# **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 October 1, 2016;

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

# **APPLICATION**

- 1. As part of the EB-2016-0190 Decision and Order dated June 23, 2016 the Board approved a PGCVA reference price of \$0.150838 per m<sup>3</sup> and a gas supply charge of \$0.155848 per m<sup>3</sup>, both effective July 1, 2016.
- 2. Based on actual and forecast natural gas prices for the October, 2015 through September, 2016 period the PGCVA balance is projected to be a charge of approximately \$10.76 per residential customer.
- 3. NRG hereby applies to the Board for further orders effective October 1, 2016 as follows:
  - a) an order changing the reference price authorized by the Board's EB-2016-0190 Decision and Order for use in determining the amounts to be recorded in the Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account (Account No. 179-27) by \$0.014093 per m<sup>3</sup> from the Board approved level of \$0.150838 per m<sup>3</sup> to \$0.164931 per m<sup>3</sup>;
  - b) an order changing the rates and other charges from those authorized by the Board's EB-2016-0190 Decision and Order to reflect a projected

\$0.011002 per m<sup>3</sup> change in the gas supply charge from the Board

approved level of \$0.155848 per m<sup>3</sup> to a projected cost of \$0.166850 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-2015-0115.

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 October 1, 2016.

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Dated at London, Ontario, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016.

# NATURAL RESOURCE GAS LIMITED

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# NATURAL RESOURCE GAS LIMITED 1 2 **INTRODUCTION** 3 4 As part of the EB-2016-0190 Decision and Order dated June 23, 2016 the Board 5 approved a Purchased Gas Commodity Variance Account ("PGCVA") reference price of \$0.150838 per m<sup>3</sup> and a gas supply charge of \$0.155848 per m<sup>3</sup>, both effective July 1, 6 7 2016. 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 date February 17, 2011. In EB-2016-0190, the Board 14 approved a GPRA rate of \$0.004647 per m<sup>3</sup>. 15 16 NRG is proposing to adjust the gas supply charge, the GPRA rate and the PGCVA 17 reference price effective October 1, 2016 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 \$10.76 23 per average residential customer for the twelve month period ending September, 2016 24 (Schedule 2). 25 26 The current forecast reflects the forecast for natural gas prices over the relevant period. 27 These gas prices reflect current market conditions, including alternative energy prices, 28 demand for natural gas, the weather outlook and the impact of current storage levels. 29

- 1 The PGCVA balance has been calculated using the most recent information available,
- 2 including actual volumes and costs through July, 2016. The remaining months in the
- 3 twelve-month period ending September, 2016 are calculated using estimated prices based
- 4 on the best information available at the time of filing.

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- 6 Forecast prices have been used for the period October, 2016, through September, 2017
- 7 period, except where actual contracted prices are available.

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- 9 <u>EB-2014-0053/EB-2014-0361/EB-2015-044 Decision and Order</u>
- 10 As per the EB-2014-0053/EB-2014-0361/EB-2015-044 Decision and Order dated
- January 14, 2016, NRG has credited the system gas customers an amount of \$513,897.

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- 13 In the EB-2014-0053/EB-2014-0361/EB-2015-044 Decision and Order, the OEB directed
- NRG to provide sufficient evidence in its next QRAM application to allow the OEB to
- determine that the credit amount was calculated and allocated appropriately.

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- 17 The credit of \$513,897, which is shown in the January, 2016 column on the Ontario
- Delivered Gas Line of the Total Gas Cost section of Schedule 3 represents the difference
- between the amount included based upon the interim order in EB-2014-0053 of \$695,429
- and the final amount approved for recovery from customers of \$181,531 noted in the
- 21 January 14, 2016 decision.

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- 23 As shown in Schedule 3, the total cost of gas purchases in January, 2016, including the
- 24 above noted credit, was a credit to gas costs of \$142,896. This figure has been reflected
- 25 in the calculation of the PGVA balance shown in Schedule 2. The overall impact, taking
- 26 into account the purchases in January, 2016 and interest on the balances in the account, is
- 27 shown in Schedule 2 through the change from a debit in the PGVA at the end of
- December, 2015 of \$253,387.74 to a credit in the account at the end of January, 2016 of
- 29 \$266,367.85.

# 1 Gas Supply Portfolio 2 The gas supply portfolio reflects the current and forecasted mix of delivery points utilized 3 by NRG for system gas purchases. 4 5 NRG's gas supply portfolio includes local production, deliveries of Western Canadian 6 gas at the Alberta border (along with transportation on the TCPL mainline) and purchases 7 at Dawn and Parkway on the Union Gas ("Union") system. NRG also purchases 8 additional gas or sheds excess gas when required. The requirement for these purchases is 9 discussed below. This gas may be Ontario Delivered gas, gas purchased/sold at Dawn or 10 additional deliveries/curtailments at Parkway or at the Alberta border. 11 12 NRG is currently a direct purchase customer on the Union Gas system. Under its 13 bundled transportation contract, NRG is obligated to deliver a fixed amount of gas each 14 day to Union. This amount is determined by Union and is based on the expected annual 15 volume divided by 365 (366 in a leap year). 16 17 NRG is required to balance its total supply with its total demand on the Union Gas 18 system on an annual basis, at the time that the direct purchase contract with Union Gas is 19 renewed. In particular, NRG is required to balance its supply with its demand on the 20 Union system to within +/-4% at the end of the contract year. This may entail NRG 21 purchasing additional gas or shedding excess gas. 22 23 The bundled transportation contract year-end corresponds with the end of NRG's fiscal 24 year (September 30). NRG purchases additional balancing gas or sells gas and/or reduces 25 deliveries such that total demand on the Union system is offset by the supply provided to 26 Union Gas to remain within the contract parameters. 27 28 NRG has informed Union Gas that it intends to return to system gas purchases from 29 Union Gas effective November 1, 2016. As such, the bundled transportation contract will 30 be extended by one month to the end of October, 2016. This is required to accommodate

- 1 NRG's current gas purchase contracts, some of which extend to the end of October, 2016.
- 2 NRG will be required to balance to 0 on the Union system when it becomes a system gas
- 3 customer on the Union system at the beginning of November, 2016.

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- 5 October, 2016 Balancing Gas
- 6 As noted above, when NRG returns to system gas purchases from Union Gas on
- November 1, 2016, it will be required to balance the consumption and deliveries under
- 8 the direct purchase contract that expires at the end of October, 2016.

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- NRG, in conjunction with Union, has forecast that it will require additional gas deliveries
- 11 to Union in October in order to balance the consumption deliveries by the end of the
- direct purchase contract. This has been reflected in the obligated deliveries noted below.

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- Obligated Deliveries
- Obligated deliveries to Union by NRG on behalf of both system gas customers and direct
- purchase customers has been set at 2,625 GJ/day effective October 1, 2015, an increase
- from the previous level of 2,380 GJ/day. The increase reflected historical consumption at
- 18 NRG. This change was the result of discussions with Union Gas. This has been
- increased to 3,406 GJ/day for the month of October, 2016 in order for NRG to balance
- 20 under its direct purchase contract with Union.

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- 22 The direct purchase customer assignment for October, 2016 has been adjusted to 51
- 23 GJ/day to reflect expected consumption from these customers and their current
- 24 purchase/consumption imbalances. This results in deliveries for system gas customers of
- 25 3,355 GJ/day in October, 2016.

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- 27 The composition of these obligated system gas deliveries over this period is as follows.
- In October, 2016 Parkway deliveries are 2,012 GJ/day, at AECO are 515 GJ/day and
- 29 the Dawn deliveries are forecast to be 828 GJ/day.

- 1 Once NRG returns to system gas purchases from Union Gas on November 1, 2016,
- 2 obligated deliveries on behalf of system gas customers will cease.

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- 4 The composition of the gas purchases for direct purchase and system gas customers for
- 5 the October, 2016 through September, 2017 period is shown in the following table. This
- 6 period illustrates the movement to system gas from Union Gas for system gas customers
- of NRG effective November 1, 2016. Please note that these figures do not include the
- 8 direct purchase deliveries associated with a large ethanol plant served by NRG.

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# GJ/s per Day

Delivery Point	Oct.,2016	Nov., 2016 – Sept., 2017
Direct Purchase	51	51
AECO	515	0
Parkway	2,012	0
Dawn	<u>828</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	3,406	51

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- As noted above, the table reflects the elimination of the obligated deliveries at AECO,
- Parkway and Dawn for NRG's system gas customers as of November 1, 2016 when NRG
- returns to system gas deliveries from Union Gas. NRG will continue to ensure that the
- direct purchase customers continue to balance their supply and demand.

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- 17 In addition to the obligated deliveries and system gas from Union Gas described above,
- NRG purchases gas from a local producer in its franchise area.

- 20 The composition of the gas supply portfolio volumes for the October, 2015 through
- 21 September, 2016 period is shown on the top of Schedule 3. This schedule shows the
- 22 monthly volume of gas purchased or forecast to be purchased from local producers,
- 23 obligated deliveries at Parkway, at Dawn and the Alberta border (Western), and
- 24 balancing gas (Ontario Delivered Gas). Similarly, the composition of the gas supply
- portfolio volumes for the October, 2016 through September, 2017 period is shown on the
- top of Schedule 6.

# 1 Gas Costs 2 NRG's actual and forecast gas costs for the October, 2015 through September, 2016 3 period, by source of supply, are shown in Schedule 4 in \$/GJ. These prices are also 4 shown in the middle section of Schedule 3 in \$/m<sup>3</sup>. The conversion factor used is based 5 on the heat values used by Union Gas in their calculation of NRG's Banked Gas Account 6 balances. The conversion factors used are also shown in Schedule 4. All prices shown 7 are actual prices paid in October, 2015 through July, 2016, including the refund to system 8 gas customers of \$513,898 as ordered in EB-2014-0053/EB-2014-0361/EB-2015-044. 9 Prices for the remaining month in this period are based on estimated and contracted 10 prices to be paid in those months. 11 12 Forecast prices for October, 2016 are based on prices averaged over 10 days in the period August 18, 2016 through August 31, 2016. These prices, which have been sourced from 13 14 the Shell Energy North America report entitled 'Daily Energy Market Update', are for 15 October, 2016 purchases, and have been utilized in calculating the prices shown in 16 Schedule 7 in \$/GJ and in the middle section of Schedule 6 in \$/m<sup>3</sup>. The source of the 17 foreign exchange rates used in the calculations is the daily close exchange rates for the 18 10-year lookup from the Bank of Canada that are available on their website at 19 www.bankofcanada.ca/rates/exchange. 20 21 Gas prices for each of the sources of supply are described below. In addition to the 22 above, contracted prices have been used where purchase decisions have been made. 23 24 NRG Corp. Pricing 25 The first source of supply noted in Schedules 4 and 7 is "Local Production (A)" and 26 "Local Production (B)". This refers to gas that is produced in NRG's franchise area and 27 purchased from a related company. 28 29 The Board issued a Decision and Order - Phase 2 for EB-2010-0018 dated May 17, 2012 30 in which the Board indicated that NRG would be permitted to recover from ratepayers a

- 1 maximum annual quantity of 1.0 million cubic metres of natural gas at a rate of \$8.486 2 per mcf (or \$0.3012/m<sup>3</sup>). This price, as set by the Board, can be seen in the line labeled 3 "Local Production (A)" of the price section of Schedule 3. 4 5 The remaining gas purchased from NRG Corp. is shown in the line labeled "Local 6 Production (B)". This gas is priced at the approved Union Gas Ontario landed reference 7 price for each quarter. The October, 2015 through December, 2015 price is \$0.198147, 8 reflecting the Board's Decision and Order in EB-2015-0255 dated September 24, 2015. 9 The January, 2016 through March, 2016 price is \$0.180838, reflecting the Board's 10 Decision and Order in EB-2015-0340 dated December 22, 2015. The April, 2016 11 through June, 2016 price is \$0.169949, reflecting the Board's Decision and Order in EB-12 2016-0040 dated March 23, 2016. The July, 2016 through September, 2016 price is 13 \$0.175382, reflecting the Board's Decision and Order in EB-2016-0181 dated June 23, 14 2016. These prices are shown in Schedule 3. 15 16 The NRG Corp. prices over the October, 2016 through September, 2017 period shown in Schedule 6 reflect the Board approved price of \$0.301200 per m<sup>3</sup> for 1,000,000 m<sup>3</sup> as 17 18 shown on the Local Production (A) line. The remaining gas forecast to be purchased 19 from NRG Corp. is shown on the Local Production (B) line. The price forecast for this 20 gas has been taken from the Union's QRAM application in EB-2016-0247 dated 21 September 9, 2016, where the Ontario landed reference price has been forecast as 22  $$0.189432 \text{ per m}^3$ . 23 24 At the time this application was prepared the Union Gas QRAM price for October 1, 25 2016 rates was not yet approved by the Board. Any differences between the applied for 26 and Board approved Ontario landed reference price for Union will be reflected in NRG's 27 next QRAM application and evidence. 28
- NRG also purchases gas for delivery at Empress, Parkway and Dawn. The pricing of this gas at these delivery points is discussed below.

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# 2 Empress Pricing

- 3 The Empress price in October, 2016 period shown in Schedule 7 (Western Deliveries) is
- 4 based on a combination of actual contracted prices and forecasted prices.

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- 6 The average Empress delivery rate is \$2.870/GJ in October, 2016. Fuel costs of 4% are
- 7 included in these rates.

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- 9 The average Empress delivery price is based on a fixed price contract for October, 2016.
- 10 The following table shows the current mix of volumes and prices over the forecast
- 11 period.

### **Empress Deliveries**

Contracted?	<u>Oc</u>	Oct.					
	GJ/day	\$/GJ					
Yes	374	3.800					
No	<u>141</u>	2.587					
Total	515	3.468					
with Fuel (4%)		3.607					

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The calculations used to forecast the Empress delivery price are shown in the following table. The only calculation used in the table is the calculation of the 10 day average. The prices used are taken from the Daily Energy Market Update as the price at Empress, AB in Cdn\$/GJ over the period August 18 to August 31, 2016.

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### **Empress Delivery Price Forecast**

### October - 2016

18-Aug-16	2.43
19-Aug-16	2.36
22-Aug-16	2.46
23-Aug-16	2.59
24-Aug-16	2.66
25-Aug-16	2.70
26-Aug-16	2.70
29-Aug-16	2.67

10 Day Average	2.587
31-Aug-16 _	2.69
30-Aug-16	2.61

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# Parkway Pricing

4 The Parkway price in October, 2016 period shown in Schedule 7 is based on a

5 combination of actual contracted prices and forecasted prices. The average Parkway

6 delivery rate forecast is \$4.122/GJ in October, 2016.

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8 The average Parkway delivery price includes a mix of actual contracted prices and

9 forecasted prices for October, 2016. The following table shows the current mix of

volumes and prices for October, 2016.

### Parkway Deliveries

Contracted?	<u>Oc</u>	<u>t.</u>
	GJ/day	\$/GJ
Yes	970	4.710
Yes	31	4.820
No	<u>1,011</u>	3.537
Total	2,012	4.122

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12 The actual contract prices include two contracts. The actual contracted prices include

970 GJ/day at \$4.71/GJ. The price for the 31 GJ/day reflects a transfer of deliveries from

Empress to Parkway. This gas has been purchased for Empress delivery at \$3.80/GJ (see

previous section). This has been increased by a locked in price to move the gas deliveries

from Empress to Parkway of \$1.02/GJ, to arrive at the forecasted price of \$4.82/GJ.

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The price shown for the 1,011 GJ/day that has not been contracted for in October, 2016 is

based on the forecast methodology discussed below.

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21 Historically, the calculations used to forecast the Parkway delivery prices were calculated

as follows. The prices used were shown in the Daily Energy Market Report as prices at

Henry Hub along with a Niagara, ON basis. These two prices are added together to

1 arrive at a proxy for the Parkway price. These prices from the Market Report were in 2 US\$/MMBtu and as a result need to be converted to Cdn\$/GJ. This was accomplished 3 through the use of a conversion factor of 1.054615 to convert MMBtu to GJ and through 4 the use of the foreign exchange rate. The formula used was (Henry Hub Price + Niagara 5 Basis) / 1.054615 x Foreign Exchange Rate. 6 7 As noted in EB-2015-0191, as of the middle of February, 2015 the Daily Energy Market 8 Report no longer provided a Niagara, ON basis. As a result NRG is not able to provide a 9 forecast of the Parkway delivery price based on the methodology described above. As 10 noted in previous QRAM applications, NRG indicated that it would propose a 11 methodology to forecast this price based on information available to it at that time. 12 13 As it did in EB-2015-0345 and EB-2016-0049, NRG has forecast the Parkway prices 14 based on the Dawn prices in October, 2016 period, based on the most recent comparable 15 information available to NRG. NRG has forecast the Parkway price to be equal to the 16 Dawn price, less \$0.01/GJ. The derivation of the Dawn forecast prices is detailed in the 17 section below. 18 19 In particular, NRG recently purchased gas for August delivery at both Dawn and 20 Parkway. The Dawn price was \$3.39/GJ and the Parkway price was \$3.38/GJ. Based on 21 this differential, NRG has forecast the Parkway price to be \$0.01/GJ lower than the Dawn 22 delivery price. 23 24 Dawn Pricing 25 The Dawn price for October, 2016 period shown in Schedule 7 is based on a combination 26 of actual contracted prices and forecasted prices. The average Dawn delivery rate is 27 \$3.969/GJ in October, 2016.

1 The average Dawn delivery price includes a mix of fixed price contracts and a forecast

2 price for the remainder of the purchases. The following table shows the current mix of

volumes and prices over the forecast period.

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# Dawn Deliveries

Contracted?	Oct.						
	GJ/day	\$/GJ					
Yes	261	4.800					
Yes	19	4.745					
No	<u>548</u>	<u>3.547</u>					
Total	828	3.969					

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6 The price for the 261 GJ/day in October, 2016 reflects a transfer of deliveries from

7 Parkway to Dawn. This gas has been purchased for Parkway delivery at \$4.71/GJ. This

8 has been increased by a locked in price to move the gas deliveries from Parkway to Dawn

9 of \$0.09/GJ, to arrive at the forecasted price of \$4.80/GJ.

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The price for the 19 GJ/day in October, 2016 also reflects a transfer of deliveries from

12 Parkway to Dawn. This gas has also been purchased for Parkway delivery at \$4.71/GJ.

This has been increased by a locked in price to move the gas deliveries from Parkway to

Dawn of \$0.035/GJ, to arrive at the forecasted price of \$4.745/GJ.

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The prices shown for the 548 GJ/day that has not been contracted for in October, 2016

period is based on the average price forecasts from the August 18, 2016 through August

18 31, 2016 Daily Energy Market Updates for October, 2016.

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The calculations used to forecast the Dawn purchase price are shown in the following

21 table. The relevant prices used are shown in the Daily Energy Market Update as prices at

Henry Hub along with a Dawn, ON basis. These two prices are added together to arrive

at a proxy for the Dawn price. These prices from the Market Update are in US\$/MMBtu

24 and as a result need to be converted to Cdn\$/GJ. This is accomplished through the use of

a conversion factor of 1.054615 to convert MMBtu to GJ and through the use of the

- 1 foreign exchange rate. The formula used is (Henry Hub Price + Dawn Basis) / 1.054615
- 2 x Foreign Exchange Rate.

### **Dawn Delivery Price Forecast**

	Henry Hub (US\$/MMBtu)	Dawn Basis	MMBtu -GJ	F/X	\$/GJ (Cdn)
October-2016					
18-Aug-16	2.710	0.06	1.054615	1.2767	3.35
19-Aug-16	2.620	0.07	1.054615	1.2857	3.28
22-Aug-16	2.700	0.07	1.054615	1.2950	3.40
23-Aug-16	2.790	0.06	1.054615	1.2910	3.49
24-Aug-16	2.840	0.07	1.054615	1.2930	3.57
25-Aug-16	2.890	0.08	1.054615	1.2926	3.64
26-Aug-16	2.910	0.07	1.054615	1.3000	3.67
29-Aug-16	2.900	0.08	1.054615	1.3022	3.68
30-Aug-16	2.830	0.10	1.054615	1.3096	3.64
31-Aug-16	2.890	0.12	1.054615	1.3116	3.74
10 Day Average					3.547

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# Union Gas System Gas Pricing

As noted earlier, NRG will be returning to system gas purchases on the Union Gas system in November, 2016.

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The price forecast for this gas has been taken from the Union's QRAM application in EB-2016-0247 dated September 9, 2016, where the gas supply commodity charge has been forecast as \$0.150958 per m<sup>3</sup> and is shown in the Union Gas line on Schedules 6 and 7.

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At the time this application was prepared the Union gas supply commodity charge for October 1, 2016 rates was not yet approved by the Board. Any differences between the applied for and Board approved gas supply commodity charge Union will be reflected in NRG's next QRAM application and evidence.

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# 1 Other Forecast Assumptions

- 2 A number of other assumptions have been used to calculate the projected balance in the
- 3 PGCVA. As shown on Schedules 4 and 7, the fuel ratio for Western deliveries has been
- 4 forecast at 4.0% in October, 2016. This ratio has been reflected in the forecast prices
- 5 shown in the schedules for Western deliveries. It is not required beyond October, 2016
- 6 when NRG returns to system gas on the Union Gas system.

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- 8 TCPL tolls have been forecast at a rate of \$1.9485/GJ in October, 2016. This rate reflects
- 9 the tolls currently being charged as a result of the TCPL settlement agreement in RH-
- 10 001-2014. It is not required beyond October, 2016 when NRG returns to system gas on
- 11 the Union Gas system.

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- 13 The heat value used to convert GJ to m<sup>3</sup> is 38.55 GJ/10<sup>3</sup> m<sup>3</sup> for October, 2016. This is
- 14 consistent with the figure used by Union Gas in their calculation of NRG's Banked Gas
- 15 Account balances. For the period beyond October, 2016 NRG has continued to use the
- 16 38.55 conversion factor to calculate the cost in \$/GJ.

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# 18 PGCVA Balance

- 19 The projected September, 2016 balance in the PGCVA is a debit of \$135,974.22
- including a debit of \$68,594.99 in accumulated interest, based on the Board's prescribed
- 21 interest rate. This estimate is based on actual and forecasted purchases and the balance
- 22 brought forward from September, 2015. The PGCVA debit amounts to a charge of
- 23 approximately \$10.76 for a typical residential customer consuming approximately
- 24 1,770.5 m<sup>3</sup> per year. These figures are shown on Schedule 2.

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# Proposed PGCVA Rate Changes

- 27 NRG proposes to adjust the reference price effective October 1, 2016 based on the
- projected accumulated balance in the PGCVA as of the end of September, 2016 and the
- 29 forecasted cost of gas over the 12 month period beginning October, 2016 and ending

- 1 September, 2017. The reference price is set such that the projected PGCVA balance at
- 2 the end of September, 2017 is close to zero.

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

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- 8 NRG proposes to change the reference price by \$0.014093 per m<sup>3</sup> effective October 1,
- 9 2016, from \$0.150838 per m<sup>3</sup> to \$0.164931 per m<sup>3</sup>. The derivation of this rate is shown
- in Schedule 5. This is the reference price required to bring the PGCVA balance close to
- zero on a twelve month forecast basis. This change will also be reflected in the gas
- 12 commodity charge.

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# GAS PURCHASE REBALANCING ACCOUNT

- 15 The impact on the GPRA of the proposed October 1, 2016 PGCVA reference price
- 16 change from \$0.150838 per m<sup>3</sup> to \$0.164931 per m<sup>3</sup> is a credit of \$68,244.34, as shown
- on Schedule 8. This figure is shown in column (J) of Schedule 8 on the September, 2016
- 18 line. It is calculated as the change in the PGCVA reference price between September and
- 19 October, multiplied by the cumulative inventory balance at the end of September. This
- 20 cumulative inventory balance is the sum of the actual monthly inventory balances for
- 21 July, 2016 and forecasts for the subsequent months. These forecasts will be replaced
- 22 with actual balances for these months in subsequent QRAM applications as this
- 23 information becomes available. As well, the monthly inventory balances are based on a
- 24 deemed level of unaccounted for gas ("UFG") of the total throughput volume, as shown
- 25 in column (E) of Schedule 8. The 0.0% is the Board approved level of UFG from EB-
- 26 2010-0018.

- NRG proposes to adjust the gas commodity charge effective October 1, 2016 based on
- 29 the projected accumulated balance in the GPRA. The adjustment to the gas commodity
- 30 charge will be set such that the projected GPRA balance at the end of September, 2017

1 will be close to zero. The rate required to achieve this is shown in column (K) on

2 Schedule 8. Column (P) shows the reduction of the inventory revaluation balance based

on this rate of \$0.001556 per m<sup>3</sup> over the October, 2016 through September, 2017 period.

NRG's proposal will clear the GPRA balance on a prospective basis, eliminating the need for retroactive adjustments. This is consistent with NRG's proposal for the continued

prospective clearance of the PGCVA. This change will also be reflected in the gas

commodity charge.

# **GAS COMMODITY CHARGE**

The system gas supply cost of \$0.000363 per m³ will be maintained at the level approved in EB-2010-0018. This figure represents the incremental costs over and above the commodity and transportation costs that form the PGCVA reference price to the gas supply function. These incremental costs are portions of 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.

The change in the gas commodity charge proposed for October 1, 2016 is summarized below. The change in the gas commodity charge reflects both the change in the PGCVA reference price and the change in the recovery of the inventory revaluation amount in the GPRA. The change in the gas commodity charge is as follows:

24		EB-2016-0190	Proposed	
25		July 1, 2016	Oct. 1, 2016	Difference
26	PGCVA Reference Price	\$0.150838	\$0.164931	\$0.014093
27	GPRA Recovery	\$0.004647	\$0.001556	\$(0.003091)
28	System Gas Supply Cost	\$0.000363	\$0.000363	\$0.000000
29	Gas Commodity Charge	\$0.155848	\$0.166850	\$0.011002

# **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 \$0.150838 by \$0.014093 to
- 4 \$0.164931 per m<sup>3</sup> effective October 1, 2016. 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 \$0.155848 to \$0.166850 per m<sup>3</sup>
- 8 effective October 1, 2016. This change reflects the change in the PGCVA reference
- 9 price, 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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- 16 Schedule 9 provides a bill comparison showing the impact of the proposed changes on a
- 17 year over year basis for the appropriate quarter as well as the annual bill impact of the
- 18 most recent quarterly change for an average residential customer. The annual bill impact
- 19 related to the change in the commodity charges on a customer consuming approximately
- 20  $2,009 \text{ m}^3$  is an increase of \$22.11.

### PURCHASED GAS COMMDOITY VARIANCE ACCOUNT - PROJECTED BALANCE

### HISTORICAL TWELVE MONTH PERIOD - OCTOBER, 2015 TO SEPTEMBER, 2016

Act/Fcst	<u>Month</u>	Purchase Cost ( <u>\$'s)</u>	<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	October	367,660	1,974,108	0.186241	0.192687	0.006446	12,725.10	-207,837.33	-202.18	-69,376.06	12,522.92	-277,213.39	90.2	1.10%
Actual	November	379,997	1,985,610	0.191376	0.192687	0.001311	2,603.13	-205,234.20	-190.52	-69,566.58	2,412.61	-274,800.78	153.2	1.10%
Actual	December	381,641	2,092,731	0.182365	0.192687	0.010322	21,601.17	-183,633.03	-188.13	-69,754.71	21,413.04	-253,387.74	238.7	1.10%
Actual	January	(142,896)	2,077,452	(0.068784)	0.181486	0.250270	519,923.92	336,290.89	-168.33	-69,923.04	519,755.59	266,367.85	313.8	1.10%
Actual	February	361,780	1,942,696	0.186226	0.181486	(0.004740)	-9,208.38	327,082.51	308.27	-69,614.77	-8,900.11	257,467.74	289.0	1.10%
Actual	March	299,046	1,459,826	0.204850	0.181486	(0.023364)	-34,107.37	292,975.14	299.83	-69,314.94	-33,807.54	223,660.20	243.9	1.10%
Actual	April	289,405	1,416,585	0.204298	0.145120	(0.059178)	-83,830.64	209,144.50	268.56	-69,046.38	-83,562.08	140,098.12	178.4	1.10%
Actual	May	276,675	1,399,412	0.197708	0.145120	(0.052588)	-73,592.29	135,552.21	191.72	-68,854.66	-73,400.57	66,697.55	87.8	1.10%
Actual	June	304,169	1,790,198	0.169908	0.145120	(0.024788)	-44,375.43	91,176.78	124.26	-68,730.40	-44,251.17	22,446.38	41.6	1.10%
Actual	July	342,850	1,997,735	0.171619	0.150838	(0.020781)	-41,514.93	49,661.85	83.58	-68,646.82	-41,431.35	-18,984.97	32.6	1.10%
Forecast	August	345,780	2,008,768	0.172135	0.150838	(0.021297)	-42,780.73	6,881.12	45.52	-68,601.30	-42,735.21	-61,720.18	42.8	1.10%
Forecast	September	410,564	2,229,572	0.184145	0.150838	(0.033307)	<u>-74,260.35</u>	<u>-67,379.23</u>	<u>6.31</u>	<u>-68,594.99</u>	<u>-74,254.04</u>	-135,974.22	<u>58.5</u>	1.10%
	Total	3,616,671	22,374,692	0.161641			153,183.20	-67,379.23	578.89	-68,594.99	153,762.09	-135,974.22	1,770.5	

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

(\$0.006077) <u>1,770.5</u> M\*3

\$10.76 Customer Charge

(1) Includes balance of -220,562.43 as of September, 2015
 (2) Includes balance of -69,173.88 as of September, 2015

# COMPOSITION AND COST OF GAS BY SUPPLY SOURCE

# HISTORICAL TWELVE MONTH PERIOD - OCTOBER, 2015 TO SEPTEMBER, 2016

Volumes (m3)	<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>Apr-16</u>	<u>May-16</u>	<u>Jun-16</u>	<u>Jul-16</u>	<u>Aug-16</u>	<u>Sep-16</u>	<u>Total</u>
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Dawn Delivery Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Ontario Delivered Gas	84,931 68,087 554,969 975,952 290,169 <u>0</u>	82,192 71,522 603,232 942,359 286,306 <u>0</u>	84,931 73,227 658,375 978,816 297,382 <u>0</u>	84,931 64,540 656,132 975,481 296,369 <u>0</u>	138,833 0 613,892 912,682 277,289 <u>0</u>	145,691 0 222,331 794,833 296,971 <u>0</u>	142,194 0 215,607 770,795 287,989 <u>0</u>	71,066 0 224,735 803,429 300,182 <u>0</u>	0 0 499,614 953,035 337,549 <u>0</u>	0 0 662,180 986,871 348,684 <u>0</u>	0 0 665,837 992,322 350,610 <u>0</u>	165,231 34,769 644,358 960,311 424,903 <u>0</u>	1,000,000 312,144 6,221,260 11,046,885 3,794,402 <u>0</u>
Total	1,974,108	1,985,610	2,092,731	2,077,452	1,942,696	1,459,826	1,416,585	1,399,412	1,790,198	1,997,735	2,008,768	2,229,572	22,374,692
Price (\$/m3)													
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Dawn Delivery Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Ontario Delivered Gas	0.301200 0.198147 0.173094 0.172139 0.146564 0.000000	0.301200 0.198147 0.177011 0.179197 0.152528 0.000000	0.301200 0.198147 0.154576 0.175651 0.152575 0.000000	0.301200 0.180838 0.146302 0.174059 0.153293 0.000000	0.301200 0.180838 0.155600 0.176444 0.152446 0.000000	0.301200 0.180838 0.187251 0.184016 0.150450 0.000000	0.301200 0.169949 0.186862 0.183633 0.148900 0.000000	0.301200 0.169949 0.185247 0.182047 0.149196 0.000000	0.301200 0.169949 0.143489 0.167777 0.139523 0.000000	0.301200 0.175382 0.147274 0.172360 0.140227 0.000000	0.301200 0.175382 0.149034 0.172010 0.141247 0.000000	0.301200 0.175382 0.153352 0.173321 0.135388 0.000000	
Total Gas Cost (\$)													
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Dawn Delivery Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Ontario Delivered Gas TCPL Transportation	25,581 13,491 96,062 168,000 42,528 0 21,998	24,756 14,172 106,779 168,868 43,670 0 21,753	25,581 14,510 101,769 171,930 45,373 0 22,478	25,581 11,671 95,993 169,791 45,431 (513,898) 22,534	41,817 0 95,521 161,038 42,272 0 21,133	43,882 0 41,632 146,262 44,679 0 22,591	42,829 0 40,289 141,544 42,881 0 21,862	21,405 0 41,632 146,262 44,786 0 22,591	0 0 71,689 159,898 47,096 0 25,486	0 97,522 170,097 48,895 0 26,336	0 99,232 170,689 49,523 0 26,336	49,768 6,098 98,814 166,442 57,527 0 31,916	301,200 59,942 986,933 1,940,818 554,661 (513,898) 287,016
Total	367,660	379,997	381,641	-142,896	361,780	299,046	289,405	276,675	304,169	342,850	345,780	410,564	3,616,671

# **ACTUAL AND FORECAST GAS PRICES**

# HISTORICAL TWELVE MONTH PERIOD - OCTOBER, 2015 TO SEPTEMBER, 2016

		Oct-15	<u>Nov-15</u>	<u>Dec-15</u>	<u>Jan-16</u>	<u>Feb-16</u>	<u>Mar-16</u>	<u>Apr-16</u>	<u>May-16</u>	<u>Jun-16</u>	<u>Jul-16</u>	<u>Aug-16</u>	<u>Sep-16</u>
Local Production Local Production (A	A) (\$/GJ)	7.703	7.686	7.726	7.699	7.700	7.715	7.731	7.798	7.773	7.770	7.813	7.813
Local Production (E	B) (\$/GJ)	5.068	5.056	5.082	4.623	4.623	4.632	4.362	4.400	4.386	4.524	4.549	4.549
<u>Dawn</u>	(\$/GJ)	4.427	4.517	3.965	3.740	3.978	4.796	4.796	4.796	3.703	3.799	3.866	3.978
<u>Parkway</u>	(\$/GJ)	4.402	4.573	4.505	4.449	4.511	4.713	4.713	4.713	4.330	4.447	4.462	4.496
Western Deliveries	(\$/GJ)	3.748	3.892	3.913	3.919	3.897	3.854	3.822	3.863	3.601	3.618	3.664	3.512
Fuel Ratio	(%)	3.83%	3.74%	5.08%	5.08%	5.61%	4.01%	1.87%	3.46%	4.13%	4.13%	4.00%	4.00%
TCPL Transportation TCPL Toll	(\$/GJ)	1.9388	1.9388	1.9388	1.9436	1.9485	1.9485	1.9485	1.9485	1.9485	1.9485	1.9485	1.9485
GJ/day (TCPL)		366	374	374	374	374	374	374	374	436	436	436	546
Delivery Committm	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)		2,297	2,393	2,433	2,433	2,433	1,655	1,655	1,655	2,312	2,498	2,498	2,608
Ontario Delivered Ga	<u>ıs</u> (\$/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
Heat Value	(GJ/103m3)	39.10	39.19	38.99	39.12	39.11	39.04	38.96	38.62	38.75	38.76	38.55	38.55

### PURCHASED GAS COMMODITY VARIANCE ACCOUNT

# PROJECTED TWELVE MONTH FORWARD PERIOD - OCTOBER, 2016 TO SEPTEMBER, 2017 (WITH CHANGE IN REFERENCE PRICE)

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<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 (\$'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>
October	495,046	2,897,925	0.170828	0.164931	(0.005897)	-17,089.06	-84,468.29	-61.76	-68,656.75	-17,150.82	-153,125.04	118.7	1.10%
November	652,934	4,213,441	0.154965	0.164931	0.009966	41,991.15	-42,477.14	-77.43	-68,734.18	41,913.72	-111,211.32	202.7	1.10%
December	552,343	3,545,062	0.155806	0.164931	0.009125	32,348.69	-10,128.45	-38.94	-68,773.12	32,309.75	-78,901.57	321.8	1.10%
January	632,981	4,079,235	0.155171	0.164931	0.009760	39,813.33	29,684.88	-9.28	-68,782.40	39,804.05	-39,097.52	355.2	1.10%
February	627,728	4,050,527	0.154974	0.164931	0.009957	40,331.10	70,015.98	27.21	-68,755.19	40,358.31	1,260.79	293.2	1.10%
March	379,335	2,398,995	0.158122	0.164931	0.006809	16,334.76	86,350.74	64.18	-68,691.01	16,398.94	17,659.73	246.2	1.10%
April	284,804	1,774,815	0.160470	0.164931	0.004461	7,917.45	94,268.19	79.15	-68,611.86	7,996.60	25,656.33	186.6	1.10%
May	133,766	772,255	0.173214	0.164931	(0.008283)	-6,396.59	87,871.60	86.41	-68,525.45	-6,310.18	19,346.15	89.7	1.10%
June	97,530	534,247	0.182556	0.164931	(0.017625)	-9,416.10	78,455.50	80.55	-68,444.90	-9,335.55	10,010.60	53.1	1.10%
July	85,991	455,777	0.188668	0.164931	(0.023737)	-10,818.78	67,636.72	71.92	-68,372.98	-10,746.86	-736.26	40.9	1.10%
August	170,868	1,018,033	0.167841	0.164931	(0.002910)	-2,962.48	64,674.24	62.00	-68,310.98	-2,900.48	-3,636.74	42.8	1.10%
September	237,953	1,464,460	0.162485	0.164931	0.002446	3,582.07	68,256.31	<u>59.28</u>	<u>-68,251.70</u>	<u>3,641.35</u>	<u>4.61</u>	<u>58.5</u>	1.10%
Total	4,351,277	27,204,772	0.159945			135,635.54	68,256.31	343.29	-68,251.70	135,978.83	4.61	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 Rebate

(1) Includes Sept., 2016 year-to-date balance of (\$67,379.23) (See Schedule 2) (2) Includes Sept., 2016 year-to-date balance of (\$68,594.99) (See Schedule 2)

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

# PROJECTED TWELVE MONTH FORWARD PERIOD - OCTOBER, 2016 TO SEPTEMBER, 2017

Volumes (m3)	<u>Oct-16</u>	<u>Nov-16</u>	<u>Dec-16</u>	<u>Jan-17</u>	<u>Feb-17</u>	<u>Mar-17</u>	<u>Apr-17</u>	<u>May-17</u>	<u>Jun-17</u>	<u>Jul-17</u>	<u>Aug-17</u>	<u>Sep-17</u>	<u>Total</u>
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Dawn Delivery Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Union Gas	84,932 115,068 665,837 1,617,951 414,137 <u>0</u>	82,192 117,808 0 0 0 4,013,441	84,932 115,068 0 0 0 3,345,062	84,932 115,068 0 0 0 3,879,235	76,708 123,292 0 0 0 3,850,527	84,932 115,068 0 0 0 2,198,995	82,192 117,808 0 0 0 1,574,815	84,932 115,068 0 0 0 572,255	82,192 117,808 0 0 0 334,247	84,932 115,068 0 0 0 255,777	84,932 115,068 0 0 0 818,033	82,192 117,808 0 0 0 1,264,460	1,000,000 1,400,000 665,837 1,617,951 414,137 22,106,847
Total	2,897,925	4,213,441	3,545,062	4,079,235	4,050,527	2,398,995	1,774,815	772,255	534,247	455,777	1,018,033	1,464,460	27,204,772
Price (\$/m3)													
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Dawn Delivery Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Union Gas	0.301200 0.189432 0.153005 0.158903 0.139050 0.000000	0.301200 0.189432 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000 0.150958											
Total Gas Cost (\$)													
Local Production (A) Local Production (B) Dawn Delivery Parkway Delivery Western Delivery Union Gas TCPL Transportation	25,582 21,798 101,876 257,097 57,586 0 31,108	24,756 22,317 0 0 0 605,861 <u>0</u>	25,582 21,798 0 0 0 504,964	25,582 21,798 0 0 0 585,602 <u>0</u>	23,104 23,355 0 0 0 581,268	25,582 21,798 0 0 0 331,956	24,756 22,317 0 0 0 237,731	25,582 21,798 0 0 0 86,386	24,756 22,317 0 0 0 50,457 <u>0</u>	25,582 21,798 0 0 0 38,612 <u>0</u>	25,582 21,798 0 0 0 123,489	24,756 22,317 0 0 0 190,880 <u>0</u>	301,200 265,205 101,876 257,097 57,586 3,337,205 31,108
Total	495,046	652,934	552,343	632,981	627,728	379,335	284,804	133,766	97,530	85,991	170,868	237,953	4,351,277

# **FORECAST GAS PRICES**

# PROJECTED TWELVE MONTH FORWARD PERIOD - OCTOBER, 2016 TO SEPTEMBER, 2017

		Oct-16	<u>Nov-16</u>	<u>Dec-16</u>	<u>Jan-17</u>	Feb-17	<u>Mar-17</u>	<u>Apr-17</u>	<u>May-17</u>	<u>Jun-17</u>	<u>Jul-17</u>	<u>Aug-17</u>	Sep-17
Local Production Local Production (A	A) (\$/GJ)	7.813	7.813	7.813	7.813	7.813	7.813	7.813	7.813	7.813	7.813	7.813	7.813
Local Production (E	3) (\$/GJ)	4.914	4.914	4.914	4.914	4.914	4.914	4.914	4.914	4.914	4.914	4.914	4.914
<u>Dawn</u>	(\$/GJ)	3.969	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
<u>Parkway</u>	(\$/GJ)	4.122	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Western Deliveries	(\$/GJ)	3.607	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Fuel Ratio	(%)	4.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
TCPL Transportation TCPL Toll	(\$/GJ)	1.9485	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
GJ/day (TCPL)		515	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delivery Committm	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)		3,355	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>Union Gas</u>	(\$/GJ)	0.000	3.916	3.916	3.916	3.916	3.916	3.916	3.916	3.916	3.916	3.916	3.916
Heat Value	(GJ/103m3)	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55	38.55

### GAS PURCHASE REBALANCING ACCOUNT

### OCTOBER, 2015 THROUGH SEPTEMBER, 2017

<u>Month</u>	Purchase Volume ( <u>M*3)</u> A	Throughput Volume ( <u>M*3)</u> B	Direct Purchase Volume ( <u>M*3)</u> C	System Sales Volume (M*3) D=B-C	Deemed U.F.G. ( <u>M*3)</u> E	System Sales + U.F.G. (M*3) F=D+E	Monthly Inventory Balance (M*3) G=A-F	Cumulative Inventory ( <u>M*3)</u> H (1)	Reference Price (\$/M*3) I	Inventory Revaluation ( <u>\$'s)</u> 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>
October	1,974,108	5,060,019	3,068,720	1,991,299	0	1,991,299	-17,191	4,795,345	0.192687	0.00	0.007028	13,994.85	-172,197.07	-170.68	-1,614.66	-173,811.73	1.10%
November	1,985,610	5,578,844	3,272,950	2,305,894	0	2,305,894	-320,284	4,475,061	0.192687	0.00	0.007028	16,205.82	-155,991.25	-157.85	-1,772.51	-157,763.76	1.10%
December	2,092,731	6,292,126	3,720,573	2,571,553	0	2,571,553	-478,822	3,996,239	0.192687	-44,761.87	0.007028	18,072.87	-182,680.25	-142.99	-1,915.50	-184,595.75	1.10%
January	2,077,452	7,116,213	3,699,701	3,416,512	0	3,416,512	-1,339,060	2,657,179	0.181486	0.00	0.005152	17,601.87	-165,078.38	-167.46	-2,082.96	-167,161.34	1.10%
February	1,942,696	6,347,627	3,185,303	3,162,324	0	3,162,324	-1,219,628	1,437,550	0.181486	0.00	0.005152	16,292.29	-148,786.09	-151.32	-2,234.28	-151,020.37	1.10%
March	1,459,826	6,204,785	3,533,303	2,671,482	0	2,671,482	-1,211,656	225,894	0.181486	-8,214.86	0.005152	13,763.48	-143,237.47	-136.39	-2,370.67	-145,608.14	1.10%
April	1,416,585	5,377,710	3,360,630	2,017,080	0	2,017,080	-600,495	-374,601	0.145120	0.00	0.004746	9,573.06	-133,664.41	-131.30	-2,501.97	-136,166.38	1.10%
May	1,399,412	4,488,764	3,470,788	1,017,976	0	1,017,976	381,436	6,835	0.145120	0.00	0.004746	4,831.31	-128,833.10	-122.53	-2,624.50	-131,457.60	1.10%
June	1,790,198	3,845,242	3,338,004	507,238	0	507,238	1,282,960	1,289,795	0.145120	7,375.05	0.004746	2,407.35	-119,050.70	-118.10	-2,742.60	-121,793.30	1.10%
July	1,997,735	3,861,385	3,460,436	400,949	0	400,949	1,596,786	2,886,581	0.150838	0.00	0.004647	1,863.21	-117,187.49	-109.13	-2,851.73	-120,039.22	1.10%
August	2,008,768	3,781,486	2,963,453	818,033	0	818,033	1,190,735	4,077,316	0.150838	0.00	0.004647	3,801.40	-113,386.09	-107.42	-2,959.15	-116,345.24	1.10%
September	2,229,572	4,581,850	3,117,390	1,464,460	0	1,464,460	765,112	4,842,428	0.150838	68,244.34	0.004647	6,805.35	-38,336.41	-103.94	-3,063.09	-41,399.50	1.10%
October	2,897,925	5,347,058	2,953,074	2,393,984	0	2,393,984	503,941	5,346,369	0.164931	0.00	0.001556	3,725.04	-34,611.37	-35.14	-3,098.23	-37,709.60	1.10%
November	4,213,441	8,031,699	3,818,258	4,213,441	0	4,213,441	0	5,346,369	0.164931	0.00	0.001556	6,556.11	-28,055.26	-31.73	-3,129.96	-31,185.22	1.10%
December	3,545,062	7,547,799	4,002,737	3,545,062	0	3,545,062	0	5,346,369	0.164931	0.00	0.001556	5,516.12	-22,539.14	-25.72	-3,155.68	-25,694.82	1.10%
January	4,079,235	8,145,577	4,066,342	4,079,235	0	4,079,235	0	5,346,369	0.164931	0.00	0.001556	6,347.29	-16,191.85	-20.66	-3,176.34	-19,368.19	1.10%
February	4,050,527	7,698,962	3,648,435	4,050,527	0	4,050,527	0	5,346,369	0.164931	0.00	0.001556	6,302.62	-9,889.23	-14.84	-3,191.18	-13,080.41	1.10%
March	2,398,995	6,317,069	3,918,074	2,398,995	0	2,398,995	0	5,346,369	0.164931	0.00	0.001556	3,732.84	-6,156.39	-9.07	-3,200.25	-9,356.64	1.10%
April	1,774,815	4,949,806	3,174,991	1,774,815	0	1,774,815	0	5,346,369	0.164931	0.00	0.001556	2,761.61	-3,394.78	-5.64	-3,205.89	-6,600.67	1.10%
May	772,255	4,337,042	3,564,787	772,255	0	772,255	0	5,346,369	0.164931	0.00	0.001556	1,201.63	-2,193.15	-3.11	-3,209.00	-5,402.15	1.10%
June	534,247	3,889,961	3,355,714	534,247	0	534,247	0	5,346,369	0.164931	0.00	0.001556	831.29	-1,361.86	-2.01	-3,211.01	-4,572.87	1.10%
July	455,777	3,370,949	2,915,172	455,777	0	455,777	0	5,346,369	0.164931	0.00	0.001556	709.19	-652.67	-1.25	-3,212.26	-3,864.93	1.10%
August	1,018,033	3,981,486	2,963,453	1,018,033	0	1,018,033	0	5,346,369	0.164931	0.00	0.001556	1,584.06	931.39	-0.60	-3,212.86	-2,281.47	1.10%
September	1,464,460	4,581,850	3,117,390	1,464,460	0	1,464,460	0	5,346,369	0.164931	0.00	0.001556	2,278.70	3,210.09	0.85	-3,212.01	-1.92	1.10%

Includes balance of Includes balance of 4,812,536 as of Sept., 2015 -186,191.92 as of Sept., 2015

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

-1,443.98 as of Sept., 2015

# **RESIDENTIAL BILL COMPARISONS**

# **QUARTERLY BILL IMPACT**

	Quarter Starting 01-Oct-15 EB-2015-0261	Quarter Starting 01-Oct-16 EB-2016-0266	\$ <u>Change</u>	Percent <u>Change</u>
Average Residential Consumption for Quarter	643.2	643.2		
Monthly Charges Delivery Charges Total Commodity Charges	\$40.50 \$104.40 <u>\$128.69</u>	\$40.50 \$104.40 <u>\$107.32</u>	\$0.00 \$0.00 (\$21.37)	0.0% 0.0% <u>-16.6%</u>
Total Customer Charges	\$273.59	\$252.22	(\$21.37)	-7.8%

# **ANNUAL BILL IMPACT**

	01-Jul-16 <u>EB-2016-0190</u>	01-Oct-16 EB-2016-0266	\$ <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	\$326.15	\$326.15	\$0.00	0.0%
Total Commodity Charges	<u>\$313.16</u>	<u>\$335.27</u>	<u>\$22.11</u>	<u>7.1%</u>
Total Customer Charges	\$801.31	\$823.42	\$22.11	2.8%

# **RATES USED**

	01-Oct-15	01-Jul-16	01-Oct-16
	EB-2015-0261	EB-2016-0190	EB-2016-0266
Monthly charge	13.50	13.50	13.50
Delivery Charge	0.162312	0.162312	0.162312
Total Commodity Charge	0.200078	0.155848	0.166850

# APPENDIX "A" TO DECISION AND INTERIM ORDER BOARD FILE No. EB-2016-0266 DATED SEPTEMBER XX, 2016

# **RATE 1 - General Service Rate**

### **Rate Availability**

The entire service area of the Company.

### **Eligibility**

All customers.

### Rate

a)	Monthly Fixed Charge	\$13.50
	Rate Rider for Shared Tax Changes - effective until September 30, 2016	\$0.13

b) Delivery Charge First 1,000 m<sup>3</sup> pe

First  $1,000 \text{ m}^3$  per month 16.2312 cents per m<sup>3</sup> All over  $1,000 \text{ m}^3$  per month 10.9099 cents per m<sup>3</sup>

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: October 01, 2016

Implementation: All bills rendered on or after October 01, 2016

### **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

Rate Rider for Shared Tax Changes - effective until September 30, 2016 \$0.24

b) Delivery Charge

First 1,000 m³ per month

Next 24,000 m³ per month

All over 25,000 m³ per month

15.8212 cents per m³

9.4826 cents per m³

15.6960 cents per m³

15.2899 cents per m³

15.2899 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: October 01, 2016

Implementation: All bills rendered on or after October 01, 2016

# **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.

Rate Rider for Shared Tax Changes - effective until September 30, 2016 \$10.53

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 4.0357 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 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 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**

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).

Effective: October 01, 2016

Implementation: All bills rendered on or after October 01, 2016

# **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 all gas consumed from: April 1 through January 1 through

December 31: March 31:

a) Monthly Fixed Charge \$15.00

Rate Rider for Shared Tax Changes - effective until September 30, 2016 \$0.69

b) Delivery Charge

First  $1,000 \text{ m}^3$  per month 15.8149 cents per m<sup>3</sup> 20.1755 cents per m<sup>3</sup> All over  $1,000 \text{ m}^3$  per month 10.5218 cents per m<sup>3</sup> 16.9052 cents per m<sup>3</sup>

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: October 01, 2016

Implementation: All bills rendered on or after October 01, 2016

# **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.

Rate Rider for Shared Tax Changes - effective until September 30, 2016

\$3.81

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 7.1995 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).

Effective: October 01, 2016

Implementation: All bills rendered on or after October 01, 2016

### 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)

Rate Rider for Shared Tax Changes - effective until September 30, 2016 \$380.13

b) A Monthly Demand Charge:

A Monthly Demand Charge of 18.8392 cents per m³ for each m³ of daily contracted firm demand.

- c) A Monthly Delivery Charge:
  - (i) A Monthly Firm Delivery Charge for all firm volumes of 3.8894 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**

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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# **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-2016-0266)	16.4931 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
GPRA Recovery Rate	(EB-2016-0266)	0.1556 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
System Gas Fee	(EB-2010-0018)	0.0363 cents per m <sup>3</sup>
Total Gas Supply Charge		16.6850 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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### 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-2016-0266 DATED SEPTEMBER XX, 2016

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR GAS BILL

## Gas Commodity:

On all bills rendered by Natural Resource Gas Limited ("NRG") on or after October 1, 2016, the price we charge for the gas commodity and transportation portion of your bill will be increasing by \$0.011002 per cubic meter to \$0.166850 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 September 2017. On your gas bill this cost is on the line it 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 the 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 increase by approximately \$22 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 the changes in rates or any other item that appears on your bill, please feel free to call our office at 519-773-5321.

We would like to thank you for choosing to make natural gas your energy of choice.