Ontario Energy Board Commission de l'énergie de l'Ontario

RATE ORDER

EB-2017-0215

NATURAL RESOURCE GAS LIMITED

Natural Resource Gas Limited Application to Correct Purchased Gas Transportation Variance Account Reference Prices

BEFORE: Cathy Spoel

Presiding Member

Lynne Anderson

Member

Michael Janigan

Member

BACKGROUND

Natural Resource Gas Limited (NRG) is a natural gas storage, distribution and transmission company regulated by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB). It is a privately owned utility that sells and distributes natural gas in the Town of Aylmer and surrounding areas to approximately 8,000 customers.

NRG filed an application with the OEB on June 2, 2017, seeking approval to correct the reference prices used in NRG's Purchased Gas Transportation Variance Account (PGTVA) as approved by the OEB in EB-2010-0018¹. NRG noted that it made an error in calculating the reference prices used in the PGVTA to record the variance between forecast and actual transportation costs.

In a Decision dated September 21, 2017, the OEB permitted NRG to correct the reference prices and directed it to file revised accounting orders showing the correct reference prices.

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NRG filed the revised accounting orders on September 28, 2017.

The OEB has reviewed the draft accounting orders and approves them as filed.

No cost awards were sought in the proceeding.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. The Accounting Orders and the reference prices as set out in Schedule A of this Rate Order are approved, effective October 1, 2010.

DATED at Toronto, October 12, 2017

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

¹ OEB approved Rate Order, EB-2010-0018, dated November 17, 2011

SCHEDULE A

TO

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDER EB-2017-0215

DATED: October 12, 2017

1	Accounting Order		
2		Deferral Account to Record	
3	Accounting Entries for the Purchased Gas Transportation Variance Account		
4 5	Note: Account numbers are in accordance with the Uniform System of Accounts for Gas Utilities, Class A, prescribed under the <i>Ontario Energy Board Act</i> , 1998.		
6 7	Accounting Entries for Purchased Gas Transportation Variance Account - Rates 1-5 (PGTVA 1-5)		
8 9 10	Effective October 1, 2010 NRG is authorized to reset the reference price for the PGTVA Fiscal 2011. Whereas formerly a single reference price was used effective October 1, 2010, two references prices will be relied on:		
11	A reference price of \$0.018339/m³ applicable to all customers in rate classes 1 through 5:		
	Debit/ - Credit	Account No. 179-45 Purchased Gas Transportation Variance Account - Rates 1-5 (PGTVA 1-5)	
	Credit/ - Debit	Account No. 623 Cost of Gas	
12 13	To record, as a debit (credit) in Deferral Account No. 179-46, interest on the balance above Deferral Account:		
	Debit/ - Credit	Account No. 179-46 Interest on PGTVA 1-5	
	Credit/ - Debit	Account No. 323 Other Interest Expense	
14 15	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.		
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1	Accounting Order	
2	Deferral Account to Record	
3	Accounting Entries for the Purchased Gas Transportation Variance Account	
4 5	Note: Account numbers are in accordance with the Uniform System of Accounts for Ga Utilities, Class A, prescribed under the <i>Ontario Energy Board Act</i> , 1998.	
6 7	Accounting Entries for Purchased Gas Transportation Variance Account - Rate 6 (PGTVA 6)	
8 9 10	Effective October 1, 2010 NRG is authorized to reset the reference price for the PGTVA Fisca 2011. Whereas formerly a single reference price was used effective October 1, 2010, two references prices will be relied on:	
11	A reference price of \$0.009885/m³ applicable to all customers in rate class 6:	
	Debit/ Credit Account No. 179-47 Purchased Gas Transportation Variance Account - Rate 6 (PGTVA 6)	
	Credit/ _ Account No. 623 Debit Cost of Gas	
12 13	To record, as a debit (credit) in Deferral Account No. 179-48, interest on the balance in the above Deferral Account:	
	Debit/ _ Account No. 179-48 Credit Interest on PGTVA 6	
	Credit/ Debit - Account No. 323 Other Interest Expense	
14 15	Simple interest will be computed monthly on the opening balance in the said account is accordance with the methodology approved by the Board in EB-2006-0117.	