



January 3, 2025

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

Re: Docket CP25-29-000 Eastern Gas Transmission and Storage, Inc. Capital Area 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 Capital Area Project.

The MSC was formed in 2008 and is currently comprised of more than 145 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 fields, storage fields and 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 Capital Area Project includes upgrades to four existing compressor stations, including three in Pennsylvania and one in Virginia. These upgrades, which include the replacement of gas coolers along with the installation of new turbines and electric motors, will result in an incremental increase of 67,500 dekatherms per day for delivery from natural gas storage fields in central Pennsylvania to natural gas utility customers.

It is important to note that this project does not involve the construction of any new pipelines or related facilities to implement. 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.

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 Capital Area Project to meet its anticipated in-service schedule for winter 2027.

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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