# **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

**IN THE MATTER OF** the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Sched. B);

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an Application by Natural Resource Gas Limited for an order or orders approving or fixing just and reasonable rates and other charges for the sale, distribution, transmission and storage of gas as of April 1, 2015;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** the Quarterly Rate Adjustment Mechanism.

# **APPLICATION**

- 1. As part of the EB-2014-0358 Decision and Interim Rate Order dated December 19, 2014 the Board approved a PGCVA reference price of \$0.222112 per m<sup>3</sup> and a gas supply charge of \$0.237336 per m<sup>3</sup>, both effective January 1, 2015.
- 2. Based on actual and forecast natural gas prices for the April, 2014 through March, 2015 period the PGCVA balance is projected to be a charge of approximately \$51.56 per residential customer.
- 3. NRG hereby applies to the Board for further orders effective April 1, 2015 as follows:
  - a) an order changing the reference price authorized by the Board's EB-2014-0358 Decision and Interim Rate Order for use in determining the amounts to be recorded in the Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account (Account No. 179-27) by \$0.013394 per m<sup>3</sup> from the Board approved level of \$0.222112 per m<sup>3</sup> to \$0.208718 per m<sup>3</sup>;
  - b) an order changing the rates and other charges from those authorized by the Board's EB-2014-358 Decision and Interim Rate Order to reflect a

projected \$0.021326 per m<sup>3</sup> change in the gas supply charge from the

Board approved level of \$0.237336 per m<sup>3</sup> to a projected cost of

\$0.216010 per m<sup>3</sup>. This change is the sum of the change in the PGCVA

reference price, the change required to prospectively clear the balance of

the Gas Purchase Rebalancing Act and the continuation of the system gas

supply cost approved in EB-2010-0018.

4. This application will be supported by written evidence that will be pre-filed with

the Board and intervenors of record in EB-2014-0274.

5. Pursuant to the criteria established in the Board's EB-2008-0106 Decision, below

is the Board's direction with respect to the timeline for processing the application:

\* Parties to this proceeding wishing to make comments on the application

may do so by filing such submissions with the Board Secretary (two hard

copies plus an electronic copy by e-mail) and NRG no later than 4:45 p.m.

five calendar days following the filing of the QRAM application.

\* NRG shall reply to any comments received by filing such replies with the

Board Secretary (two hard copies plus an electronic copy by e-mail) and

serving a copy on all parties who make submissions no later than 4:45

p.m. three calendar days following receipt of comments.

\* The Board issues its Decision and Order by the 25th of the month for

implementation effective April 1, 2015.

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Dated at London, Ontario, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015.

# NATURAL RESOURCE GAS LIMITED

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# NATURAL RESOURCE GAS LIMITED 1 2 **INTRODUCTION** 3 4 As part of the EB-2014-0358 Decision and Interim Rate Order dated December 19, 2014 5 the Board approved a Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account ("PGCVA") reference price of \$0.222112 per m<sup>3</sup> and a gas supply charge of \$0.237336 per m<sup>3</sup>, both 6 7 effective January 1, 2015. 8 9 In RP-2002-0147/EB-2003-0286 (Accounting Order dated January 30, 2004), the Board 10 approved a Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account ("GPRA") to record the increase 11 (decrease) in the value of the gas inventory available for sale to sales service customers 12 due to changes in NRG's PGCVA reference price. This account was maintained in the 13 EB-2010-0018 Rate Order dated February 17, 2011. In EB-2014-0358, the Board approved a GPRA rate of \$0.014861 per m<sup>3</sup>. 14 15 16 NRG is proposing to adjust the gas supply charge, the GPRA rate and the PGCVA 17 reference price effective April 1, 2015 to reflect an updated forecast of gas costs, the 18 projected balance in the PGCVA and the projected balance in the GPRA. 19 **PGCVA** 20 21 **Updated Forecasts** 22 Based on actual and forecast costs, the PGCVA account balance totals a charge of \$51.56 23 per residential customer for the twelve month period ending March, 2015 (Schedule 2). 24 25 The current forecast reflects the forecast for natural gas prices over the relevant period. 26 These gas prices reflect current market conditions, including alternative energy prices, 27 demand for natural gas, the weather outlook and the impact of current storage levels. 28 29 The PGCVA balance has been calculated using the most recent information available, 30 including actual volumes and costs through February, 2015. The remaining months in

1 the twelve-month period ending March, 2015 are calculated using estimated prices based 2 on the best information available at the time of filing. 3 4 NRG also confirms that the Surplus Sale over Consumer Premium charge applied to the 5 25,496 GJ of natural gas that NRG was short at the time of the Winter Checkpoint in February, 2014 is \$27.276 per GJ, as directed by the Board in the EB-2014-0053 6 7 Decision and Interim Order dated April 1, 2014. 8 9 Forecast prices have been used for the period April, 2015 through March, 2016 period, 10 except where actual contracted prices are available. 11 12 The gas supply portfolio reflects the current and forecasted mix of delivery points utilized 13 by NRG for system gas purchases. 14 15 Gas Supply Portfolio 16 NRG's gas supply portfolio includes local production, deliveries of Western Canadian 17 gas at the Alberta border (along with transportation on the TCPL mainline) and purchases 18 at Dawn and Parkway on the Union Gas ("Union") system. NRG also purchases 19 additional gas or sheds excess gas when required. The requirement for these purchases is 20 discussed below. This gas may be Ontario Delivered gas, gas purchased/sold at Dawn or 21 additional deliveries/curtailments at Parkway or at the Alberta border. 22 23 NRG is a direct purchase customer on the Union Gas system. Under its bundled 24 transportation contract, NRG is obligated to deliver a fixed amount of gas each day to 25 Union. This amount is determined by Union and is based on the expected annual volume 26 divided by 365 (366 in a leap year). 27 28 NRG is required to balance its total supply with its total demand on the Union Gas 29 system on an annual basis, at the time that the direct purchase contract with Union Gas is 30 renewed. In particular, NRG is required to balance its supply with its demand on the

1 Union system to within +/-4% at the end of the contract year. This may entail NRG 2 purchasing gas or shedding excess gas. 3 4 The bundled transportation contract year-end corresponds with the end of NRG's fiscal 5 year (September 30). NRG purchases additional balancing gas or sells gas and/or reduces deliveries such that total demand on the Union system is offset by the supply provided to 6 7 Union Gas to remain within the contract parameters. 8 9 As shown in Schedule 3 on the Ontario Delivered Gas line, NRG purchased additional gas in June, 2014, in the amount of 1,040,722 m<sup>3</sup> (39,999 GJ) at a cost of \$192,395. This 10 11 additional gas was needed to ensure the NRG was within its contractual parameters with 12 Union Gas as of the year-end of the transportation contract, as noted above. The price for 13 this gas was \$4.81/GJ, as shown in Schedule 4. 14 NRG is currently forecasting the need to purchase 1,419,736 m<sup>3</sup> in September, 2015 to 15 16 ensure that it is within its contractual parameters with Union Gas as of the year-end of the 17 transportation contract in 2015. This gas is shown on the Ontario Delivered Gas line in 18 Schedule 6 at a cost of \$190,263. The forecast price for this gas is \$3.55/GJ, as shown in 19 Schedule 7. This is the forecast price for gas purchases at Dawn. 20 21 February Balancing Gas 22 Additional gas may be purchased in the period leading up to the end of February of each 23 year if required for NRG to meet its forecast banked gas account winter balancing 24 checkpoint on the Union Gas system if consumption is greater than forecast. The Board 25 approved this requirement for Bundled-T customers on Union's system in RP-2003-0063 26 (Decisions with Reasons, dated March 18, 2004). 27 28 In order to meet its forecast banked gas account winter balancing checkpoint on the 29 Union Gas system, NRG purchased additional gas in each of December 2014, January 2015 and February 2015. The amounts purchased were based on the Direct Purchase
 Status Report received from Union Gas for each of the months noted above.

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- 4 This shortfall was due to the colder than normal weather experienced in December,
- 5 January and February of the 2014/2015 winter. In addition, volumes associated with
- 6 grain drying in the fall of 2014 were higher than forecast, primarily due to the late
- 7 growing season.

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- 9 As shown in Schedule 3 on the Ontario Delivered Gas line, NRG purchased 25,320 GJ
- 10 (650,813 m<sup>3</sup>) in December 2014, 34,784 GJ (900,214 m<sup>3</sup>) in January 2015 and 8,846 GJ
- 11 (228,644 m<sup>3</sup>) in February 2015. The cost of this gas, also shown in Schedule 3 was
- 12 \$115,712 in December 2014, \$135,310 in January 2015 and \$31,580 in February 2015.
- 13 The price paid for this gas is shown in Schedule 4 on the Ontario Delivered Gas line and
- was \$4.57/GJ, \$3.89/GJ and \$3.57/GJ, respectively over the three months.

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# 16 Obligated Deliveries

- Obligated deliveries to Union by NRG on behalf of both system gas customers and direct
- purchase customers has been forecast at 2,380 GJ/day effective October 1, 2014, an
- increase from the previous level of 2,294 GJ/day. The increase reflects growing volumes
- at NRG.

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- 22 The direct purchase customer assignment was increased to 197 GJ/day in November,
- 23 2014, where it is forecast to remain through March, 2016. These levels allow direct
- 24 purchase customers to bring their supplies in line with their actual and projected
- consumption. This results in deliveries for system gas customers of 2,183 GJ/day in
- 26 April, 2015 through March, 2016.

- 28 The composition of these obligated system gas deliveries over this period is as follows.
- 29 Parkway deliveries are 989 GJ/day in April, 2015 through March, 2016. Obligated
- 30 deliveries for system gas customers at AECO are 366 GJ/day over the same period.

- 1 NRG has shifted a total of 828 GJ/day from Parkway obligated deliveries to Dawn
- 2 obligated deliveries and is a result of the settlement agreement reached between Union
- 3 Gas and intervenor groups in EB-2013-0365. NRG has taken advantage of this
- 4 opportunity to the maximum extent possible.

- 6 The composition of the gas purchases for direct purchase and system gas customers for
- 7 the April, 2015 through March, 2016 period is shown in the following table. Please note
- 8 that these figures do not include the direct purchase deliveries associated with a large
- 9 ethanol plant served by NRG.

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# GJ/s per Day

Delivery Point	April, 2015 - March, 2016
Direct Purchase	197
AECO	366
Parkway	989
Dawn	<u>828</u>
Total	2,380

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- In addition to the obligated deliveries described above, NRG purchases gas from a local
- 13 producer in its franchise area.

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- 15 The composition of the gas supply portfolio volumes for the April, 2014 through March,
- 16 2015 period is shown on the top of Schedule 3. This schedule shows the monthly volume
- of gas purchased or forecast to be purchased from local producers, obligated deliveries at
- 18 Parkway, at Dawn and the Alberta border (Western), and balancing gas (Ontario
- 19 Delivered Gas). Similarly, the composition of the gas supply portfolio volumes for the
- 20 April, 2015 through March, 2016 period is shown on the top of Schedule 6.

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- Gas Costs
- NRG's actual and forecast gas costs for the April, 2014 through March, 2015 period, by
- source of supply, are shown in Schedule 4 in \$/GJ. These prices are also shown in the
- 25 middle section of Schedule 3 in \$\frac{1}{m^3}\$. The conversion factor used is based on the heat
- values used by Union Gas in their calculation of NRG's Banked Gas Account balances.

1 The conversion factors used are also shown in Schedule 4. All prices shown are actual 2 prices paid in April, 2014 through February, 2015. Prices for the remaining months in 3 this period are based on estimated and contracted prices to be paid in those months. 4 5 Prices for April, 2015 through March, 2016 are based on prices averaged over 10 days in the period February 12, 2015 through February 27, 2015 (reports were not available for 6 7 February 16 or 27). These prices, which have been sourced from the Shell Energy North 8 America report entitled 'Daily Energy Market Update', have been utilized in calculating 9 the prices shown in Schedule 7 in \$/GJ and in the middle section of Schedule 6 in \$/m<sup>3</sup>. 10 The source of the foreign exchange rates used in the calculations is the daily noon 11 exchange rates for the 10-year lookup from the Bank of Canada that are available on their 12 website at www.bankofcanada.ca/rates/exchange. 13 Gas prices for each of the sources of supply are described below. In addition to the 14 15 above, contracted prices have been used where purchase decisions have been made. 16 17 NRG Corp. Pricing 18 The first source of supply noted in Schedules 4 and 7 is "Local Production (A)" and 19 "Local Production (B)". This refers to gas that is produced in NRG's franchise area and 20 purchased from a related company. 21 22 The Board issued a Decision and Order - Phase 2 for EB-2010-0018 dated May 17, 2012 23 in which the Board indicated that NRG would be permitted to recover from ratepayers a 24 maximum annual quantity of 1.0 million cubic metres of natural gas at a rate of \$8.486 per mcf (or \$0.3012/m<sup>3</sup>). This price, as set by the Board, can be seen in the line labeled 25 26 "Local Production (A)" of the price section of Schedule 3. 27 28 The remaining gas purchased from NRG Corp. is shown in the line labeled "Local 29 Production (B)". This gas is priced at the approved Union Gas Ontario landed reference 30 price for each quarter. The April, 2014 through September, 2014 price is \$0.236288,

- 1 reflecting the Board's Decision and Order in EB-2014-0050 dated March 21, 2014. The
- 2 October, 2014 through December, 2014 price is \$0.208106, reflecting the Board's
- 3 Decision and Order in EB-2014-0208 dated September 25, 2014. The January, 2015
- 4 through March, 2015 price is \$0.218866, reflecting the Board's Decision and Order in
- 5 EB-2014-0356 dated December 19, 2014. These prices are shown in Schedule 3.

- 7 The NRG Corp. prices over the April, 2015 through March, 2016 period shown in
- 8 Schedule 6 reflect the Board approved price of \$0.301200 per m<sup>3</sup> for 1,000,000 m<sup>3</sup> as
- 9 shown on the Local Production (A) line. The remaining gas forecast to be purchased
- 10 from NRG Corp. is shown on the Local Production (B) line. The price forecast for this
- gas has been taken from the Union's QRAM application in EB-2015-0035 dated March
- 12 11, 2015, where the Ontario landed reference price has been forecast as \$0.194138 per
- $13 m^3$ .

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- 15 At the time this application was prepared the Union Gas QRAM price for April 1, 2015
- 16 rates was not yet approved by the Board. Any differences between the applied for and
- Board approved Ontario landed reference price for Union will be reflected in NRG's next
- 18 QRAM application and evidence.

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- 20 NRG also purchases gas for delivery at Parkway and Empress. The pricing of this gas at
- 21 these delivery points is discussed below.

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- 23 Empress Pricing
- 24 The Empress price over the April, 2015 through March, 2016 period shown in Schedule 7
- 25 (Western Deliveries) is based on a combination of actual contracted prices.

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- 27 The average Empress delivery rate is \$3.796/GJ in April, 2015 through October, 2015,
- and \$4.087/GJ in November, 2015 through March, 2016. Fuel costs of 4% are included
- in these rates.

- 1 The average Empress delivery price includes a mix of fixed price contracts over the
- 2 April, 2015 through March, 2016 period.

4 The following table shows the current mix of volumes and prices over the forecast

**Empress Deliveries** 

GJ/day

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Jan. - Oct.

\$/GJ

3.650

0.000

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Nov. - March

\$/GJ

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GJ/day

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5 period.

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- 7 NRG has no Empress deliveries that have not been contracted for over the April, 2015
- 8 through March, 2016 period. For completeness, NRG has provided forecast price data
- 9 used to forecast the Empress delivery price, had it been needed.

with Fuel (4%)

Contracted?

Yes

Yes

Total

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- 11 The calculations used to forecast the Empress delivery prices are shown in the following
- table. The only calculation used in the table is the calculation of the 10 day average.
- 13 The prices used are shown in the Daily Energy Market Report as the price at Empress,
- 14 AB in Cdn\$/GJ.

### **Empress Delivery Price Forecast**

			Jun-15	Nov-15
	<u> Apr-15</u>	May-15	Oct-15	Mar-16
12-Feb-15	2.62	2.63	2.66	3.22
13-Feb-15	2.77	2.77	2.80	3.31
17-Feb-15	2.74	2.75	2.79	3.25
18-Feb-15	2.92	2.92	2.95	3.34
19-Feb-15	2.92	2.93	2.96	3.33
20-Feb-15	3.06	3.06	3.09	3.40
23-Feb-15	2.93	2.94	2.98	3.30
24-Feb-15	2.88	2.88	2.93	3.26
25-Feb-15	2.79	2.79	2.84	3.19
26-Feb-15	2.58	2.58	2.68	3.09
10 Day Average	2.821	2.825	2.868	3.269

# 1 Parkway Pricing

- 2 The Parkway price over the April, 2015 through March, 2016 period shown in Schedule 7
- 3 is based on a combination of actual contracted prices. The average Parkway delivery rate
- 4 forecast is \$4.540/GJ in April, 2015 through October, 2015 and \$4.710/GJ in November,
- 5 2015 through March, 2016.

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- 7 The average Parkway delivery price includes a mix of fixed prices over this period. The
- 8 following table shows the current mix of volumes and prices over the forecast period.

Parkway Deliveries											
Contracted?	<u>Jan</u>	Oct.	Nov March								
	GJ/day	\$/GJ	GJ/day	\$/GJ							
Yes	989	4.540	0	0.000							
Yes	<u>0</u>	0.000	<u>989</u>	<u>4.710</u>							
Total	989	4.540	989	4.710							

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NRG has no Parkway deliveries that have not been contracted for over the April, 2015 through March, 2016 period.

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- Historically, the calculations used to forecast the Parkway delivery prices were calculated
- 14 as follows. The prices used were shown in the Daily Energy Market Report as prices at
- 15 Henry Hub along with a Niagara, ON basis. These two prices are added together to
- arrive at a proxy for the Parkway price. These prices from the Market Report were in
- 17 US\$/MMBtu and as a result need to be converted to Cdn\$/GJ. This was accomplished
- 18 through the use of a conversion factor of 1.054615 to convert MMBtu to GJ and through
- 19 the use of the foreign exchange rate. The formula used was (Henry Hub Price + Niagara
- 20 Basis) / 1.054615 x Foreign Exchange Rate.

- 22 As of the middle of February, 2015 the Daily Energy Market Report no longer provides a
- Niagara, ON basis. As a result NRG is not able to provide a forecast of the Parkway
- 24 delivery price based on the methodology described above. As all of the Parkway
- delivered gas has been purchased at fixed rates, there is no need for a Parkway price

- 1 forecast in the current application. If a forecast is needed in the future, NRG will propose
- 2 a methodology to forecast this price based on information available to it at that time.

- 4 Dawn Pricing
- 5 The Dawn price over the April, 2015 through March, 2016 period shown in Schedule 7 is
- 6 based on a combination of actual contracted prices and forecasted prices. The average
- 7 Dawn delivery rate is \$4.290/GJ in April, 2015, \$4.282/GJ in May through October,
- 8 2015, and \$4.347/GJ in November, 2015 through March, 2016.

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- 10 The average Dawn delivery price includes a mix of fixed price contracts and a forecast
- 11 price for the remainder of the purchases.

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- The following table shows the current mix of volumes and prices over the forecast
- 14 period.

Dawn	Deliveries

Contracted?	<u>Apr</u>	·il	May - O	ctober	November - March		
	GJ/day	\$/GJ	GJ/day	\$/GJ	GJ/day	\$/GJ	
Yes	400	4.320	400	4.320	0	0.000	
Yes	39	4.430	39	4.430	0	0.000	
Partial	0	0.000	0	0.000	39	4.710	
Yes	261	4.560	261	4.560	0	0.000	
Partial	0	0.000	0	0.000	261	4.730	
No	<u>128</u>	3.606	<u>128</u>	3.550	<u>528</u>	<u>4.130</u>	
Total	828	4.290	828	4.282	828	4.347	

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The price for the 39 GJ/day in April, 2015 through October, 2015 reflects a transfer of deliveries from Empress to Dawn. This gas has been purchased for Empress delivery at \$3.65/GJ. This has been increased by a locked in price to move the gas deliveries from Empress to Dawn of \$0.78/GJ, to arrive at the forecasted price of \$4.43/GJ. Similarly, in November, 2015 through March, 2016, the price of \$4.71/GJ is based on the contracted Empress price of \$3.93/GJ plus the same \$0.78/GJ to move the gas from Empress to Dawn delivery. This latter differential has not been locked in, hence the price is a partial contracted price at this time.

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1 The price for the 261 GJ/day in April, 2015 through October, 2015 reflects a transfer of 2 deliveries from Parkway to Dawn. This gas has been purchased for Parkway delivery at 3 \$4.54/GJ. This has been increased by a locked in price to move the gas deliveries from 4 Parkway to Dawn of \$0.02/GJ, to arrive at the forecasted price of \$4.56/GJ. Similarly, in 5 November, 2015 through March, 2016, the price of \$4.73/GJ is based on the contracted 6 Parkway price of \$4.71/GJ plus the same \$0.02/GJ to move the gas from Empress to 7 Dawn delivery. This latter differential has not been locked in, hence the price is a partial 8 contracted price at this time. 9 10 The prices shown for the 128 GJ/day that has not been contracted for in April, 2015 11 through October, 2015 and the 528 GJ/day that has not been contracted for in November, 12 2015 through March, 2016 are both based on the average price forecasts from the 13 February 12, 2015 through February 27, 2015 period. 14 15 NRG has also used the April through October price forecast, \$3.550/GJ, as the forecast 16 cost of Ontario Delivered Gas which is forecast to be purchased in September, 2015 to 17 balance on the Union Gas system. 18 19 The calculations used to forecast the Dawn purchase price are shown in the following 20 table. The relevant prices used are shown in the Daily Energy Market Report as prices at Henry Hub along with a Dawn, ON basis. These two prices are added together to arrive 21 22 at a proxy for the Dawn price. These prices from the Market Report are in US\$/MMBtu 23 and as a result need to be converted to Cdn\$/GJ. This is accomplished through the use of 24 a conversion factor of 1.054615 to convert MMBtu to GJ and through the use of the 25 foreign exchange rate. The formula used is (Henry Hub Price + Dawn Basis) / 1.054615

## **Dawn Delivery Price Forecast**

Henry Hub Dawn \$/ GJ (US\$/MMBtu) Basis MMBtu -GJ F/X (Cdn)

x Foreign Exchange Rate.

12-Feb-15     2.730     0.23     1.054615       13-Feb-15     2.810     0.20     1.054615       17-Feb-15     2.780     0.21     1.054615       18-Feb-15     2.860     0.20     1.054615       10-Feb-15     2.860     0.20     1.054615		3.51
17-Feb-15 2.780 0.21 1.054615 18-Feb-15 2.860 0.20 1.054615	1.2461	
18-Feb-15 2.860 0.20 1.054615		3.56
	5 1.2374	3.51
10 Feb 1F 2 000 0 10 1 0F4/1F	5 1.2418	3.60
19-Feb-15 2.880 0.19 1.054615	1.2498	3.64
20-Feb-15 2.970 0.25 1.054615	1.2546	3.83
23-Feb-15 2.890 0.24 1.054615	1.2576	3.73
24-Feb-15 2.890 0.20 1.054615	5 1.2496	3.66
25-Feb-15 2.860 0.18 1.054615	5 1.2423	3.58
26-Feb-15 2.700 0.20 1.054615	5 1.2527	3.44
10 Day Average		3.606
<u>Мау-15</u>		
 12-Feb-15 2.770 0.16 1.054615	5 1.2490	3.47
13-Feb-15 2.850 0.16 1.054615	5 1.2461	3.56
17-Feb-15 2.820 0.14 1.054615	5 1.2374	3.47
18-Feb-15 2.890 0.13 1.054615	5 1.2418	3.56
19-Feb-15 2.910 0.13 1.054615	1.2498	3.60
20-Feb-15 3.000 0.14 1.054615	1.2546	3.74
23-Feb-15 2.920 0.14 1.054615	1.2576	3.65
24-Feb-15 2.920 0.10 1.054615	1.2496	3.58
25-Feb-15 2.890 0.09 1.054615	5 1.2423	3.51
26-Feb-15 2.740 0.10 1.054615	5 1.2527	3.37
10 Day Average		3.550
lune-15 - October-15		
12-Feb-15 2.840 0.11 1.054615	1.2490	3.49
	5 1.2461	3.57
13-Feb-15 2.910 0.11 1.054615		3.47
13-Feb-15 2.910 0.11 1.054615 17-Feb-15 2.880 0.08 1.054615	5 1.2374	
		3.56
17-Feb-15 2.880 0.08 1.054615	5 1.2418	
17-Feb-15 2.880 0.08 1.054615 18-Feb-15 2.950 0.07 1.054615	5 1.2418 5 1.2498	3.56
17-Feb-15       2.880       0.08       1.054615         18-Feb-15       2.950       0.07       1.054615         19-Feb-15       2.970       0.06       1.054615	1.2418 1.2498 1.2546	3.56 3.59
17-Feb-15       2.880       0.08       1.054615         18-Feb-15       2.950       0.07       1.054615         19-Feb-15       2.970       0.06       1.054615         20-Feb-15       3.050       0.07       1.054615	1.2418 1.2498 1.2546 1.2576	3.56 3.59 3.71
17-Feb-15       2.880       0.08       1.054615         18-Feb-15       2.950       0.07       1.054615         19-Feb-15       2.970       0.06       1.054615         20-Feb-15       3.050       0.07       1.054615         23-Feb-15       2.980       0.07       1.054615	1.2418 1.2498 1.2546 1.2576 1.2496	3.56 3.59 3.71 3.64
17-Feb-15       2.880       0.08       1.054615         18-Feb-15       2.950       0.07       1.054615         19-Feb-15       2.970       0.06       1.054615         20-Feb-15       3.050       0.07       1.054615         23-Feb-15       2.980       0.07       1.054615         24-Feb-15       2.970       0.06       1.054615	1.2418 1.2498 1.2546 1.2576 1.2496 1.2423	3.56 3.59 3.71 3.64 3.59
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10 Day Average					4.130
26-Feb-15	3.160	0.24	1.054615	1.2527	4.04
25-Feb-15	3.250	0.23	1.054615	1.2423	4.10
24-Feb-15	3.260	0.24	1.054615	1.2496	4.15
23-Feb-15	3.270	0.25	1.054615	1.2576	4.20
20-Feb-15	3.340	0.24	1.054615	1.2546	4.26
19-Feb-15	3.290	0.24	1.054615	1.2498	4.18
18-Feb-15	3.290	0.24	1.054615	1.2418	4.16
17-Feb-15	3.250	0.20	1.054615	1.2374	4.05

# Other Forecast Assumptions

- 3 A number of other assumptions have been used to calculate the projected balance in the
- 4 PGCVA. As shown on Schedules 4 and 7, the fuel ratio for Western deliveries has been
- 5 forecast at 4.0%. This ratio has been reflected in the forecast prices shown in the
- 6 schedules for Western deliveries.

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- 8 TCPL tolls have been forecast at a rate of \$1.9655/GJ effective January 1, 2015. This
- 9 rate reflects the tolls currently being charged as a result of the TCPL settlement
- 10 agreement in RH-001-2014.

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The heat value used to convert GJ to  $m^3$  is 37.75  $GJ/10^3 m^3$ .

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# PGCVA Balance

- 15 The projected March, 2015 balance in the PGCVA is a debit of \$682,846.48 including a
- debit of \$67,126.06 in accumulated interest, based on the Board's prescribed interest rate.
- 17 This estimate is based on actual and forecasted purchases and the balance brought
- 18 forward from March, 2014. The PGCVA debit amounts to a charge of approximately
- 19 \$51.56 for a typical residential customer consuming approximately 1,992 m<sup>3</sup> per year.
- These figures are shown on Schedule 2.

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# Proposed PGCVA Rate Changes

- NRG proposes to adjust the reference price effective April 1, 2015 based on the projected
- accumulated balance in the PGCVA as of the end of March, 2015 and the forecasted cost

- of gas over the 12 month period beginning April, 2015 and ending March, 2016. The
- 2 reference price is set such that the projected PGCVA balance at the end of March, 2016 is
- 3 close to zero.

- 5 NRG's proposal will clear the PGCVA balance on a prospective basis, eliminating the
- 6 need for retroactive adjustments. This is consistent with NRG's past proposals in QRAM
- 7 applications, which have been accepted by the Board.

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- 9 NRG proposes to change the reference price by \$0.013394 per m<sup>3</sup> effective April 1, 2015,
- from \$0.222112 per m<sup>3</sup> to \$0.208718 per m<sup>3</sup>. The derivation of this rate is shown in
- 11 Schedule 5. This is the reference price required to bring the PGCVA balance close to
- 12 zero on a twelve month forecast basis. This change will also be reflected in the gas
- 13 commodity charge.

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# GAS PURCHASE REBALANCING ACCOUNT

- 17 The impact on the GPRA of the proposed April 1, 2015 PGCVA reference price change
- 18 from \$0.222112 per m<sup>3</sup> to \$0.208718 per m<sup>3</sup> is a credit of \$45,074.37, as shown on
- 19 Schedule 8. This figure is shown in column (J) of Schedule 8 on the March, 2015 line. It
- 20 is calculated as the change in the PGCVA reference price between March and April,
- 21 multiplied by the cumulative inventory balance at the end of March. This cumulative
- inventory balance is the sum of the actual monthly inventory balances for January, 2015
- 23 and forecasts for the subsequent months. These forecasts will be replaced with actual
- balances for these months in subsequent QRAM applications as this information becomes
- 25 available. As well, the monthly inventory balances are based on a deemed level of
- unaccounted for gas ("UFG") of the total throughput volume, as shown in column (E) of
- 27 Schedule 8. The 0.0% is the Board approved level of UFG from EB-2010-0018.

- NRG proposes to adjust the gas commodity charge effective April 1, 2015 based on the
- 30 projected accumulated balance in the GPRA. The adjustment to the gas commodity

- 1 charge will be set such that the projected GPRA balance at the end of March, 2016, will
- 2 be close to zero. The rate required to achieve this is shown in column (K) on Schedule 8.
- 3 Column (P) shows the reduction of the inventory revaluation balance based on this rate of
- 4 \$0.006929 per m<sup>3</sup> over the April, 2015 through March, 2016 period.

- 6 NRG's proposal will clear the GPRA balance on a prospective basis, eliminating the need
- 7 for retroactive adjustments. This is consistent with NRG's proposal for the continued
- 8 prospective clearance of the PGCVA. This change will also be reflected in the gas
- 9 commodity charge.

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# GAS COMMODITY CHARGE

- The system gas supply cost of \$0.000363 per m<sup>3</sup> will be maintained at the level approved
- in EB-2010-0018. This figure represents the incremental costs over and above the
- 14 commodity and transportation costs that form the PGCVA reference price to the gas
- 15 supply function. These incremental costs are portions administrative and general
- expenses, regulatory and consulting fees associated with the QRAM applications, return
- on rate base (working cash allowance related to gas commodity) and income taxes. This
- functionalization is unchanged from that approved in EB-2010-0018.

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- 20 The change in the gas commodity charge proposed for April 1, 2015 is summarized
- 21 below. The change in the gas commodity charge reflects both the change in the PGCVA
- 22 reference price and the change in the recovery of the inventory revaluation amount in the
- 23 GPRA. The change in the gas commodity charge is as follows:

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25		EB-2014-0358	Proposed	
26		Jan. 1, 2015	April 1, 2015	Difference
27	PGCVA Reference Price	\$0.222112	\$0.208718	\$(0.013394)
28	GPRA Recovery	\$0.014861	\$0.006929	\$(0.007932)
29	System Gas Supply Cost	\$0.000363	\$0.000363	\$0.000000
30	Gas Commodity Charge	\$0.237336	\$0.216010	\$(0.021326)

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# **SUMMARY**

- 2 In summary, NRG proposes to change the reference price for amounts to be recorded in
- 3 the Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account from \$0.222112 by \$0.013394 to
- 4 \$0.208718 per m<sup>3</sup> effective April 1, 2015. Appendix B contains the accounting entries
- 5 related to the PGCVA.

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- 7 NRG also proposes to change the gas supply charge from \$0.237336 to \$0.216010 per m<sup>3</sup>
- 8 effective April 1, 2015. This change reflects the change in the PGCVA reference price,
- 9 as described above, the change related to the recovery of the GPRA balance, also as
- described above, and the continuation of the system gas supply cost. These changes
- apply to all system gas customers served under Rates 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

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- 13 The proposed rate schedules are attached as Appendix A. The proposed customer notices
- 14 are attached as Appendix C.

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- Schedule 9 provides a residential bill comparison showing the impact of the proposed
- changes on a year over year basis for the appropriate quarter as well as the annual bill
- impact of the most recent quarterly change. The annual bill impact related to the change
- 19 in the commodity charges on a customer consuming approximately 2,009 m<sup>3</sup> is a
- 20 decrease of \$42.85.

### PURCHASED GAS COMMDOITY VARIANCE ACCOUNT - PROJECTED BALANCE

# HISTORICAL TWELVE MONTH PERIOD - APRIL, 2014 TO MARCH, 2015

Act/Fcst	<u>Month</u>	Purchase Cost (\$'s)	<u>M*3</u>	Actual/ Forecast Price (\$/M*3)	Reference Price (\$/M*3)	Unit Rate Difference (\$/M*3)	Monthly PGCVA (\$'s)	Y-T-D PGCVA <u>(\$'s)</u> (1)	Monthly Interest (\$'s)	Y-T-D Interest ( <u>\$'s)</u> (2)	Total PGCVA <u>(\$'s)</u>	Total Y-T-D PGCVA <u>(\$'s)</u>	Average Residential Consumption (M*3)	Monthly Interest <u>Rate</u>
Actual	April	389,127	1,842,589	0.211185	0.315237	0.104052	191,725.11	-2,465,501.44	-3,255.10	-48,480.12	188,470.01	-2,513,981.56	190.0	1.47%
Actual	May	479,371	2,331,232	0.205630	0.315237	0.109607	255,519.40	-2,209,982.04	-3,020.24	-51,500.36	252,499.16	-2,261,482.40	93.3	1.47%
Actual	June	570,847	2,893,041	0.197317	0.315237	0.117920	341,147.43	-1,868,834.61	-2,707.23	-54,207.59	338,440.20	-1,923,042.20	40.5	1.47%
Actual	July	385,468	1,896,767	0.203224	0.315237	0.112013	212,462.55	-1,656,372.06	-2,289.32	-56,496.91	210,173.23	-1,712,868.97	35.0	1.47%
Actual	August	410,441	2,094,815	0.195932	0.315237	0.119305	249,921.85	-1,406,450.21	-2,029.06	-58,525.97	247,892.79	-1,464,976.18	34.2	1.47%
Actual	September	402,130	2,042,170	0.196913	0.315237	0.118324	241,637.74	-1,164,812.47	-1,722.90	-60,248.87	239,914.84	-1,225,061.34	47.3	1.47%
Actual	October	390,373	1,981,011	0.197057	0.231630	0.034573	68,489.50	-1,096,322.97	-1,426.90	-61,675.77	67,062.60	-1,157,998.74	111.6	1.47%
Actual	November	353,122	1,900,605	0.185795	0.231630	0.045835	87,114.22	-1,009,208.75	-1,343.00	-63,018.77	85,771.22	-1,072,227.52	221.9	1.47%
Actual	December	484,186	2,594,170	0.186644	0.231630	0.044986	116,701.33	-892,507.42	-1,236.28	-64,255.05	115,465.05	-956,762.47	309.6	1.47%
Actual	January	504,849	2,845,697	0.177408	0.222112	0.044704	127,214.04	-765,293.38	-1,093.32	-65,348.37	126,120.72	-830,641.75	369.4	1.47%
Actual	February	357,563	1,967,329	0.181750	0.222112	0.040362	79,405.34	-685,888.04	-937.48	-66,285.85	78,467.86	-752,173.89	293.2	1.47%
Forecast	March	<u>372,426</u>	1,992,662	0.186899	0.222112	0.035213	<u>70,167.62</u>	-615,720.42	<u>-840.21</u>	<u>-67,126.06</u>	69,327.41	<u>-682,846.48</u>	<u>246.2</u>	1.47%
	Total	5,099,902	26,382,089	0.193309			2,041,506.13	-615,720.42	-21,901.04	-67,126.06	2,019,605.09	-682,846.48	1,992.2	

PGCVA Balance per M\*3 Purchased (\$/M\*3) Forecast Average Residential Consumption per Customer Estimated Impact on Average Residential Customer (\$0.025883) 1,992.2 M\*3

\$51.56 Customer Charge

(1) Includes balance of -2,657,226.55 as of March, 2014 (2) Includes balance of -45,225.02 as of March, 2014

# **COMPOSITION AND COST OF GAS BY SUPPLY SOURCE**

# HISTORICAL TWELVE MONTH PERIOD - APRIL, 2014 TO MARCH, 2015

Volumes (m3)	<u>Apr-14</u>	<u>May-14</u>	<u>Jun-14</u>	<u>Jul-14</u>	<u>Aug-14</u>	<u>Sep-14</u>	<u>Oct-14</u>	<u>Nov-14</u>	<u>Dec-14</u>	<u>Jan-15</u>	<u>Feb-15</u>	<u>Mar-15</u>	<u>Total</u>
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Dawn Delivery Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Ontario Delivered Gas	82,192 125,200 0 1,345,947 289,250 <u>0</u>	84,931 114,039 461,346 1,375,348 295,569 <u>0</u>	82,192 128,608 236,510 1,114,641 290,369 1,040,722	84,931 115,034 244,475 1,152,179 300,148 <u>0</u>	84,931 122,479 437,864 1,147,419 302,122 <u>0</u>	82,192 131,477 412,887 1,115,616 299,998 <u>0</u>	84,931 139,734 242,558 1,211,991 301,797 <u>0</u>	82,192 127,305 641,428 766,150 283,530 <u>0</u>	84,931 118,993 659,758 788,044 291,632 650,813	84,931 109,167 664,291 793,459 293,636 900,214	76,712 82,093 599,240 715,759 264,881 228,644	84,932 115,068 679,947 812,159 300,556 <u>0</u>	999,998 1,429,197 5,280,304 12,338,712 3,513,487 2,820,392
Total	1,842,589	2,331,232	2,893,041	1,896,767	2,094,815	2,042,170	1,981,011	1,900,605	2,594,170	2,845,697	1,967,329	1,992,662	26,382,089
Price (\$/m3)  Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Dawn Delivery Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Ontario Delivered Gas	0.301200 0.236288 0.000000 0.192127 0.203986 0.000000	0.301200 0.236288 0.189619 0.191555 0.196718 0.000000	0.301200 0.236288 0.190248 0.185920 0.185575 0.184867	0.301200 0.236288 0.188648 0.185858 0.182175 0.000000	0.301200 0.236288 0.163753 0.186629 0.172513 0.000000	0.301200 0.236288 0.167359 0.185757 0.174090 0.000000	0.301200 0.208106 0.163418 0.185991 0.174459 0.000000	0.301200 0.208106 0.169664 0.175816 0.146121 0.000000	0.301200 0.208106 0.179455 0.176630 0.147660 0.177797	0.301200 0.218866 0.173810 0.175424 0.146821 0.150308	0.301200 0.218866 0.167214 0.175648 0.146648 0.138120	0.301200 0.218866 0.172216 0.171385 0.143299 0.000000	
Ontano Delivered Gas	0.000000	0.000000	0.104007	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.177797	0.150508	0.136120	0.000000	
Total Gas Cost (\$)													
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Dawn Delivery Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Ontario Delivered Gas TCPL Transportation	24,756 29,583 0 258,593 59,003 0 17,192	25,581 26,946 87,480 263,455 58,144 0 17,765	24,756 30,389 44,996 207,234 53,885 192,395 17,192	25,581 27,181 46,120 214,142 54,679 0 17,765	25,581 28,940 71,701 214,142 52,120 0 17,956	24,756 31,066 69,100 207,234 52,227 0 17,747	25,581 29,079 39,638 225,419 52,651 0 18,004	24,756 26,493 108,827 134,702 41,430 0 16,915	25,581 24,763 118,397 139,192 43,063 115,712 17,479	25,581 23,893 115,460 139,192 43,112 135,310 22,301	23,106 17,967 100,201 125,722 38,844 31,580 20,142	25,582 25,184 117,098 139,192 43,069 0 22,301	301,199 321,486 919,019 2,268,217 592,227 474,998 222,757
Total	389,127	479,371	570,847	385,468	410,441	402,130	390,373	353,122	484,186	504,849	357,563	372,426	5,099,902

# **ACTUAL AND FORECAST GAS PRICES**

# HISTORICAL TWELVE MONTH PERIOD - APRIL, 2014 TO MARCH, 2015

		<u>Apr-14</u>	<u>May-14</u>	<u>Jun-14</u>	<u>Jul-14</u>	<u>Aug-14</u>	<u>Sep-14</u>	Oct-14	<u>Nov-14</u>	<u>Dec-14</u>	<u>Jan-15</u>	Feb-15	<u>Mar-15</u>
Local Production Local Production (A	a) (\$/GJ)	7.807	7.720	7.837	7.839	7.807	7.844	7.778	7.778	7.742	7.795	7.785	7.979
Local Production (B	s) (\$/GJ)	6.124	6.056	6.148	6.150	6.125	6.153	5.374	5.374	5.349	5.664	5.657	5.798
<u>Dawn</u>	(\$/GJ)	0.000	4.860	4.950	4.910	4.244	4.358	4.220	4.381	4.613	4.498	4.322	4.562
<u>Parkway</u>	(\$/GJ)	4.980	4.910	4.837	4.837	4.837	4.837	4.803	4.540	4.540	4.540	4.540	4.540
Western Deliveries	(\$/GJ)	5.287	5.042	4.828	4.742	4.472	4.534	4.505	3.773	3.795	3.800	3.790	3.796
Fuel Ratio	(%)	4.57%	4.03%	2.96%	1.61%	2.93%	3.65%	4.24%	3.21%	4.69%	5.43%	5.19%	4.00%
TCPL Transportation TCPL Toll	(\$/GJ)	1.5405	1.5405	1.5405	1.5405	1.5405	1.5405	1.5405	1.5405	1.5405	1.9655	1.9655	1.9655
GJ/day (TCPL)		372	372	372	372	376	384	377	366	366	366	366	366
Delivery Committme	ent Credit (\$/GJ)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
GJ/day (Obligated)		2,103	2,103	2,103	2,103	2,107	2,115	2,194	2,183	2,183	2,183	2,183	2,183
Ontario Delivered Ga	<u>s</u> (\$/GJ)	0.000	0.000	4.810	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	4.570	3.890	3.570	0.000
Heat Value	(GJ/103m3)	38.58	39.02	38.43	38.42	38.58	38.40	38.72	38.73	38.91	38.64	38.69	37.75

### **NATURAL RESOURCE GAS LIMITED**

### PURCHASED GAS COMMODITY VARIANCE ACCOUNT

### PROJECTED TWELVE MONTH FORWARD PERIOD - APRIL, 2015 TO MARCH, 2016 (WITH CHANGE IN REFERENCE PRICE)

<u>Month</u>	Purchase Cost ( <u>\$'s)</u>	<u>M*3</u>	Forecast Price (\$/M*3)	Reference Price (\$/M*3)	Unit Rate Difference (\$/M*3)	Monthly PGCVA ( <u>\$'s)</u>	Y-T-D PGCVA ( <u>\$'s)</u> (1)	Monthly Interest (\$'s)	Y-T-D Interest ( <u>\$'s)</u> (2)	Total PGCVA <u>(\$'s)</u>	Total Y-T-D PGCVA <u>(\$'s)</u>	Average Residential Consumption (M*3)	Monthly Interest <u>Rate</u>
April	352,154	1,934,834	0.182007	0.208718	0.026711	51,681.36	-564,039.06	-754.26	-67,880.32	50,927.10	-631,919.38	186.6	1.47%
May	362,393	1,992,662	0.181864	0.208718	0.026854	53,510.95	-510,528.11	-690.95	-68,571.27	52,820.00	-579,099.38	89.7	1.47%
June	351,956	1,934,834	0.181905	0.208718	0.026813	51,878.72	-458,649.39	-625.40	-69,196.67	51,253.32	-527,846.06	53.1	1.47%
July	362,393	1,992,662	0.181864	0.208718	0.026854	53,510.95	-405,138.44	-561.85	-69,758.52	52,949.10	-474,896.96	40.9	1.47%
August	362,393	1,992,662	0.181864	0.208718	0.026854	53,510.95	-351,627.49	-496.29	-70,254.81	53,014.66	-421,882.30	42.8	1.47%
September	542,219	3,354,570	0.161636	0.208718	0.047082	157,939.86	-193,687.63	-430.74	-70,685.55	157,509.12	-264,373.18	58.5	1.47%
October	362,393	1,992,662	0.181864	0.208718	0.026854	53,510.95	-140,176.68	-237.27	-70,922.82	53,273.68	-211,099.50	118.7	1.47%
November	361,809	1,934,834	0.186997	0.208718	0.021721	42,026.54	-98,150.14	-171.72	-71,094.54	41,854.82	-169,244.68	202.7	1.47%
December	372,575	1,992,662	0.186974	0.208718	0.021744	43,328.45	-54,821.69	-120.23	-71,214.77	43,208.22	-126,036.46	321.8	1.47%
January	372,575	1,992,662	0.186974	0.208718	0.021744	43,328.45	-11,493.24	-67.16	-71,281.93	43,261.29	-82,775.17	355.2	1.47%
February	340,276	1,819,179	0.187049	0.208718	0.021669	39,419.79	27,926.55	-14.08	-71,296.01	39,405.71	-43,369.46	293.2	1.47%
March	<u>372,575</u>	1,992,662	0.186974	0.208718	0.021744	43,328.45	71,255.00	34.21	<u>-71,261.80</u>	43,362.66	<u>-6.80</u>	<u>246.2</u>	1.47%
Total	4,515,712	24,926,888	0.181158			686,975.42	71,255.00	-4,135.74	-71,261.80	682,839.68	-6.80	2,009.4	

PGCVA Balance per M\*3 Purchased (\$/M\*3) Forecast Average Residential Consumption per Customer Estimated Impact on Average Residential Customer

(\$0.000000)2,009.4 M\*3

\$0.00 Customer Charge

(1) Includes March, 2015 year-to-date balance of (See Schedule 2) (\$615,720.42) (2) Includes March, 2015 year-to-date balance of (\$67,126.06) (See Schedule 2)

# **COMPOSITION AND COST OF GAS BY SUPPLY SOURCE**

# PROJECTED TWELVE MONTH FORWARD PERIOD - APRIL, 2015 TO MARCH, 2016

Volumes (m3)	<u>Apr-15</u>	<u>May-15</u>	<u>Jun-15</u>	<u>Jul-15</u>	<u>Aug-15</u>	<u>Sep-15</u>	<u>Oct-15</u>	<u>Nov-15</u>	<u>Dec-15</u>	<u>Jan-16</u>	<u>Feb-16</u>	<u>Mar-16</u>	<u>Total</u>
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Dawn Delivery Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Ontario Delivered Gas	82,192 117,808 658,013 785,960 290,861 <u>0</u>	84,932 115,068 679,947 812,159 300,556 <u>0</u>	82,192 117,808 658,013 785,960 290,861 <u>0</u>	84,932 115,068 679,947 812,159 300,556 <u>0</u>	84,932 115,068 679,947 812,159 300,556 <u>0</u>	82,192 117,808 658,013 785,960 290,861 1,419,736	84,932 115,068 679,947 812,159 300,556 <u>0</u>	82,192 117,808 658,013 785,960 290,861 <u>0</u>	84,932 115,068 679,947 812,159 300,556 <u>0</u>	84,932 115,068 679,947 812,159 300,556 <u>0</u>	76,708 123,292 614,146 733,563 271,470 <u>0</u>	84,932 115,068 679,947 812,159 300,556 <u>0</u>	1,000,000 1,400,000 8,005,828 9,562,517 3,538,808 1,419,736
Total	1,934,834	1,992,662	1,934,834	1,992,662	1,992,662	3,354,570	1,992,662	1,934,834	1,992,662	1,992,662	1,819,179	1,992,662	24,926,888
<u>Price (\$/m3)</u>													
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Dawn Delivery Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Ontario Delivered Gas	0.301200 0.194138 0.161948 0.171385 0.143299 0.000000	0.301200 0.194138 0.161646 0.171385 0.143299 0.000000	0.301200 0.194138 0.161646 0.171385 0.143299 0.000000	0.301200 0.194138 0.161646 0.171385 0.143299 0.000000	0.301200 0.194138 0.161646 0.171385 0.143299 0.000000	0.301200 0.194138 0.161646 0.171385 0.143299 0.134013	0.301200 0.194138 0.161646 0.171385 0.143299 0.000000	0.301200 0.194138 0.164099 0.177803 0.154284 0.000000	0.301200 0.194138 0.164099 0.177803 0.154284 0.000000	0.301200 0.194138 0.164099 0.177803 0.154284 0.000000	0.301200 0.194138 0.164099 0.177803 0.154284 0.000000	0.301200 0.194138 0.164099 0.177803 0.154284 0.000000	
Total Gas Cost (\$)													
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Dawn Delivery Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Ontario Delivered Gas TCPL Transportation	24,756 22,871 106,564 134,702 41,680 0 21,581	25,582 22,339 109,911 139,192 43,069 0 22,301	24,756 22,871 106,365 134,702 41,680 0 21,581	25,582 22,339 109,911 139,192 43,069 0 22,301	25,582 22,339 109,911 139,192 43,069 0 22,301	24,756 22,871 106,365 134,702 41,680 190,263 21,581	25,582 22,339 109,911 139,192 43,069 0 22,301	24,756 22,871 107,979 139,746 44,875 0 21,581	25,582 22,339 111,579 144,404 46,371 0 22,301	25,582 22,339 111,579 144,404 46,371 0 22,301	23,104 23,936 100,781 130,430 41,884 0 20,142	25,582 22,339 111,579 144,404 46,371 0 22,301	301,200 271,793 1,302,433 1,664,262 523,190 190,263 262,571
Total	352,154	362,393	351,956	362,393	362,393	542,219	362,393	361,809	372,575	372,575	340,276	372,575	4,515,712

# **FORECAST GAS PRICES**

# PROJECTED TWELVE MONTH FORWARD PERIOD - APRIL, 2015 TO MARCH, 2016

		<u>Apr-15</u>	<u>May-15</u>	<u>Jun-15</u>	<u>Jul-15</u>	<u>Aug-15</u>	<u>Sep-15</u>	Oct-15	<u>Nov-15</u>	<u>Dec-15</u>	<u>Jan-16</u>	Feb-16	<u>Mar-16</u>
Local Production Local Production (A	(\$/GJ)	7.979	7.979	7.979	7.979	7.979	7.979	7.979	7.979	7.979	7.979	7.979	7.979
Local Production (B	3) (\$/GJ)	5.143	5.143	5.143	5.143	5.143	5.143	5.143	5.143	5.143	5.143	5.143	5.143
<u>Dawn</u>	(\$/GJ)	4.290	4.282	4.282	4.282	4.282	4.282	4.282	4.347	4.347	4.347	4.347	4.347
<u>Parkway</u>	(\$/GJ)	4.540	4.540	4.540	4.540	4.540	4.540	4.540	4.710	4.710	4.710	4.710	4.710
Western Deliveries	(\$/GJ)	3.796	3.796	3.796	3.796	3.796	3.796	3.796	4.087	4.087	4.087	4.087	4.087
Fuel Ratio	(%)	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%	4.00%
TCPL Transportation TCPL Toll	(\$/GJ)	1.9655	1.9655	1.9655	1.9655	1.9655	1.9655	1.9655	1.9655	1.9655	1.9655	1.9655	1.9655
GJ/day (TCPL)		366	366	366	366	366	366	366	366	366	366	366	366
Delivery Committme	ent Credit	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
GJ/day (Obligated)		2,183	2,183	2,183	2,183	2,183	2,183	2,183	2,183	2,183	2,183	2,183	2,183
Ontario Delivered Ga	<u>s</u> (\$/GJ)	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	3.550	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Heat Value	(GJ/103m3)	37.75	37.75	37.75	37.75	37.75	37.75	37.75	37.75	37.75	37.75	37.75	37.75

### GAS PURCHASE REBALANCING ACCOUNT

### APRIL, 2014 THROUGH MARCH, 2016

<u>Month</u>	Purchase Volume ( <u>M*3)</u> A	Throughput Volume (M*3) B	Direct Purchase Volume ( <u>M*3)</u> C	System Sales Volume (M*3) D=B-C	Deemed U.F.G. (M*3) E	System Sales + U.F.G. (M*3) F=D+E	Monthly Inventory Balance (M*3) G=A-F	Cumulative Inventory (M*3) H (1)	Reference Price (\$/M*3) I	Inventory Revaluation (\$'s) J	Inventory Rate (\$/M*3) K	Inventory Recovery ( <u>\$'s)</u> L=KxD	Y-T-D GPRA Balance ( <u>\$'s)</u> M (2)	Monthly Interest (\$'s) N	Y-T-D Interest (\$'s) O (3)	Total Y-T-D GPRA <u>(\$'s)</u> P=M+O	Monthly Interest <u>Rate</u>
April	1,842,589	4,480,961	2,476,246	2,004,715	0	2,004,715	-162,126	-2,994,303	0.315237	0.00	0.009556	19,157.06	-371,167.10	-478.15	4,956.05	-366,211.05	1.47%
May	2,331,232	3,730,885	2,732,424	998,461	0	998,461	1,332,771	-1,661,531	0.315237	0.00	0.009556	9,541.29	-361,625.81	-454.68	4,501.37	-357,124.44	1.47%
June	2,893,041	3,027,097	2,579,360	447,737	0	447,737	2,445,304	783,773	0.315237	0.00	0.009556	4,278.57	-357,347.23	-442.99	4,058.38	-353,288.85	1.47%
July	1,896,767	2,549,886	2,103,625	446,261	0	446,261	1,450,506	2,234,279	0.315237	0.00	0.009556	4,264.47	-353,082.76	-437.75	3,620.63	-349,462.13	1.47%
August	2,094,815	3,824,759	2,868,780	955,979	0	955,979	1,138,836	3,373,115	0.315237	0.00	0.009556	9,135.34	-343,947.42	-432.53	3,188.10	-340,759.32	1.47%
September	2,042,170	4,071,592	2,576,990	1,494,602	0	1,494,602	547,568	3,920,683	0.315237	-327,796.52	0.009556	14,282.42	-657,461.50	-421.34	2,766.76	-654,694.74	1.47%
October	1,981,011	4,908,332	2,982,611	1,925,721	0	1,925,721	55,290	3,975,973	0.231630	0.00	0.030284	58,318.53	-599,142.97	-805.39	1,961.37	-597,181.60	1.47%
November	1,900,605	6,980,304	3,347,715	3,632,589	0	3,632,589	-1,731,984	2,243,989	0.231630	0.00	0.030284	110,009.33	-489,133.64	-733.95	1,227.42	-487,906.22	1.47%
December	2,594,170	7,116,185	3,343,765	3,772,420	0	3,772,420	-1,178,250	1,065,739	0.231630	-10,143.70	0.030284	114,243.97	-385,033.37	-599.19	628.23	-384,405.14	1.47%
January	2,845,697	7,219,445	3,283,470	3,935,975	0	3,935,975	-1,090,278	-24,539	0.222112	0.00	0.014861	58,492.52	-326,540.85	-471.67	156.56	-326,384.29	1.47%
February	1,967,329	7,371,911	2,853,493	4,518,417	0	4,518,417	-2,551,088	-2,575,627	0.222112	0.00	0.014861	67,148.20	-259,392.65	-400.01	-243.45	-259,636.10	1.47%
March	1,992,662	5,527,262	2,744,961	2,782,301	0	2,782,301	-789,639	-3,365,266	0.222112	45,074.37	0.014861	41,347.78	-172,970.50	-317.76	-561.21	-173,531.71	1.47%
April	1,934,834	4,254,841	2,685,665	1,569,176	0	1,569,176	365,658	-2,999,608	0.208718	0.00	0.006929	10,872.82	-162,097.68	-211.89	-773.10	-162,870.78	1.47%
May	1,992,662	3,493,180	2,661,298	831,882	0	831,882	1,160,780	-1,838,827	0.208718	0.00	0.006929	5,764.11	-156,333.57	-198.57	-971.67	-157,305.24	1.47%
June	1,934,834	3,076,361	2,638,035	438,326	0	438,326	1,496,508	-342,319	0.208718	0.00	0.006929	3,037.16	-153,296.41	-191.51	-1,163.18	-154,459.59	1.47%
July	1,992,662	3,069,806	2,646,622	423,184	0	423,184	1,569,478	1,227,159	0.208718	0.00	0.006929	2,932.24	-150,364.17	-187.79	-1,350.97	-151,715.14	1.47%
August	1,992,662	3,546,615	2,639,204	907,411	0	907,411	1,085,251	2,312,411	0.208718	0.00	0.006929	6,287.45	-144,076.72	-184.20	-1,535.17	-145,611.89	1.47%
September	3,354,570	4,058,210	2,699,547	1,358,663	0	1,358,663	1,995,907	4,308,318	0.208718	0.00	0.006929	9,414.18	-134,662.54	-176.49	-1,711.66	-136,374.20	1.47%
October	1,992,662	5,171,595	2,783,246	2,388,349	0	2,388,349	-395,687	3,912,631	0.208718	0.00	0.006929	16,548.87	-118,113.67	-164.96	-1,876.62	-119,990.29	1.47%
November	1,934,834	6,471,595	2,807,687	3,663,908	0	3,663,908	-1,729,074	2,183,557	0.208718	0.00	0.006929	25,387.22	-92,726.45	-144.69	-2,021.31	-94,747.76	1.47%
December	1,992,662	6,521,595	2,795,357	3,726,238	0	3,726,238	-1,733,576	449,982	0.208718	0.00	0.006929	25,819.10	-66,907.35	-113.59	-2,134.90	-69,042.25	1.47%
January	1,992,662	6,421,595	2,824,409	3,597,186	0	3,597,186	-1,604,524	-1,154,542	0.208718	0.00	0.006929	24,924.90	-41,982.45	-81.96	-2,216.86	-44,199.31	1.47%
February	1,819,179	6,121,595	2,807,462	3,314,133	0	3,314,133	-1,494,954	-2,649,496	0.208718	0.00	0.006929	22,963.63	-19,018.82	-51.43	-2,268.29	-21,287.11	1.47%
March	1,992,662	5,821,595	2,744,961	3,076,634	0	3,076,634	-1,083,972	-3,733,468	0.208718	0.00	0.006929	21,318.00	2,299.18	-23.30	-2,291.59	7.59	1.47%

Includes balance of Includes balance of

-2,832,177 as of March, 2014 -390,324.16 as of March, 2014

(1) (2) (3) Includes balance of

5,434.20 as of March, 2014

# **RESIDENTIAL BILL COMPARISONS**

# **QUARTERLY BILL IMPACT**

	Quarter Starting 01-Apr-14 EB-2014-0053	Quarter Starting 01-Apr-15 EB-2015-0046	\$ <u>Change</u>	Percent <u>Change</u>			
Average Residential Consumption for Quarter	329.4	329.4					
Monthly Charges Delivery Charges Total Commodity Charges	\$40.50 \$51.58 <u>\$107.11</u>	\$40.50 \$51.58 <u>\$71.15</u>	\$0.00 \$0.00 (\$35.95)	0.0% 0.0% <u>-33.6%</u>			
Total Customer Charges	\$199.19	\$163.24	(\$35.95)	-18.0%			
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# **ANNUAL BILL IMPACT**

	01-Jan-15 <u>EB-2014-0358</u>	01-Apr-15 EB-2015-0046	\$ <u>Change</u>	Percent <u>Change</u>
Average Residential Consumption	2,009.4	2,009.4		
Monthly Charges	\$162.00	\$162.00	\$0.00	0.0%
Delivery Charges	\$314.67	\$314.67	\$0.00	0.0%
Total Commodity Charges	<u>\$476.90</u>	<u>\$434.05</u>	<u>(\$42.85)</u>	<u>-9.0%</u>
Total Customer Charges	\$953.58	\$910.72	(\$42.85)	-4.5%

# **RATES USED**

	01-Apr-14	01-Jan-15	01-Apr-15
	EB-2014-0053	EB-2014-0358	EB-2015-0046
Monthly charge	13.50	13.50	13.50
Delivery Charge	0.156601	0.156601	0.156601
Total Commodity Charge	0.325156	0.237336	0.216010

# APPENDIX "A" TO DECISION AND INTERIM ORDER BOARD FILE No. EB-2015-0046 DATED MARCH XX, 2015

### **RATE 1 - General Service Rate**

### **Rate Availability**

The entire service area of the Company.

### **Eligibility**

All customers.

### Rate

a) Monthly Fixed Charge \$13.50

b) Delivery Charge

First 1,000 m³ per month 15.6601 cents per m³
All over 1,000 m³ per month 10.6527 cents per m³

c) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable) Schedule A

### **Meter Readings**

Gas consumption by each customer under this rate schedule shall be determined by monthly meter reading, provided that in circumstances beyond the control of the company such as strikes or non-access to a meter, the company may estimate the consumption each month as of the scheduled date of the regular monthly meter reading and render a monthly bill to the customer thereof.

### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

## **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where a customer elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than NRG, the customer or their agent, must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with NRG for delivery of gas to NRG. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to customers who elect said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by NRG, customers who are delivering gas to NRG under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to NRG, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

Effective: April 01, 2015

Implementation: All bills rendered on or after April 01, 2015

### **RATE 2 - Seasonal Service**

### **Rate Availability**

The entire service area of the company.

### **Eligibility**

All customers.

### Rate

For	all gas consumed from:	April 1 through October 31:	November 1 through March 31:		
a)	Monthly Fixed Charge	\$15.00	\$15.00		
b)	Delivery Charge First 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month Next 24,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month All over 25,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	14.5236 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 9.4826 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 6.1698 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	18.3068 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 15.6960 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 15.2899 cents per m <sup>3</sup>		
c)	Gas Supply Charge and System Gas F	Refund Rate Rider (if applicable)	Schedule A		

### **Meter Readings**

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# **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where a customer elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than NRG, the customer or their agent, must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with NRG for delivery of gas to NRG. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to customers who elect said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by NRG, customers who are delivering gas to NRG under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to NRG, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

Effective: April 01, 2015

Implementation: All bills rendered on or after April 01, 2015

## **RATE 3 - Special Large Volume Contract Rate**

### **Rate Availability**

Entire service area of the company.

### **Eligibility**

A customer who enters into a contract with the company for the purchase or transportation of gas:

- a) for a minimum term of one year;
- b) that specifies a combined daily contracted demand for firm and interruptible service of at least 700 m<sup>3</sup>; and
- c) a qualifying annual volume of at least 113,000 m<sup>3</sup>.

### Rate

- 1. Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:
  - a) A Monthly Customer Charge:
    - A Monthly Customer Charge of \$150.00 for firm or interruptible customers; or A Monthly Customer Charge of \$175.00 for combined (firm and interruptible) customers.
  - b) A Monthly Demand Charge:
    - A Monthly Demand Charge of 29.0974 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for each m<sup>3</sup> of daily contracted firm demand.
  - c) A Monthly Delivery Charge:
    - (i) A Monthly Firm Delivery Charge for all firm volumes of 3.8521 cents per m<sup>3</sup>,
    - (ii) A Monthly Interruptible Delivery Charge for all interruptible volumes to be negotiated between the company and the customer not to exceed 10.9612 cents per m<sup>3</sup> and not to be less than 7.9412 per m<sup>3</sup>.
  - d) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable) Schedule A
  - e) Overrun Gas Charges:

Overrun gas is available without penalty provided that it is authorized by the company in advance. The company will not unreasonably withhold authorization.

If, on any day, the customer should take, without the company's approval in advance, a volume of gas in excess of the maximum quantity of gas which the company is obligated to deliver to the customer on such day, or if, on any day, the customer fails to comply with any curtailment notice reducing the customer's take of gas, then,

- (i) the volume of gas taken in excess of the company's maximum delivery obligation for such day, or
- (ii) the volume of gas taken in the period on such day covered by such curtailment notice (as determined by the company in accordance with its usual practice) in excess of the volume of gas authorized to be taken in such period by such curtailment notice,

as the case may be, shall constitute unauthorized overrun volume.

Any unauthorized firm overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 3 Firm Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs. In addition, the Contract Demand level shall be adjusted to the actual maximum daily volume taken and the Demand Charges stated above shall apply for the whole contract year,

including retroactively, if necessary, thereby requiring recomputation of bills rendered previously in the contract year.

Any unauthorized interruptible overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 1 Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs plus any Gas Supply Charge applicable.

For any unauthorized overrun gas taken, the customer shall, in addition, indemnify the company in respect of any penalties or additional costs imposed on the company by the company's suppliers, any additional gas cost incurred or any sales margins lost as a consequence of the customer taking the unauthorized overrun volume.

- 2. In negotiating the Monthly Interruptible Commodity Charge referred to in 1(c)(ii) above, the matters to be considered include:
  - a) The volume of gas for which the customer is willing to contract;
  - b) The load factor of the customer's anticipated gas consumption, the pattern of annual use, and the minimum annual quantity of gas which the customer is willing to contract to take or in any event pay for;
  - c) Interruptible or curtailment provisions;
  - d) Competition.
- 3. In each contract year, the customer shall take delivery from the company, or in any event pay for it if available and not accepted by the customer, a minimum volume of gas as specified in the contract between the parties. Overrun volumes will not contribute to the minimum volume. The rate applicable to the shortfall from this minimum shall be 3.1530 cents per m³ for firm gas and 5.4412 cents per m³ for interruptible gas.
- 4. The contract may provide that the Monthly Demand Charge specified in Rate Section 1 above shall not apply on all or part of the daily contracted firm demand used by the customer during the testing, commissioning, phasing in, decommissioning and phasing out of gas-using equipment for a period not to exceed one year (the transition period). In such event, the contract will provide for a Monthly Firm Delivery Commodity Charge to be applied on such volume during the transition of 5.7163 cents per m³ and a gas supply commodity charge as set out in Schedule A, if applicable. Gas purchased under this clause will not contribute to the minimum volume.

## **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

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Unless otherwise authorized by NRG, customers who are delivering gas to NRG under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to NRG, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

Effective: April 01, 2015

Implementation: All bills rendered on or after April 01, 2015

# **RATE 4 - General Service Peaking**

### **Rate Availability**

The entire service area of the company.

### **Eligibility**

All customers whose operations, in the judgment of Natural Resource Gas Limited, can readily accept interruption and restoration of gas service with 24 hours notice.

### Rate

For a	all gas consumed from:	April 1 through December 31:	January 1 through March 31:
a)	Monthly Fixed Charge	\$15.00	\$15.00
b)	Delivery Charge First 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month All over 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> per month	15.1257cents per m <sup>3</sup> 10.5218 cents per m <sup>3</sup>	19.2963 cents per m <sup>3</sup> 16.9052 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
c)	Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refu	nd Rate Rider (if applicable)	Schedule A

### **Meter Readings**

Gas consumption by each customer under this rate schedule shall be determined by monthly meter reading provided that in circumstances beyond the control of the company such as strikes or non-access to a meter, the company may estimate the consumption each month as of the scheduled date of the regular monthly meter reading and render a monthly bill to the customer thereof.

### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

## **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where a customer elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than NRG, the customer or their agent, must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with NRG for delivery of gas to NRG. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to customers who elect said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by NRG, customers who are delivering gas to NRG under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to NRG, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

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### **RATE 5 - Interruptible Peaking Contract Rate**

### **Rate Availability**

Entire service area of the company.

### **Eligibility**

A customer who enters into a contract with the company for the purchase or transportation of gas:

- a) for a minimum term of one year;
- b) that specifies a daily contracted demand for interruptible service of at least 700 m<sup>3</sup>; and
- c) a qualifying annual volume of at least 50,000 m<sup>3</sup>.

### Rate

- 1. Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:
  - a) Monthly Fixed Charge

\$150.00.

b) A Monthly Delivery Charge:

A Monthly Delivery Charge for all interruptible volumes to be negotiated between the company and the customer not to exceed 8.4612 cents per m<sup>3</sup> and not to be less than 5.4612 per m<sup>3</sup>.

c) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable)

Schedule A

d) Overrun Gas Charge:

Overrun gas is available without penalty provided that it is authorized by the company in advance. The company will not unreasonably withhold authorization.

If, on any day, the customer should take, without the company's approval in advance, a volume of gas in excess of the maximum quantity of gas which the company is obligated to deliver to the customer on such day, or if, on any day, the customer fails to comply with any curtailment notice reducing the customer's take of gas, then

- (i) the volume of gas taken in excess of the company's maximum delivery obligation for such day, or
- (ii) the volume of gas taken in the period on such day covered by such curtailment notice (as determined by the company in accordance with its usual practice) in excess of the volume of gas authorized to be taken in such period by such curtailment notice,

as the case may be, shall constitute unauthorized overrun volume.

Any unauthorized overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 1 Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs plus any applicable Gas Supply Charge.

For any unauthorized overrun gas taken, the customer shall, in addition, indemnify the company in respect of any penalties or additional costs imposed on the company by the company's suppliers, any additional gas cost incurred or any sales margins lost as a consequence of the customer taking the unauthorized overrun volume.

- 2. In negotiating the Monthly Interruptible Commodity Charge referred to in 1(c) above, the matters to be considered include:
  - a) The volume of gas for which the customer is willing to contract;
  - b) The load factor of the customer's anticipated gas consumption and the pattern of annual use and the minimum annual quantity of gas which the customer is willing to contract to take or in any event pay for;

- c) Interruptible or curtailment provisions;
- d) Competition.
- 3. In each contract year, the customer shall take delivery from the company, or in any event pay for it if available and not accepted by the customer, a minimum volume of gas of 50,000 m<sup>3</sup>. Overrun volumes will not contribute to the minimum volume. The rate applicable to the shortfall from this annual minimum shall be 7.0069 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for interruptible gas.

### **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where a customer elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than NRG, the customer or their agent, must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with NRG for delivery of gas to NRG. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to customers who elect said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by NRG, customers who are delivering gas to NRG under direct purchase arrangements must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to NRG, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

When payment is not made in full by the due date noted on the bill, which date shall not be less than 16 calendar days after the date of mailing, hand delivery or electronic transmission of the bill, the balance owing will be increased by 1.5%. Any balance remaining unpaid in subsequent months will be increased by a further 1.5% per month. The minimum delayed payment penalty shall be one dollar (\$1.00).

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### RATE 6 - Integrated Grain Processors Co-Operative Aylmer Ethanol Production Facility

### **Rate Availability**

Rate 6 is available to the Integrated Grain Processors Co-Operative, Aylmer Ethanol Production Facility only.

### **Eligibility**

Integrated Grain Processors Co-Operative's ("IGPC") ethanol production facility located in the Town of Aylmer

### Rate

- 1. Bills will be rendered monthly and shall be the total of:
  - a) Monthly Customer Charge of \$150.00 for firm services

Rate Rider for reduction in Aid to Construct - effective until September 30, 2016 \$(41,786.54)

b) A Monthly Demand Charge:

A Monthly Demand Charge of 18.3951 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for each m<sup>3</sup> of daily contracted firm demand.

- c) A Monthly Delivery Charge:
  - (i) A Monthly Firm Delivery Charge for all firm volumes of 3.7976 cents per m<sup>3</sup>,
  - (ii) A Monthly Interruptible Delivery Charge for all interruptible volumes to be negotiated between the company and IGPC not to exceed 10.9612 cents per m<sup>3</sup> and not to be less than 7.9412 per m<sup>3</sup>.
- d) Gas Supply Charge and System Gas Refund Rate Rider (if applicable) Schedule A
- e) Overrun Gas Charges:

Overrun gas is available without penalty provided that it is authorized by the company in advance. The company will not unreasonably withhold authorization.

If, on any day, IGPC should take, without the company's approval in advance, a volume of gas in excess of the maximum quantity of gas which the company is obligated to deliver to IGPC on such day, or if, on any day, IGPC fails to comply with any curtailment notice reducing IGPC's take of gas, then,

- (i) the volume of gas taken in excess of the company's maximum delivery obligation for such day, or
- (ii) the volume of gas taken in the period on such day covered by such curtailment notice (as determined by the company in accordance with its usual practice) in excess of the volume of gas authorized to be taken in such period by such curtailment notice,

as the case may be, shall constitute unauthorized overrun volume.

Any unauthorized firm overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 6 Firm Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs. In addition, the Contract Demand level shall be adjusted to the actual maximum daily volume taken and the Demand Charges stated above shall apply for the whole contract year, including retroactively, if necessary, thereby requiring recomputation of bills rendered previously in the contract year.

Any unauthorized interruptible overrun gas taken in any month shall be paid for at the Rate 1 Delivery Charge in effect at the time the overrun occurs plus any Gas Supply Charge applicable.

For any unauthorized overrun gas taken, IGPC shall, in addition, indemnify the company in respect of any penalties or additional costs imposed on the company by the company's suppliers, any additional gas cost incurred or any sales margins lost as a consequence of the customer taking the unauthorized overrun volume.

- 2. In negotiating the Monthly Interruptible Commodity Charge referred to in 1(c)(ii) above, the matters to be considered include:
  - a) The volume of gas for which IGPC is willing to contract;
  - b) The load factor of IGPC's anticipated gas consumption, the pattern of annual use, and the minimum annual quantity of gas which IGPC is willing to contract to take or in any event pay for;
  - c) Interruptible or curtailment provisions;
  - d) Competition.
- 3. In each contract year, IGPC shall take delivery from the company, or in any event pay for it if available and not accepted by the IGPC, a minimum volume of gas as specified in the contract between the parties. Overrun volumes will not contribute to the minimum volume. The rate applicable to the shortfall from this minimum shall be 3.1530 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for firm gas and 5.4412 cents per m<sup>3</sup> for interruptible gas.
- 4. The contract may provide that the Monthly Demand Charge specified in Rate Section 1 above shall not apply on all or part of the daily contracted firm demand used by the IGPC during the testing, commissioning, phasing in, decommissioning and phasing out of gas-using equipment for a period not to exceed one year (the transition period). In such event, the contract will provide for a Monthly Firm Delivery Commodity Charge to be applied on such volume during the transition of 5.7163 cents per m³ and a gas supply commodity charge as set out in Schedule A, if applicable. Gas purchased under this clause will not contribute to the minimum volume.

### **Bundled Direct Purchase Delivery**

Where IGPC elects under this rate schedule to directly purchase its gas from a supplier other than NRG, IGPC or its agent, must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with NRG for delivery of gas to NRG. Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract rates are described in rate schedule BT1. The gas supply charge will not be applicable to IGPC if it elects said Bundled T transportation service.

Unless otherwise authorized by NRG, IGPC, when delivering gas to NRG under direct purchase arrangements, must obligate to deliver said gas at a point acceptable to NRG, and must acquire and maintain firm transportation on all pipeline systems upstream of Ontario.

### **Delayed Payment Penalty**

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# **SCHEDULE A – Gas Supply Charges**

# **Rate Availability**

Entire service area of the company.

# **Eligibility**

All customers served under Rates 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

# Rate

The Gas Supply Charge applicable to all sales customers shall be made up of the following charges:

PGCVA Reference Price	(EB-2015-0046)	20.8718 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
GPRA Recovery Rate	(EB-2015-0046)	$0.6929 \text{ cents per m}^3$
System Gas Fee	(EB-2010-0018)	0.0363 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Total Gas Supply Charge		21.6010 cents per m <sup>3</sup>

### Note:

PGCVA means Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account GPRA means Gas Purchase Rebalancing Account

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### **RATE BT1 – Bundled Direct Purchase Contract Rate**

# **Availability**

Rate BT1 is available to all customers or their agent, who enter into a Receipt Contract for delivery of gas to NRG. The availability of this option is subject to NRG obtaining a satisfactory agreement or arrangement with Union Gas and NRG's gas supplier for direct purchase volume and DCQ offsets.

# **Eligibility**

All customers electing to purchase gas directly from a supplier other than NRG must enter into a Bundled T-Service Receipt Contract with NRG either directly or through their agent, for delivery of gas to NRG at a mutually acceptable delivery point.

# Rate

For gas delivered to NRG at any point other than the Ontario Point of Delivery, NRG will charge a customer or their agent, all approved tolls and charges incurred by NRG to transport the gas to the Ontario Point of Delivery.

Note:

Ontario Point of Delivery means Dawn or Parkway on the Union Gas System as agreed to by NRG and NRG's customer or their agent.

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# **Transmission Service**

# **Availability**

Transmission Service charges shall be applied to Natural Resource Gas Corp.

### **Eligibility**

Only Natural Resource Gas Corp. shall be charged the Transmission Service Rate. Fees and Charges will be applied only in those months that NRG Corp. delivers gas to a delivery point on NRG's system.

# Rate

Administrative Charge \$250/month Transportation Rate \$0.95/mcf

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# APPENDIX "B" TO DECISION AND INTERIM ORDER BOARD FILE No. EB-2015-0046 DATED MARCH XX, 2015

### Accounting Entries for the Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account

Note: Account numbers are in accordance with the Uniform System of Accounts for Gas Utilities, Class A, prescribed under the Ontario Energy Board Act.

To record monthly as a debit (credit) in Deferral Account No. 179-27 (PGCVA) the decrease (increase) to reflect the projected changes in gas costs and prospective recovery of the balances of the gas supply deferral accounts approved by the Board for rate making purposes.

Debit/Credit Account No. 179-27 Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account (PGCVA)

Credit/Debit Account No. 623 Cost of Gas

To record as a debit (credit) in Deferral Account No. 179-28, interest on the balance in Deferral Account

Debit/Credit Account No. 179-28 Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account (PGCVA)

Credit/Debit Account No. 323 Other Interest Expense

Simple interest will be computed monthly on the opening balance in the said account in accordance with the methodology approved by the Board in EB-2006-0117.

# APPENDIX "C" TO DECISION AND INTERIM ORDER BOARD FILE No. EB-2015-0046 DATED MARCH XX, 2015

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR GAS BILL

On all bills rendered by NRG on or after April 1, 2015, the price we charge for the gas commodity and transportation portion of your bill will be decreasing by \$0.021326 per cubic meter to \$0.216010 per cubic meter. The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) has approved this change to reflect the prices that NRG expects that it will be paying to its gas suppliers through to the end of March, 2016. On your gas bill this cost is on the line entitled "Gas Commodity".

As a regulated utility, NRG is permitted to recover what it pays for the purchase of gas plus any costs reasonably associated with this purchase but with no mark up or 'profit'. The price the utility charges you is based on the forecasted gas and transportation costs to NRG, which are periodically reviewed by the OEB and reconciled with actual costs. The gas commodity portion gets adjusted regularly throughout the year as the price of the gas commodity changes.

How will this price change impact you? That will depend on the amount of gas that you use. For a typical residential customer who consumes approximately 2,009 cubic meters of gas annually, this price change will cause your annual heating costs to decrease by approximately \$43 per year. For customers who have arranged to have their gas supplied by a gas marketer/broker, the price may or may not change depending on the terms of the contract the customer has with the gas marketer/broker.

If you have any questions about this rate change, please do not hesitate to contact us at 519-773-5321. We thank you for continuing to make natural gas your fuel of choice.