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To: List of Participants

> **Trans Mountain Pipeline ULC** Application for Interim Commencement Date Tolls and Other Matters related to the Transportation of Petroleum on the Expanded Trans Mountain **Pipeline System Extension Request for Additional Written Evidence**

Before: M. Watton, Presiding Commissioner; K. Penney, Commissioner; S. Luciuk, Commissioner

Trans Mountain Pipeline ULC (Trans Mountain) applied on 1 June 2023 for approval of interim commencement date tolls and other matters associated with the transportation of petroleum on the expanded Trans Mountain pipeline system (C24695) (Application).

By letter dated 1 August 2023 (C25730), the Commission of the Canada Energy Regulator (CER) indicated that it would consider the Application in two steps: (1) a Preliminary Decision on interim tolls to avoid delays to the Commencement Date of the expanded Trans Mountain pipeline system; and (2) a Final Interim Tolls (FIT) Decision that may update the interim tolls set in the Preliminary Decision following a hearing process.

On 12 October 2023, the Commission issued a letter regarding FIT, including establishing the process steps and deadlines for the FIT Hearing (C26601). The first steps in the FIT Hearing were for interested parties not previously confirmed as intervenors in the Preliminary Decision Process to register to participate (by 19 October 2023) and for Trans Mountain to file Additional Written Evidence (by 24 November 2023).

The Commission notes that no interested parties beyond those confirmed as intervenors in the Preliminary Decision Process registered to participate in the FIT Hearing. See Appendix 1 for the List of Intervenors.

On 10 November 2023, Trans Mountain filed a letter requesting a three-week extension to its 24 November 2023 deadline to file Additional Written Evidence to 15 December 2023 (C27217). Trans Mountain submits that additional time is required to meaningfully comply with the Commission's directions to provide detailed cost information. Trans Mountain indicates that it would not oppose commensurate extensions to the remaining hearing steps.

The Commission has decided to grant Trans Mountain's requested extension. Trans Mountain's request is reasonable given the Commission's directions regarding Additional Written Evidence set out in its 12 October 2023 letter. The Commission has also granted corresponding extensions for subsequent hearing steps to avoid prejudice to other parties.



Note that additional adjustments to the timetable were required as a result of the three-week extension, for example, to account for statutory holidays. See Appendix 2 for the Revised Timetable of Events.

Yours sincerely,

Signed by

Ramona Sladic Secretary of the Commission

Attachments Appendix 1 – List of Intervenors Appendix 2 – Revised Timetable of Events

## Appendix 1

## List of Intervenors

Alberta Department of Energy BP Products North America Inc. Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers Canadian Natural Resources Limited Cenovus Energy Inc. ConocoPhillips Canada Imperial Oil Limited MEG Energy Corp Marathon Petroleum Canada Trading & Supply ULC Parkland Refining (BC) Ltd PetroChina Canada Ltd. Suncor Energy Inc. TotalEnergies EP Canada Tsleil-Waututh Nation Vancouver Fraser Port Authority

Western Canada Marine Response Corp

## Appendix 2

## **Revised Timetable of Events**

All submissions are due by 4:00 PM, Calgary time, on the date specified.

Events	Responsible Participant(s)	Deadline
Additional written evidence	Applicant	15 December 2023
IR No. 1 to Applicant		
IR No.1 to Applicant	Intervenors	2 February 2024
Applicant response to IR No. 1	Applicant	26 February 2024
Motion process on IRs to Applicant		
File written motions	Intervenors	29 February 2024
Responding party(ies) files comments to motion	Applicant	4 March 2024
Moving party(ies) files reply	Intervenors	6 March 2024
IR No. 2 to Applicant		
IR No.2 to Applicant	Intervenors	19 April 2024
Applicant response to IR No. 2	Applicant	10 May 2024
Motion process on IRs to Applicant		
File written motions	Intervenors	15 May 2024
Responding party(ies) files comments to motion	Applicant	17 May 2024
Moving party(ies) files reply	Intervenors	22 May 2024
Evidence		
Intervenor evidence	Intervenors	19 June 2024
Letter of Comments	Commenters	19 June 2024
IRs to Intervenors		
IR No.1 to Intervenors	Applicant and Intervenors	25 July 2024
Intervenors response to IR No.1	Intervenors	16 August 2024
Motion process on IRs to Intervenors		
File written motions	Applicant and Intervenors	21 August 2024
Responding party(ies) files comments to motion	Intervenors	23 August 2024
Moving party(ies) files reply	Applicant, Intervenors	27 August 2024
Reply evidence		
Applicant reply evidence	Applicant	25 September 2024
Oral Hearing		
Oral cross examination begins	Applicant, Intervenors and Commission	16 October 2024
Written and oral argument	Applicant, Intervenors	Following cross examination