



Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities

DG 14-380

Petition for Approval of a Firm Transportation Agreement with the Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, LLC

Staff Data Requests - Set 4

Date Request Received: 6/10/15  
Request No. Staff 4-15

Date of Response: 6/22/15  
Respondent: Francisco C. DaFonte

**REQUEST:**

Refer to DaFonte Rebuttal, Bates 015, lines 11-22, and Bates 021 at lines 4-8. Answer the following:

- a. Please provide the list of consortium LDCs with the following information in a table format : number of customers, NED commitment, rolled in existing contract with TGP
- b. Did any of the consortium LDCs file for regulatory approval? Please provide details.
- c. Did any of the consortium LDCs commit to meet their 20 years incremental capacity requirement? Please provide details.
- d. Does Mr. DaFonte have knowledge of any instance where an LDC contracted their 20 years' capacity requirement in year one.

**RESPONSE:**

- a. Please see Table 15.a. The Company understands that all Dracut capacity currently held by each LDC in the consortium is being rolled in as part of their NED contractual commitment.

**Table 15.a**

<b>LDC Consortium</b>	<b>Number of Natural Gas Customers (Approximate)</b>	<b>NED Market Path – Contracted Capacity</b>	<b>Rolled-in Existing Contract with TGP at Dracut</b>
Boston Gas d/b/a National Grid	676,000 <sup>1</sup>	151,962 Dth/day	43,200 Dth/day
Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp.	85,000	115,000 Dth/day	50,000 Dth/day
Columbia Gas of Massachusetts	304,000	114,300 Dth/day	29,500 Dth/day
Berkshire Gas	40,000	36,000 Dth/day	n/a

<sup>1</sup> National Grid serves approximately 879,000 natural gas customers in Massachusetts, of which 676,000 are served by Boston Gas Company and 203,000 are served by Colonial Gas Company.

Company			
Connecticut Natural Gas Corporation	170,000	n/a	n/a
Southern Connecticut Gas Corporation	190,000	n/a	n/a
City of Westfield Gas & Electric	9,000	n/a	n/a
Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid	250,000	n/a	n/a

- b. The following LDCs have filed for regulatory approval of their precedent agreements with Kinder Morgan/TGP related to their capacity commitments on the NED Market Path Project.

**Table 15.b**

<b>LDC Consortium</b>	<b>NED Market Path Docket No.</b>
Boston Gas d/b/a National Grid	MA Docket No. D.P.U. 15-34 (Boston Gas)
Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas)	NH Docket No. 14-380
Columbia Gas of Massachusetts	MA Docket No. D.P.U. 15-39
Berkshire Gas Company	MA Docket No. D.P.U. 15-48

- c. In general, an LDC will contract for pipeline capacity based on the unique circumstances of that LDC, including customer growth rate, returning capacity-exempt customers and expiring contracts. While the Company is not familiar with the details of each LDC's strategy or situation, the execution of capacity contracts for 15 to 20 years in support of new transmission pipeline infrastructure is common.
- d. Please see the response to (c) above.