

July 28, 2025

The Honorable Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20426

Re: Docket CP25-528-000 Eastern Gas Transmission & Storage, Inc. Appalachian Reliability Project Via E-File and customer@ferc.gov

Dear Secretary Reese:

On behalf of the Marcellus Shale Coalition (MSC), I am writing to express the MSC's strong support for Eastern Gas Transmission and Storage's (EGTS) application to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for its Appalachian Reliability Project.

The MSC was formed in 2008 and is currently comprised of nearly 150 companies engaged in the safe and responsible development of unconventional natural gas resources. Our members represent all aspects of the natural gas sector, including exploration and production, processing, midstream and transmission companies and the supply chain and professional services firms that partner with the industry.

EGTS currently operates nearly 4,000 miles of pipelines which safely move natural gas from production and storage fields to end-users to help meet the needs of consumers throughout the entire Mid-Atlantic region. From utilities to electric power generation, from critical care facilities like hospitals and nursing homes, to schools, factories and other consumers, EGTS serves a vital role in delivering reliable, clean and affordable energy to millions of customers.

The Appalachian Reliability Project includes upgrades to several existing compressor stations and metering and regulation facilities, including locations at three counties in Pennsylvania and one in Ohio. These upgrades, which include installation of new turbines, a new interconnection location in Armstrong County, PA, and the installation of four miles of new pipeline, will result in an incremental increase of 550,000 dekatherms per day for delivery to the Texas Eastern Pipeline in Westmoreland County, PA and the Rockies Express Pipeline in Monroe County, Ohio

In addition to requesting FERC approval of this application, EGTS will be pursuing and acquiring any new or modified air quality permits from state environmental agencies which may be required.

I urge FERC to give this application its favorable consideration in a timely manner, so that the critical construction work and associated environmental permitting processes can proceed in a manner that allows the Appalachian Reliability Project to meet its anticipated in-service schedule for June 2028.

Thank you for your consideration, and please do not hesitate to contact me should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

Jim Welty, President Marcellus Shale Coalition



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