

A simple breakeven analysis of the NED Project can be used to demonstrate the conditions under which the NED Project would be cost effective. This analysis is based on the actual volumes purchased and prices paid by EnergyNorth at Dracut or the EnergyNorth citygate in 2013/14 and 2014/15. As shown in Table 8 below, this analysis demonstrates that the NED capacity would have been cost effective at an average natural gas price at Wright of \$14.79 per Dth in 2013/14 and \$8.08 per Dth in 2014/15.

Table 8: NED Production Area Purchases Breakeven Price

					Average		
	NED Demand	Dracut Purchases	Dracut Purchases	TGP Demand	Cost of	Prod. Area Breakeven	
					Supply		
	Charges	(Dths)	(\$)	Charges	(\$/Dth)	Price	(\$/Dth)
Winter 2013/14			\$54,290,437	\$5,475,000		\$	14.79
Winter 2014/15			\$39,783,909	\$5,475,000		\$	8.08

Neither of these calculations account for capacity mitigation revenues which would only increase the breakeven price by reducing the net cost of the NED capacity. Even so, the large spike in basis to the New England market can quickly overwhelm the breakeven prices. As shown in Figure 5 below, the Dracut price in each of the last three winters has experienced large price increases that exceeded historical expectations.