

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

January 13, 2025

The Honorable Willie Phillips
Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20426

RE: CP25-29-000 for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity of Eastern Gas Transmission and Storage, Inc.

Dear Chairman Phillips:

We are writing in support of the Eastern Gas Transmission and Storage, Inc. (EGTS) Capital Area Project, which will provide an additional 67,500 dekatherms per day of natural gas from Pennsylvania to customers in surrounding communities near Washington, DC. In Pennsylvania, the project will increase natural gas capacity on EGTS' existing PL-1 pipeline system through the addition of compression and facility modifications at existing compressor stations. Specifically, the project involves the installation of a 6,130-horsepower gas-fired turbine compressor at the Centre Compressor Station in Centre County and an 11,110-horsepower gas-fired turbine compressor at the Chambersburg Compressor Station in Franklin County. Additionally, the Finnefrock Compressor Station in Clinton County will undergo upgrades, including the replacement of gas coolers, headers, and cold recycle piping, as well as the installation of new check valves.

The energy demand of the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area continues to grow. Residential customers are driving this rise in demand, with Virginia and Maryland experiencing a 7.9 and 7.0 percent population gain between 2010 – 2020 according to U.S. Census. This project will directly serve the natural gas needs of these growing populations and increase the reliability of natural gas supply to communities, especially during periods of peak demand during winter storms.

Pennsylvania's natural gas will continue to be an important natural resource for U.S. energy security for many years and ensure Americans have reliable and affordable energy. The Capital Area Project can help meet current and future customer demand in a reliable and cost-effective manner, and we look forward to the Commission's approval of it. Should you or any of your fellow Commissioners have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our offices. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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John Joyce, M.D.
Member of Congress

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Glenn Thompson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "G".

Glenn "GT" Thompson
Member of Congress

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