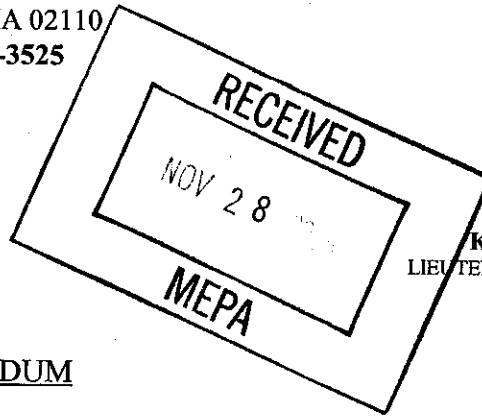




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MEMORANDUM

TO: Interested Persons

FROM: Selma Urman, Esq. *SU*

RE: Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, FERC Docket No. CP06-18-000.
Public Hearing on Proposed Natural Gas Pipeline Construction in the Towns of Saugus, Wakefield and Lynnfield

DATE: November 23, 2005

Enclosed please find a Notice of Public Hearing on an application filed by Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company ("Tennessee or "Company") with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission proposed natural gas pipeline, FERC Docket No. CP06-18-000, which application was filed by the Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company ("Tennessee"). On December 14, 2005, the Energy Facilities Siting Board ("Siting Board") will conduct a public hearing regarding the application of Tennessee. Tennessee requests a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") to construct, install, and operate approximately 7.8 miles of 24-inch diameter pipeline in the Towns of Saugus, Wakefield and Lynnfield. The public hearing will be held jointly with a public scoping meeting conducted by FERC. The public hearing will take place on the following date:

Wednesday, December 14, 2005
7:00 p.m.

Wakefield High School Cafeteria
60 Farm Street
Wakefield, MA

The Energy Facilities Siting Board is an independent Board of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts within the Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("DTE"). The Siting Board has nine members. The Chairman of the Siting Board is the Chairman of the DTE, and its members include two other DTE Commissioners, the Director of Economic Development, the Secretary of Environmental Affairs, the Commissioner of Energy Resources, and three public members appointed by the Governor.

This proceeding involves the proposed construction and operation of an interstate pipeline, which proposed project is within the jurisdiction of FERC. Because the Siting Board is interested in the potential impacts of proposed interstate pipeline facilities on the Commonwealth and its residents, the Siting Board will intervene with regard to environmental issues in the FERC proceeding involving Tennessee Gas' proposed facilities.

While the Siting Board may not approve or disapprove the proposed Tennessee pipeline, the Siting Board is required by regulation to "preserve the rights of interested citizens of the Commonwealth by intervening in FERC proceedings" with respect to such projects, and to hold public informational hearings in the areas where the projects are to be located. Thus, in addition to conducting the December 14, 2005 public hearing in the Town of Wakefield, the Siting Board will prepare comments, based primarily on the information and comments received at the public hearings concerning the potential environmental impacts of Tennessee's proposed pipeline. The Siting Board will forward these comments to FERC for its use in reaching a decision with respect to the proposed project.

The Siting Board welcomes written comments concerning the proposed Tennessee pipeline. Comments should be sent to the Energy Facilities Siting Board, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts 02110, by December 21, 2005.

The enclosed Notice was forwarded to the Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company for publication in the Wakefield Daily Item and the Boston Globe.

LEGAL NOTICE
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
ENERGY FACILITIES SITING BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION
Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Docket No. CP06-18-000

Notice is hereby given that Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company ("Tennessee") on October 31, 2005 filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") an abbreviated application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for permission to construct and operate the natural gas pipeline facilities described below. The project is scheduled to commence construction during the second quarter of 2007 and to be completed by the third quarter of 2007.

Tennessee proposes to construct, install, and operate approximately 7.8 miles of twenty-four inch pipeline in Essex and Middlesex Counties, Massachusetts. The proposed facilities will provide an additional 82,300 Dekatherms per day of incremental firm transportation to Tennessee's New England Area market. The proposed pipeline will begin in Saugus, Massachusetts continue through Wakefield, Massachusetts and will terminate in Lynnfield, Massachusetts. The proposed pipeline would be located predominantly within an existing right of way of New England Power Company. The proposed route would cross the following roads in Saugus: Magnolia Avenue, Altamount Avenue, Essex Street, Stevens Place, Tanglewood Drive, Hammersmith Drive, Lynn Fells Parkway, Howard Street, Main Street and Water Street. The proposed route would cross the following roads in Wakefield: Montrose Avenue, Salem Street, Interstate 95 on ramp, Teal Road and Audubon Road. The proposed route would cross Main Street in Lynnfield.

Copies of the abbreviated application for the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity are on file in the office of the Town Clerks of Saugus, Wakefield and Lynnfield. Additional copies of the application and the environmental report are on file in Saugus at the Saugus Public Library, 295 Central Street; in Wakefield at the Lucius Beebe Memorial Library, 345 Main Street; and in Lynnfield at the Lynnfield Public Library, 18 Summer Street.

The Massachusetts Energy Facilities Siting Board will conduct a local public hearing to receive environmental comments regarding construction of the proposed pipeline. The Siting Board will transmit the comments it receives to the FERC. The public hearing will be held jointly with a public scoping meeting conducted by the FERC. The hearing will be held at the following time and location:

Wednesday, December 14, 2005, at 7:00 p.m.
Location: Wakefield High School Cafeteria
60 Farm Street
Wakefield, MA

A copy of this notice is posted in the Clerk's Office in the Saugus Town Hall, the Wakefield Town Hall, and the Lynnfield Town Hall.

Interested persons are invited to attend the hearing. Any written environmental comments on the proposed construction should be sent to the Siting Board at the address below by December 21, 2005.

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