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NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. 2022 Meter Stations and Laterals Abandonment Program Notice of Proposed Abandonment Subsection 241(1) of the Canadian Energy Regulator Act

On May 23, 2023, NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. (NGTL) has filed an application with the Canada Energy Regulator (CER) to abandon 17-meter stations and 17 associated lateral pipelines and four producer tie-ins, six stand-alone meter stations, six stand-alone lateral pipelines and three producer tie-ins pursuant to subsection 241(1) of the Canadian Energy Regulator Act.

The proposed abandonment will involve the abandon in-place of approximately 153.45 km of pipe ranging between NPS 4 and NPS 12 and the removal of approximately 0.51 km of pipe ranging between NPS 6 and NPS 12, and 17-meter stations and associated infrastructure (i.e., valves, cathodic protection systems etc.) located throughout Alberta as shown on the accompanying map. You can find the application on the CER's website here, https://apps.cer-rec.gc.ca/REGDOCS/ under CER Filing ID: C24570 or by accessing the following link https://apps.cerrec.gc.ca/REGDOCS/Item/View/4368635.

The Commission of the CER (Commission) expects NGTL. has consulted with those who may be potentially affected by an abandonment project to discuss the project activities, abandonment method, mitigation measures, and the discontinuation of service. Information on the Commission's expectations of engagement can be found in Guide B of the Filing Manual (www.cerrec.gc.ca/FilingManual).

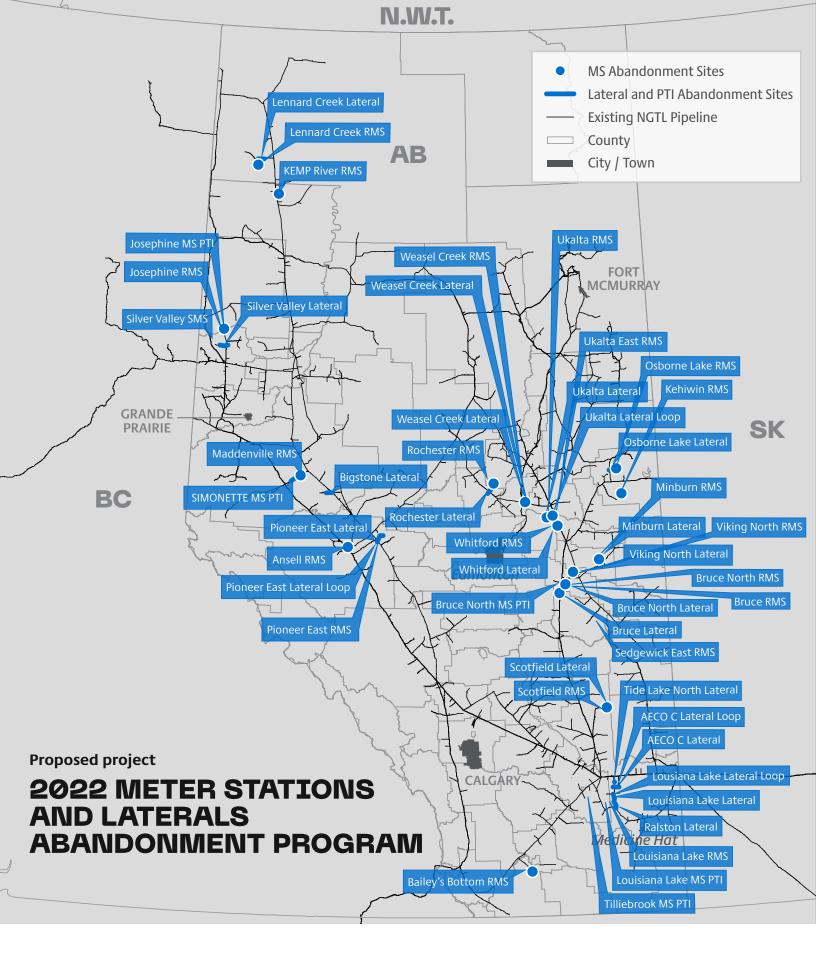
If you anticipate that your lands, rights or interests may be adversely affected by the proposed abandonment, you may advise the Commission of your concerns about the proposed abandonment by filing a written statement of opposition or a request for a hearing within thirty (30) days of May **31**, **2023.** The written statement of opposition or request for hearing must set out the nature of your interest and concerns in relation to the proposed abandonment. A form to use for your statement of opposition or request for a hearing can also be found on the CER's website at https://www.cerrec.gc.ca/en/consultation-engagement/land-matters-guide/land-matters-advisory-service.html. Part F of the form includes information on filing your statement of opposition/request for hearing form.

If a statement of opposition or request for hearing is filed with the CER and is not frivolous or vexatious and is not withdrawn, then the Commission will order that a public hearing be conducted in respect of the abandonment application. In establishing a hearing process, the Commission will consider the nature of the application and the content of any statements of opposition or requests for hearing it receives.

For projects where the Commission is the final decision maker, the CER's intent is to fulfill the Crown's duty to consult through the Commission's regulatory process. The Commission is the final decision-maker on this Project. Indigenous communities who are concerned that their established or potential Indigenous or Treaty rights and related interests could be affected by the project are strongly encouraged to make their concerns known to the Commission and to participate in any process held by the Commission. For more information on the CER's approach to fulfilling any potential duty to consult with Indigenous peoples that may arise in this context, please see the Letter dated 30 November 2020 on the CER's website at https://www.cer-rec.gc.ca/en/consultationengagement/crown-consultation/canada-energy-regulator-approach-crown-consultation.html.

Alternate Dispute Resolution (**ADR**) services – such as mediation and facilitation – are available from the CER to help parties resolve disputes outside of the Commission's hearing processes. You can read more about ADR on the CER's website at <u>www.cer-rec.gc.ca/adr</u>.

For more information or for any questions, you can contact the CER's Land Matters Advisory Service at 1-800-899-1265 (toll free) or via email at <u>LMAS.SCQF@cer-rec.gc.ca</u>.



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