## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE

Docket No. SEC 96-01 Docket No. SEC 96-03

## SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF AMENDMENT TO CERTIFICATE OF SITE AND FACILITY

Amended Application of Portland Natural Gas Transmission System (PNGTS), for an Energy Facility Certificate to construct, operate and maintain a Natural Gas Pipeline, consisting of approximately 78.6 miles of 24 inch outside diameter pipeline extending from Pittsburg, New Hampshire across northern New Hampshire to Shelburne, New Hampshire, along with a lateral extending 0.7 mile to Groveton, New Hampshire (PNGTS project)

and Amended application of PNGTS and Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C. (M&N) to construct, operate and maintain 31.3 miles of 30 inch outside diameter pipeline between Newington, New Hampshire and Plaistow, New Hampshire, along with two laterals, one extending 1.1 mile to Newington, New Hampshire, and the second extending 0.6 mile to Haverhill, MA (Joint Facilities)

On or about July 16, 1997, the Site Evaluation Committee issued a Certificate of Site and Facility to Portland Natural Gas Transmission System (PNGTS) to construct, operate and maintain a natural gas pipeline approximately 78.6 miles of 24 inch outside diameter pipeline extending from Pittsburg, New Hampshire across northern New Hampshire to Shelburne, New Hampshire, along with a lateral that extends 0.7 miles to Groveton, New Hampshire and to PNGTS and Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C. (M&N) to construct and operate 31.3 miles of 30 inch outside diameter pipeline between Newington, New Hampshire and Plaistow, New Hampshire, along with two laterals, one extending 0.4 miles to Newington, New Hampshire and the second extending 0.6 miles to Haverhill, Massachusetts with associated ancillary facilities (Joint Facilities).

On or about September 26, 1997, the Site Evaluation Committee issued an Order on Rehearing with respect to said Certificate of Site and Facility. Said Order on Rehearing emphasized that the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (NHPUC) Cond. C was amended to emphasize that mile post designation per valve locations were approximate.

The Site Evaluation Committee has been advised that in the final planning and construction process, PNGTS and the Joint Facilities determined that additional valves and blow down sites were needed along the main line to insure that the facilities were in compliance with the Revised Pipeline Safety Act (49 U.S.C. §60101 et. seq.) and the regulations promulgated thereunder (49 C.F.R. Part 192).

PNGTS and the Joint Facilities have submitted new valve locations and changes in permitted valve locations to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) as part of Submittal I-IV and Response to FERC Data Requests dated April 30, 1998. The new valve locations and changes in permitted valve locations are also designated on the alignment sheets filed with the FERC and copied to the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission (NHPUC) on January 23, 1998 and April 30, 1998.

Additionally, the new valve locations and changes in existing valve locations were filed with the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) on May 19, 1998 and June 3, 1998.

Pursuant to the authority delegated to them under RSA 162-H:4 (III-a) the NHPUC has approved the new valve locations and changes consistent with its public safety function and NHDES has approved the environmental aspects of the new valve locations and changes in location of existing valves. See letters from NHDES dated June 8, 1998 and June 18, 1998.

Upon consideration of the foregoing, it is:

ORDERED, that the Certificate of Site and Facility is hereby amended to include the new valve locations, additional valves and blow down sites, and changes in valve locations as designated in the filings of PNGTS and the Joint Facilities with the NHPUC on January 23, 1998 and April 30, 1998, and with NHDES on May 19, 1998 and June 3, 1998.

By Order of the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Committee of the State of New Hampshire this 7 th day of December, 1998.

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