 3<sup>rd</sup> party contractor)
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)
- PA Department of Natural Resources (PA DCNR)
- PA Historical and Museum Commission (PHMC)
- NY Department of Agriculture
- NY State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC)
- NY State Parks and Recreation
- NY Department of Transportation
- NY State Department of Public Health
- MA Attorney General's Office
- MA Department of Fish and Game (MA DFG)
- MA Department of Conservation and Recreation (MA DCR)
- MA Department of Public Utilities (MA DPU)
- NH Fish and Game Department (NH FGD)
- NH State Historic Preservation Office (NH SHPO)
- CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CT DEEP)
- Southwest Region Planning Commission
- Berkshire Regional Planning Commission
- Nashua Regional Planning Commission
- Delaware River Basin Commission
- Tennessee Gas Pipeline (Tennessee Gas)
  - AECOM (Contractor for Tennessee Gas)
  - Hatch Mott (Contractor for Tennessee Gas)
  - Louis Berger (Contractor for Tennessee Gas)
  - Normandeau Associates (Contractor for Tennessee Gas)

**Meeting Summary**

The conference call was conducted to provide an overview of the FERC's role for the Northeast Energy Direct (NED) Project as well as to review the general status of the schedule, field surveys, landowner coordination, and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process. Topics discussed included:

- Resource Report Review and NOI Status
  - Environmental Comments on the draft resource reports issued on Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup>. Tennessee Gas is required to incorporate responses into its next set of draft resource reports.

- Cumulative impacts request sent to agencies on May 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - Tennessee Gas will send next set of Resource Reports in July.
  - Notice of Intent (NOI) will be issued in the next few weeks. Waiting for compressor station locations from Tennessee Gas.
  - FERC identifying locations for up to 15 scoping meetings.
  - At this point in our planning, we are looking for 2 scoping meetings held in PA, 4 in NY state (2 in Albany area), 1 meeting in CT, 3 in New Hampshire, and 5 meetings in MA. These may change slightly based upon an anticipated Tennessee Gas filing.
  - The comment period will likely be 60 days or longer due to the number of scoping meetings.
- Tennessee Gas Status update
    - Surveys
      - Environmental surveys have been focused on the compressor station sites. Surveys will shift to pipeline route and will include additional survey teams.
      - As of the week ending May 22<sup>nd</sup>, approximately 84 miles of environmental surveys and 88 miles of cultural resources surveys have been completed
      - Bat acoustic surveys are continuing. Tennessee Gas to provide additional information regarding bat surveys on next call.
      - Threatened and Endangered (T & E) plant surveys have finished in NY and PA. T & E plant surveys will continue in CT, MA and NH through the summer.
    - Meetings
      - Tennessee Gas is preparing additional agency consultation letters based on access roads, compressor station sites, and route modifications.
      - Tennessee Gas met with NH Fish and Game on May 19 and MA Natural Heritage on May 21. Both meetings were to discuss T & E protocols.
      - Meeting scheduled on June 10 with MA DEP

## **Next Call**

- Agency call will be held every 2 weeks
- Next call is June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

<b>List of Attendees</b>	
<b>Organization</b>	<b>Name</b>
FERC	Eric Tomasi
FERC	Elaine Baum
FERC	Rafael Montag
Cardno	Jennifer Harris
USEPA	Thomas Uybarreta
USEPA	Lingard Knutson
USFWS	Tim Sullivan
USFWS	Maria Tur
PA DCNR	David Mong
PA SHPO - PHMC	Steven McDougal
PA SHPO - PHMC	Cheryl Nagle
NY Dept. of Agriculture	Matthew Brower
NYSDEC	Stephen Tomasik
NYS Parks and Recreation	Diana Carter
NYS Dept. Public Health	Jane Thapa
NY DOT	Marvin Federman
MA Attorney General's Office	Matt Ireland
MA DFG	Christy Edwards
MA DCR	Jennifer Howard
MA DPU	Stephen August
NH FGD	Carol Henderson
NH SHPO	Edna Feighner
CT DEEP	Fred Riese
Berkshire Regional Planning Commission	Tom Matuszko
Southwest Region Planning Commission	Henry Underwood
Nashua Regional Planning Commission	Sara Siskavich
Delaware River Basin Commission	David Kovitch
Tennessee Gas	Deborah McCartney
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Hatch Mott	Theresa Albanese
Louis Berger	Hope Luhman
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