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To: Participants to Hearing Order MH-002-2017
NOVA Gas Transmissions Ltd. (NGTL)

Hearing Order MH-002-2017
NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. (NGTL)
Peace River Mainline Abandonment Project (Project)
Procedural Update No. 2 - Oral Traditional Evidence
Location and Guidance

On 10 April 2017, the National Energy Board (Board) issued [Hearing Order MH-002-2017](#) which explains the steps and deadlines that will be followed during this public hearing process (Hearing).

On 16 May 2017, the Board issued a [letter](#) to participants in the Hearing for participation in a Community Meeting and Oral Traditional Evidence (OTE) for the Project. The Board received a [notice of intent](#) to provide an Oral Statement and OTE from Gunn Métis Local 55 (Lac. Ste. Anne Métis) (GML) and Mountain Métis Nation Association (MMNA). The groups stated they will be present OTE jointly. NGTL [replied](#) that it would attend the Community Meeting and OTE and would provide an oral statement summarizing the Project.

Schedule and Location for Presentation of OTE and Oral Statement

The Board will hold an oral hearing for the presentation of GML and MMNA OTE on Thursday, 17 August 2017, at the Radisson Hotel Edmonton South in Edmonton, AB. The session will be from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm and from 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm. NGTL's oral statement will follow from approximately 4:00 to 4:30. All presenters will be asked to swear or affirm that the information they are presenting is accurate and truthful to the best of their knowledge and belief. The Board will offer live audio streaming of the OTE and oral statement on its website.

The Board will accommodate any ceremonial requests that relate to the presentation of OTE to the best of its ability. GML and MMNA may contact the Process Advisor, Matt Groza or Brian Lam, at PRMA.ProcessHelp@neb-one.gc.ca or telephone 1-800-899-1265 (toll free) to discuss such a request by 5:00 pm, Calgary time, 4 August 2017.

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Questions Following Presentation of OTE and Oral Statement

Following the conclusion of OTE, the Board may ask questions of clarification. The Board may also ask questions of clarification following NGTL's oral statement. If participants would prefer to answer questions in writing, or partially in writing, that is entirely up to them.

Further Information

Equipment that can project on a screen will be set up in the hearing room for evidence and other documents filed on the public registry that GML, MMNA or NGTL may want to refer to. Any filed evidence may be referred to, regardless of the participant that filed it. You are not limited to referring only to evidence that you or your group has filed.

To ensure an efficient OTE hearing process, the Board requests that those who wish to refer to evidence already filed on the public registry prepare a list of the documents they will refer to by completing the form in Appendix II. The form must be provided to Rachel Savoie, Regulatory Officer, at rachel.savoie@neb-one.gc.ca, by 5:00 pm, Calgary Time, 14 August 2017.

Please note that GML and MMNA do not have to accompany OTE with visual material and that the Board will be familiar with any written evidence filed on the public registry.

Details on how to file documents on the public registry and how to serve other participants are set out in Sections 4.2 and 4.3 of the Hearing Order MH-002-2017.

Please refer to Appendix I "Guidance for the Presentation of Oral Traditional Evidence" attached to this Procedural Update No. 2 for further information in relation to the presentation of OTE.

If you require additional information regarding this Procedural Update, please contact Matt Groza or Brian Lam, Process Advisors, at PRMA.ProcessHelp@neb-one.gc.ca or telephone 1-800-899-1265 (toll free).

Yours truly,

Original signed by L. George for

Sheri Young
Secretary of the Board

Attachments

Appendix I

Guidance for the Presentation of Oral Traditional Evidence (OTE)

1. Who can provide OTE?

Presenters as provided in the notice of intent to participate:

Gunn Métis Local 55 (Lac. Ste. Anne Métis) (GML):

- Beatrice Letendre
- Victor Letendre
- Lois Cunningham
- Tracy L. Friedel

Mountain Métis Nation Association (MMNA):

- Charlie Delorme
- Josephine Leavitt

2. Date and location

As noted in this Procedural Update No. 2, the Board will hear OTE on **Thursday, 17 August 2017 commencing at 9:00 am (local time) at the Radisson Hotel Edmonton South, 4440 Gateway Blvd in Edmonton, Alberta.** The first sitting will be from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm and from 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm (with breaks as needed).

3. What will happen upon arrival at the venue?

The presenters should arrive at the hearing venue at least 20 minutes prior to the start time. Upon arriving at the hearing venue, they are asked to check in with a member of the Board's staff who will confirm their attendance and answer any questions or help to coordinate any ceremonies or other arrangements that were made in advance through the Process Advisor.

4. What if presenters want to make their presentations in a language other than English or French?

OTE may be presented in a language other than English or French. If this is the case, GML and MMNA must provide its own interpreter and pay for the associated costs (which may be covered by any participant funding approved for that purpose). Only the English translation of the OTE will be included in the hearing transcript.

Please notify Matt Groza or Brian Lam, Process Advisors, at PRMA.ProcessHelp@neb-one.gc.ca or telephone 1-800-899-1265 (toll free). By 5:00 pm, Calgary time, 10 August 2017, if GML or MMNA will be using an interpreter during the presentation of its OTE.

It is the responsibility of GML and MMNA to confirm the accuracy of the English translation within the hearing transcript. Within 3 days after the hearing transcript is posted on the NEB website, GML and/or MMNA are to advise of any inaccuracies and to provide corrections by filing with the Board a letter providing that information.

5. Can visual aids be used during an OTE presentation?

Visual aids or other written materials referred to during the presentation of OTE (for example, a map illustrating traditional land use, or a sacred item) should only be used to assist in interpreting or illustrating the OTE. Most written materials are more appropriately filed as written evidence.

Any visual aids that are intended to be use during an OTE presentation that are not on the public registry must be filed with the Board and served on NGTL and all Intervenors in the hearing at least 48 hours in advance of 17 August 2017. This can be done electronically through the Board's Participation Portal, using GML and MMNA online [NEB Account](#). It can also be done by filing a hard copy by mail, fax or in person. All visual aids will be made available on the Board's online public registry.

For details on how to file documents on the public registry and how to serve other participants refer to Section 4.2 and Section 4.3 of the [Hearing Order](#).

6. Can a presenter participate remotely?

If a presenter is not able to physically attend the 17 August 2017 session located in Edmonton, the Board can accommodate OTE by telephone, or potentially other means, during the 17 August 2017 session.

Should remote participation be required, please contact Matt Groza or Brian Lam, Process Advisors, at PRMA.ProcessHelp@neb-one.gc.ca or telephone 1-800-899-1265 (toll free) by **5:00 pm, Calgary Time, 10 August 2017**, to discuss making such arrangements.

7. Who can listen to OTE?

The Board will offer live audio streaming of the OTE presentation on 17 August 2017 via its [website](#).

The presentation will also be transcribed and the electronic hearing transcript will be available on the online public registry.

Anyone may order a copy of the printed hearing transcript directly from International Reporting Inc. This can be done by emailing seanp@irri.net, or by calling 1-800-899-0006. There may be a fee for this service.

8. Is OTE given under oath?

Before providing OTE, presenters will be asked to swear or affirm that the information they are presenting is accurate and truthful to the best of their knowledge and belief. If a presenter prefers to be sworn, they will be asked to place their hand on a Bible or another sacred item. If the presenter wants to swear on a sacred item other than a Bible, they will need to bring that item to the hearing. If the presenter prefers to be affirmed, they will simply be asked to make a statement that the information they are presenting is accurate to the best of their knowledge and belief.

9. Who to contact for assistance and if there are questions about the presentation of OTE?

For additional information about presentation of OTE, please contact Matt Groza or Brian Lam, Process Advisors, at PRMA.ProcessHelp@neb-one.gc.ca or telephone 1-800-899-1265 (toll free).

Appendix II

NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd.
NGTL Peace River Mainline Abandonment – MH-002-2017
List of Documents in the Public Registry
to be Referred to at the Oral Traditional Evidence Hearing
17 August 2017

Party Name: _____

Document Number from the Public Registryⁱ	Brief Description	PDF Page Number	Paper Page Number	Line or paragraph reference
<i>Example: A81418</i>	<i>NGTL Response to NEB IR No. 1.1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>IR Response 1.1.</i>

ⁱ This is the number found at the beginning of the title of the document.