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LETTER DECISION

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Dear Mr. Pelletier:

**NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. (NGTL)
Application for Approval of Amendments to the NGTL Gas
Transportation Tariff Temporary Service Protocol (Application)
RH-002-2019 Decision with Reasons to Follow**

On 26 August 2019, NGTL filed an application with the National Energy Board (NEB) pursuant to paragraph 60(1)(b) of the *National Energy Board Act* (NEB Act) for amendments to the NGTL tariff to incorporate a Temporary Service Protocol. NGTL requested an effective date for the Temporary Service Protocol of 3 September 2019, or as soon as possible thereafter.

On 28 August 2019, the *Canadian Energy Regulator Act* (CER Act) came into force and section 36 of the transitional provisions associated with the CER Act states that applications pending before the NEB immediately before the commencement day are to be taken up before the Commission of the Canada Energy Regulator (Commission) and continued in accordance with the NEB Act.

The Commission received a number of submissions on the application, including NGTL's responses to the Commission's Information Request No. 1. Numerous parties, including NGTL, requested an expedited review process of the Application by the Commission.

On 20 September 2019, the Commission scheduled an expedited oral hearing process, which took place in Calgary on 25 September 2019. Following the Notice of Hearing, the Commission received 23 written submissions and 9 parties (including NGTL) appeared to provide oral argument.

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Decision

The Commission approves the NGTL application as filed and hereby orders that tolls may be charged in accordance with the amended tariff, effective 30 September 2019, with reasons to follow. The Commission is releasing the decision now, in advance of the reasons, in response to the requests from NGTL and other parties for an expedited decision.

NGTL is directed to immediately serve a copy of this correspondence on all shippers, interested parties, and Tolls, Tariff, Facilities and Procedures Committee members.

Yours sincerely,

Original signed by

L. George
Secretary of the Commission