

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BEFORE THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

VALLEY GREEN NATURAL GAS, LLC

Petition for Franchise in the City of Lebanon and Town of Hanover

DG 15-155

Supplemental Testimony of

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- 1 Q. Please state your full names and business addresses
- 2 A. Our full names and business addresses are as follows: James W. Campion, IV, Post
- 3 Office Box 14, 44 Main Street, Hanover, New Hampshire 03755; Kenneth H. Stanley, 38 Resnik
- 4 Rd., Suite # 102, Plymouth, MA 02360; Jonathan W. Carroll, 100 Crossing Blvd., Framingham,
- 5 MA 01702; and Scott Brown, New Energy Capital Partners, L.L.C., 53 South Main Street, Third
- 6 Floor, Hanover, NH 03755.
- 7 Q. Have you provided written testimony in this proceeding?
- 8 A. Yes, we have each provided written pre-filed testimony in this proceeding dated May 15,
- 9 2015.
- 10 Q. What is the purpose of this supplement to testimony?
- 11 A. The purpose of the supplemental testimony is to summarize certain additional
- 12 information about the Valley Green Natural Gas ("Valley Green") project since the filing of
- Valley Green's petition with reference to the discovery responses where such information has
- been disclosed to the parties in this proceeding.
- 15 Q. How does the supplemental testimony impact your original pre-filed testimony?
- 16 A. This testimony supplements our pre-filed testimony and does not, in general, replace it.
- 17 Q. Please describe any changes to Valley Green's project since the filing of its petition.
- 18 A. As further detailed in Valley Green 's confidential supplemental response to Staff 1-2
- 19 (Exhibit 5, Section A), Valley Green modified its design approach in connection with the
- development of build-out scenarios requested by Staff. Valley Green now anticipates that the
- 21 project will rely upon a 1.2 million gallon tank to meet the Commission's storage requirements,
- 22 in lieu of a series of 60,000 gallon tanks. An affiliated company, Valley Green Energy Services,
- 23 LLC, will utilize a significant portion of the tank's storage capacity and engage in unregulated

- sales of natural gas products, including delivery of LNG by truck to remote customers. Valley
- 2 Green Energy Services will make tank space available to Valley Green as needed. Other
- 3 components of the project remain as previously described.
- 4 Q. Please describe the build-out scenarios.
- 5 A. Valley Green modeled build-out in three stages to areas of increasing distance from
- 6 Valley Green's site. The scenarios are further identified in Valley Green's confidential response
- 7 to Staff 1-2 (Exhibit 5, Section A).
- 8 Q. Please elaborate on TRI-MONT's experience to offer engineering services and
- 9 pipeline operation and maintenance support for the Valley Green project.
- 10 A. Beyond the information provided in the Petition (Exhibit 1) and the Pre-filed Direct
- 11 Testimony of Kenneth H. Stanley (Exhibit 2), TRI-MONT's experience is described in further
- detail in Valley Green's responses to Staff 1-3 (Exhibit 4, Section A) and Staff 1-4 (Exhibit 4,
- 13 Section B). Additional information is contained in Valley Green's responses to Almy-Wood 1-3,
- 14 Peress/Neary 1-3, Peress/Neary 1-4 and Peress/Neary 1-5 (not included as exhibits). TRI-
- MONT's experience is noted in the testimony of Mr. Randall S. Knepper and Mr. Robert Wyatt
- of Staff (Exhibit 6), at pp. 7-10.
- 17 Q. Please elaborate on Gulf's experience to offer LNG Facility operation and
- 18 maintenance support for the Valley Green project.
- 19 A. Beyond the information provided in the Petition (Exhibit 1) and the Pre-filed Direct
- Testimony of Jonathan W. Carroll (Exhibit 2), Gulf's experience and unique capabilities are
- described in further detail in Valley Green's responses to Staff 1-3 (Exhibit 4, Section A) and
- 22 EnergyNorth 1-10 (Exhibit 4, Section M).

- 1 Q. Will any other entity provide continual management or support services to Valley
- 2 Green?
- 3 A. Valley Green described the status of its arrangements for meter reading and billing
- 4 services and emergency response services in its confidential response to OCA 1-6 (Exhibit 5,
- 5 Section F). Valley Green has retained Stephen P. St. Cyr & Associates to provide regulatory
- 6 accounting services.
- 7 Q. Please describe Valley Green's updated organizational structure and state whether
- 8 it will have employees or consultants filling roles within that structure.
- 9 A. Valley Green described its updated organizational structure in detail in its response to
- 10 Tech Session 2 supplementing Staff 1-5 (Exhibit 4, Section C), and in the organizational charts,
- by scenario, attached to Valley Green's confidential response to Staff 3-8 (Exhibit 5, Section D).
- 12 Q. Please identify the safety regulations and codes and industry standards that apply to
- 13 the Valley Green project.
- 14 A. Federal and state regulations and codes and industry standards applicable to the Valley
- 15 Green project are summarized in Valley Green's responses to City of Lebanon 1-1 (Exhibit 4,
- 16 Section I) and City of Lebanon 1-3 (Exhibit 4, Section J).
- 17 Q. Please describe why Valley Green chose Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) as its
- 18 primary fuel source.
- 19 A. Valley Green described the reasons behind its choice of LNG as its primary fuel source in
- 20 its responses to Staff 1-3 (Exhibit 4, Section A) and NG Advantage 1-1 (Exhibit 4, Section O).
- 21 Among these reasons are LNG's price stability and LNG's higher energy density, which better
- 22 enables Valley Green to meet the Commission's 7-day storage requirement using on-site storage.

- 1 Q. Please elaborate on Valley Green's contractual arrangements with Gulf for gas
- 2 supply and operation and maintenance services?
- 3 A. Valley Green provided a copy of a memorandum of understanding between Valley Green
- 4 and Gulf in its confidential response to OCA 1-26 (Exhibit 5, Section G). The MOU addresses
- 5 both gas supply and Gulf's operation and maintenance of the LNG facility.
- 6 Q. Please elaborate on how Gulf will supply Valley Green with sufficient LNG to meet
- 7 its needs.
- 8 A. Valley Green further described how Gulf will supply sufficient LNG to the Valley Green
- 9 project in its responses to OCA 1-9 (Exhibit 4, Section D) and OCA 1-23 (Exhibit 4, Section E),
- as well as its response to OCA 1-25 (not included as an exhibit).
- Q. Will Valley Green use alternative sources of supply such as landfill gas?
- 12 A. Valley Green's discussions with the City of Lebanon regarding use of its landfill gas
- 13 resource are described in Valley Green's confidential response to OCA 3-27 (Exhibit 5, Section
- 14 I).
- 15 Q. Has Valley Green developed a proposed tariff to govern its regulated gas service?
- 16 A. Valley Green provided a draft tariff in its response to OCA 1-27 (Exhibit 4, Section F).
- 17 The tariff contains terms of service incorporated from Commission-approved tariffs for other gas
- 18 utilities in New Hampshire.
- 19 Q. Does the draft tariff include proposed customer rates for gas service?
- 20 A. No. Valley Green expects that the issue of rates will be determined in the context of its
- 21 general rate case and that the rates will be developed consistent with traditional cost of service
- 22 ratemaking principles. Valley Green anticipates hiring a rate design consultant to help determine
- 23 appropriate customer classes and rates for its rate case. Valley Green provided a model of its

- anticipated costs versus anticipated sales and resulting per-therm cost in its confidential response
- 2 to Staff 3-10 (Exhibit 5, Section E).
- 3 Q. Please identify the permits that are required for the proposed project.
- 4 A. Valley Green provided a list of permits in response to EnergyNorth 1-1 (Exhibit 4,
- 5 Section K). As described in Arwen 1-2 (Exhibit 4, Section P), the Lebanon Zoning Board of
- 6 Adjustment (ZBA) approved a zoning variance for the property on which the Valley Green
- 7 project will be located. The variance was extended for two years by a vote of the ZBA on March
- 8 21, 2016. Valley Green has completed a wetlands restoration project in anticipation of receiving
- 9 an Alteration of Terrain permit from the N.H. Department of Environmental Services (DES), as
- described in its response to Almy-Wood 1-2 (Exhibit 4, Section Q).
- 11 Q. Please describe what factors caused Valley Green to select the Etna Road site.
- 12 A. Valley Green selected its site due to many factors including but not limited to its zoning
- status, the existing infrastructure in the area, its distance from residential areas, its proximity to
- 14 the interstate highway and its proximity to a large volume of demand, as further detailed in
- Valley Green's responses to EnergyNorth 1-3 (Exhibit 4, Section L) and LU Tech 1-1 (Exhibit 4,
- 16 Section N). For many of the same reasons, the site is also ideally located for unregulated uses
- such as delivery of LNG to remote customers, refueling of Gulf's LNG fleet, and refueling of
- 18 large vehicles including local bus lines. Vehicular customers could include area transit services,
- as two local planning studies referenced in LU Tech 1-1 (Exhibit 4, Section N) identified the
- 20 Etna Road area as the most suitable location to support development of such services.
- 21 Q. Has Valley Green developed rate schedules?
- 22 A. While this is not a rate proceeding, at Staff's request, Valley Green developed detailed
- 23 modeled rate schedules and related financial schedules under the build-out scenarios referenced

- above, as documented in Valley Green's confidential responses to Staff 1-2 (Exhibit 5, Section
- 2 A), Staff 1-7 (Exhibit 5, Section A), Staff 3-2 (Exhibit 5, Section C), Staff 3-8 (Exhibit 5,
- 3 Section D) and Staff 3-10 (Exhibit 5, Section E).
- 4 Q. Will Valley Green be able to offer competitive rates to customers?
- 5 A. Valley Green will be able to offer natural gas service to customers at competitive rates
- 6 under each build-out scenario, as indicated in its confidential responses to Staff 1-2 (Exhibit 5,
- 7 Section A), Staff 1-7 (Exhibit 5, Section A), and Staff 3-10 (Exhibit 5, Section E).
- 8 O. Does Valley Green expect to earn a favorable rate of return on its proposed project?
- 9 A. Yes. As described in its confidential response to Staff 3-2 (Exhibit 5, Section C), Valley
- 10 Green calculated its overall rate of return for all of its build-out scenarios. In each scenario,
- Valley Green projects that it will earn a positive rate of return.
- 12 Q. Please list the 10 potential customers with the greatest annual load usage.
- 13 A. Valley Green provided a list of its 10 largest potential customers in its confidential
- response to Staff 3-1 (Exhibit 5, Section B).
- 15 Q. Please describe Valley Green's marketing to potential customers.
- 16 A. Valley Green's marketing to business and residential customers is described in its
- 17 confidential response to OCA 3-3 (Exhibit 5, Section H) and its response to OCA 3-4 (Exhibit 4,
- 18 Section G).
- 19 Q. Describe Valley Green's discussions about commitments with potential customers?
- 20 A. Valley Green's discussions with customers about potential pricing other terms are
- described in Valley Green's response to OCA 3-7 (Exhibit 4, Section H) and in its confidential
- response to OCA 3-3 (Exhibit 5, Section H).

- 1 Q. What is Valley Green's position on dividing up the territory with Liberty Utilities?
- 2 A. Valley Green's position on dividing up the territory is set forth in its response to OCA 3-4
- 3 (Exhibit 4, Section G).
- 4 Q. Do you have anything else you would like to add to your testimony?
- 5 A. Not at this time.
- 6 Q. Does that complete your testimony?
- 7 A. Yes.