

August 15, 2025

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

RE: CP25-528-000

Dear Secretary Reese:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments in strong support of Eastern Gas Transmission and Storage's (EGTS) application to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for its Appalachian Reliability Project.

The Ohio Oil and Gas Association (OOGA) is a 78-year-old statewide trade association representing both independent conventional producers and large independent horizontal operators exploring Ohio's shale play. OOGA membership also consists of midstream companies, large-scale transmission line companies, refineries, contractors, oilfield service and supply providers, manufacturers, gas utilities and various other professional entities.

EGTS provides safe, reliable and affordable natural gas transportation and storage services to markets in Maryland, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia. EGTS safely operates nearly 4,000 miles of pipeline and more than 985,000 horsepower of compression, offering one of the largest underground natural gas storage systems in the United States. It provides reliable energy for many large customers, including utilities, power plants and local distribution companies, to heat homes and run small businesses. EGTS plays an important role in Ohio's energy ecosystem.

The Appalachian Reliability Project is designed to meet the growing energy demands across the region, including Ohio. The project will leverage existing EGTS infrastructure while increasing the capacity on its system through pipeline additions and station upgrades. The aim is to create 550,000 dekatherms/day of incremental firm transportation capacity from a new receipt point in Armstrong County, PA for deliveries to Texas Eastern Pipeline in Westmoreland County, PA and the Rockies Express Pipeline (REX) in Monroe County, OH.

This project specifically includes installing a 11,100 hp turbine unit at the Mullett Compressor Station and upgrading the existing German Ridge Metering and Regulation Facility, both located in Monroe County, OH.

OOGA urges FERC to give this application favorable consideration in a timely manner so that the Appalachian Basin can receive the benefits of this important project in line with the company's projected timeline of being operational by the summer of 2028.

Thank you for your timely consideration.

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President