



Regulatory Agenda

The period covered in this Regulatory Agenda is the month of June 2001

Hearing Applications

Decision Pending

1. *Westcoast Energy Inc. (WEI) - Pine River Gas Plant Sulphur Pipeline - MH-1-2001 (File 3050-W005-1)*

On 12 April, the Board decided not to permit WEI to reopen its Pine River Gas Plant Sulphur Pipeline (the pipeline) until it is satisfied that certain issues have been fully addressed, or that a comprehensive plan is in place to address those issues. On 24 April, the Board sent a letter to WEI providing the scope for the comprehensive plan to be developed by the company.

On 16 March, the Board had issued an order, following a number of fires on the pipeline, directing WEI to stop all work on the pipeline, except work required in an emergency situation, and to cease operating the pipeline pending further order of the Board.

The Board held a public hearing on the operation of WEI's pipeline from 9 to 12 April in Chetwynd, British Columbia. The purpose of the hearing was to determine if the pipeline may be safely operated; whether the Board should order WEI to repair, reconstruct or alter part of the pipeline in order to ensure that it may be safely operated;

and, if conditions should be imposed on WEI in order to ensure the safe operation of the pipeline.

Hearings Scheduled

1. *TransCanada PipeLines Limited (TCPL) - 2001/2002 Tolls and Tariff - RH-1-2001 (File 4200-T001-15)*

The Board will hold a public hearing commencing on 20 August in Calgary, Alberta on an application from TCPL concerning 2001/2002 tolls and tariff issues (Tolls Application).

In April, TCPL and certain stakeholders reached an agreement on the terms of a settlement. The proposed settlement related to all tolls and tariff matters for the years 2001 and 2002, excluding cost of capital issues. The settlement, which would be effective 1 January 2001, established a toll methodology to be utilized for both 2001 and 2002, tariff provisions to be applicable in that time period, and the components of the revenue requirement (other than cost of capital) to be used in the calculation for final tolls for 2001.

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Preface

The purpose of this agenda is to provide information on the Board's activities. Except where otherwise noted, jurisdiction over the items listed in the agenda is exercised pursuant to the *National Energy Board Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c.N-7, as amended.

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Economic Efficiency"*

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On 6 June, TCPL filed an application for the approval of the cost of capital to be included in the calculation of its mainline tolls for the years 2001 and 2002. The Board will announce at a later date the process for dealing with that application (see item 5 below under *Hearing Applications Filed*).

In May, the Board had requested comments from interested parties on the substance of the Tolls Application as well as the need for and nature of a further process. Subsequent to review of the comments received, the Board decided that TCPL's settlement was not in accordance with the Board's *Guidelines for Negotiated Settlements of Traffic, Tolls and Tariffs*. The Board directed TCPL to advise whether it wished to file an amended application or have the Board treat the application as a common position of parties. TCPL advised the Board that, after communicating with all of the signatories to the proposed settlement, it had decided not to file an amended application and requested that the Board establish a process to consider the application as filed.

2. BC Gas Utility Ltd. (BC Gas) - Review of Reasons for Decision RH-2-98 - RH-2-2001 (File 4775-W005-1-15)

The Board will hold a public hearing commencing on 5 September in Vancouver, British Columbia on an application from BC Gas to review and vary a decision that the Board rendered in March 1999. The decision followed a public hearing (hearing number RH-2-98) regarding an application by BC Gas for access to the pipeline system of Westcoast Energy Inc. (Westcoast) and the appropriate tolls for the service.

On 8 May, BC Gas applied to the Board for:

i) a review and variance of the Board's decision and Order TG-2-99 issued following the RH-2-98 proceeding; and, ii) an order establishing the terms and conditions, including tolls, under which Westcoast shall receive, transport and deliver natural gas from Kingsvale and Hope to Huntingdon, British Columbia.

In the RH-2-98 Decision, the Board had approved a request by BC Gas for a receipt point on Westcoast's pipeline at Kingsvale, British Columbia and for Westcoast to receive, transport and deliver any gas delivered at Kingsvale to the Huntingdon Delivery Area. The Board had also decided that the appropriate toll for firm service from Kingsvale to Huntingdon would be Westcoast's Zone 4 toll to Huntingdon.

BC Gas stated that the grounds for review and variance of the RH-2-98 Decision are the changed circumstances and new facts that have arisen since that Decision was rendered. The changed circumstances and new facts, as stated by BC Gas, include:

- i) recent developments in natural gas markets that have signaled an urgent need for expansion of pipeline capacity to the British Columbia Lower Mainland and the US Pacific Northwest;
- ii) the Westcoast Pipeline Expansion open season announced on April 19, 2001 in response to growing market demand;
- iii) the construction and commencement of operation of the BC Gas Southern Crossing Pipeline; and,
- iv) the BC Gas Inc. Inland Pacific Connector project open season announced on May 7, 2001.

BC Gas also stated that the changed circumstances provide justification for an order establishing the terms and conditions, including tolls, under which Westcoast shall receive, transport and deliver natural gas from Kingsvale and Hope to Huntingdon, British Columbia.

On 17 May, the Board sought the views of interested parties on BC Gas' application. The Board found that, on balance, the changed circumstances and new facts identified by BC Gas support the company's request for review. The Board considered that the changed circumstances and new facts, when taken together and if tested and found to be true, could have a bearing on matters relative to the Board's RH-2-98 Decision.

Hearing Applications Filed

1. Westcoast Energy Inc. (WEI) - Pipeline Construction - Grizzly Raw Gas Transmission System Expansion and the Weejay Lateral (File 3200-W005-11)

On 18 May, the Board invited public comments on the environmental aspects of an application by WEI to extend the Grizzly Raw Gas Transmission System and to construct the Weejay Lateral in British Columbia and Alberta.

On 31 January, WEI applied to construct approximately 108.5 kilometres (67 miles) of 406.4 millimetre (16 inch) pipeline extending the Grizzly Raw Gas Transmission System from a point in northeast British Columbia, approximately 30 kilometres (19 miles) southeast

of Tumbler Ridge, to a proposed receipt point in Alberta approximately 110 kilometres (68 miles) southwest of Grande Prairie. WEI also proposes to construct approximately 6.3 kilometres (4 miles) of 273 millimetre (10 inch) pipeline, to be known as the Weejay Lateral, from a well site in British Columbia to a tie-in point on the proposed Grizzly Extension Pipeline.

The proposed facilities will permit WEI to connect additional gas reserves in the Ojay/Weejay area of British Columbia and the Narraway area of Alberta. The estimated cost of the proposed facilities is \$64.5 million and the proposed in-service date is 1 December 2001.

As part of its application, WEI had prepared an environmental assessment document. To satisfy the requirements of the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*, the Board has determined that a comprehensive study must also be conducted for the project. The Board has delegated the responsibility for completing this study and preparing a comprehensive study report to WEI. The Board, the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency, on behalf of the Minister of Environment, and the Department of Fisheries and Ocean have prepared a scoping document for the environmental assessment.

2. *Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline Management Ltd. (M&NP) - 2001 and 2002 Tolls (File 4200-M124-1)*

On 23 March, M&NP filed an application for the approval of final tolls for the period 1 October 2000 to 31 December 2001 (Test Period 2001) and the period 1 January 2002 to 31 December 2002 (Test Period 2002).

For Test Period 2001, M&NP is requesting approval of a revenue requirement of \$177.9 million, a rate base of \$883.2 million and a rate of return on rate base of 8.41 per cent. For Test Period 2002, M&NP is requesting approval of a revenue requirement of \$146.7 million, a rate base of \$900.1 million and a rate of return on rate base of 8.25 per cent. Revenue requirement is the cost of providing service, including operating and maintenance expenses, depreciation, amortization, taxes and return on rate base. Rate base is the amount of investment on which a return is authorized to be earned. M&NP has been operating on interim tolls approved by the Board effective 1 October 2000.

3. *Georgia Strait Crossing Pipeline Limited (GSCPL) - Georgia Strait Pipeline Crossing Project (GSX Project) (File 3200-G049-1)*

On 24 April, GSCPL applied to construct and operate the Canadian portion of a natural gas pipeline from Sumas, Washington, across the ocean floor of Georgia Strait to a landfall point near Cobble Hill on Vancouver Island, interconnecting with the Centra Gas Transmission System. The proposed project is a joint undertaking by British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) and Williams Gas Pipeline Company (Williams), operating under the name of GSX.

The Canadian portion of the pipeline would originate at a point on the international border in Boundary Pass, west of the Strait of Georgia, to an interconnection with the existing Centra Gas British Columbia Inc. pipeline on Vancouver Island, south of Duncan. The Canadian portion of the pipeline would be approximately 60 kilometres (37.5 miles) in length, with approximately 44 kilometres (27.5 miles) being offshore and 16 kilometres (10 miles) onshore. The 406.4 millimetre (16 inch) diameter pipeline would be designed to initially transport 2.66 million cubic metres (94 million cubic feet) per day of natural gas. The company is proposing an in-service date of October 2003. The estimated cost of the Canadian portion of the facilities is \$100 million.

Following a request from the Board, the Minister of the Environment announced on 4 October 2000 that the proposed Georgia Strait Crossing Pipeline Project will be sent to an independent environmental assessment review panel. The Board will announce at a later time how the application will be processed.

4. *New Brunswick Power Corporation (NB Power) - Construct an International Power Line (File 2200-N088-1)*

On 31 May, NB Power applied to construct and operate a 345 kilovolt international power line (IPL) of approximately 95 kilometres (59 miles) in length running west from the Point Lepreau Peninsula through the counties of Saint John and Charlotte in New Brunswick to the international boundary near Woodland, Maine. The estimated cost of the IPL is \$40 million and NB Power expects to commence construction in the Spring of 2002. The United States portion of the project will consist of approximately 135 kilometres (84 miles) of power line running from Woodland to Orrington in Maine. Bango Hydro Electric Company is seeking state and federal approvals for the U.S. portion of the project.

5. *TransCanada PipeLines Limited (TCPL or Company) - Cost of Capital for the years 2001 and 2002 (File 4200-T001-15)*

On 6 June, TCPL applied for the approval of the cost of capital to be included in the calculation of the Company's mainline tolls for the years 2001 and 2002.

TCPL is seeking approval of an after-tax weighted-average cost of capital (ATWACC) of 7.5 per cent for 2001 and 2002, adjusted for the difference between the market cost of debt and the embedded cost of debt of the Company. The Board last considered the cost of capital of TCPL in the Multi-Pipeline Cost of Capital hearing held in 1994 (RH-2-94). Following that hearing, the Board decided that a deemed common equity ratio of 30 per cent was appropriate for TCPL. The Board also decided that the allowed rates of return on common equity for all pipelines would subsequently be adjusted annually based on the equity risk premium method. Under that formula, the Board approved, in December 2000, a rate of return on common equity of 9.61 per cent for 2001.

TCPL stated in its application that an ATWACC of 7.5 per cent equates to a rate of return of 12.5 per cent on a deemed common equity of 40 per cent. TCPL further stated that, in the event the Board declines the Company's proposed methodology, it would request that the Board establish a rate of return of 12.50 per cent on a

deemed common equity ratio of 40 per cent for the years 2001 and 2002.

Hearings Adjourned and Postponed

1. *St. Clair Pipelines (1996) Ltd. (St. Clair) - TransCanada PipeLines Limited (TCPL) - Pipeline Projects in Ontario - Canadian Millennium Pipeline Project - GH-1-2000 (Files 3200-S119-1 and 3200-T001-15)*

For more information on this matter, refer to item 1 under *Hearing Applications, Hearing Adjourned* in the June 2000 issue of the *Regulatory Agenda*.

2. *Sumas Energy 2, Inc.(SE2) - International Power Line (File 2200-S040-1)*

For more information on this matter, refer to item 1 under *Hearing Applications, Hearing Scheduled* in the February 2001 issue of the *Regulatory Agenda*.

3. *Mr. Robert A. Milne, 3336101 Ontario Limited, c.o.b. as Milne Crushing & Screening - MH-1-97*

For more information on this matter, refer to item 1 under *Hearing Applications, Hearings Postponed* in issue No. 62 of the *Regulatory Agenda* dated 1 October 1997.

4. *Crowsnest Pipeline Project - Natural Gas Pipeline*

For more information on this matter, refer to item 1 under *Hearing Applications, Hearing Application Suspended* of issue No. 63 of the *Regulatory Agenda* dated 1 January 1998.

Non Hearing Applications

Electricity Matters

Matter Completed

1. *El Paso Merchant Energy, L.P. (El Paso) - Electricity Export (File 6200-E036-1)*

On 20 June, the Board approved an application dated 11 December from El Paso for permits to export up to 1 000 megawatts of firm power and up to 5 000 gigawatt hours of firm and interruptible energy per year for a period of 10 years.

Matters Under Consideration

2. *Aquila Canada Capital and Trade Corp. (Aquila Canada) - Electricity Export (File 6200-A090-1)*

On 7 June, Aquila Canada applied for permits to export up to 1 142 megawatts of firm power and up

to 10 000 gigawatt hours of firm and interruptible energy annually for a period of 10 years.

On 22 June, the Board sent a letter to Aquila Canada requesting additional information.

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On 22 June, the Board sent a letter to Aquila requesting additional information.

4. *BP Canada Energy Company (BP) - Electricity Export (File 6200-B058-1-1)*

On 16 March, BP applied for permits to export

up to 1 000 megawatts and 5 000 gigawatt hours of combined firm power and energy annually for a period of 10 years.

On 22 June, the Board sent a letter to BP requesting additional information.

5. *Encore Energy Solutions Inc. (Encore) - Electricity Export (File 6200-E050-1)*

On 4 June, Encore applied for permits to export up to 10 541 gigawatt hours of interruptible energy and up to 6 588 gigawatt hours of short-term firm energy annually for a period of 10 years.

On 22 June, the Board sent a letter to Encore requesting additional information.

6. *Independent Electricity Market Operator of Ontario (IMO) - Electricity Export (File 6200-J027-1)*

On 15 December, IMO applied for permits to export electricity as a border accommodation to provide emergency assistance to neighbouring jurisdictions in the United States for 25 years.

On 7 February and 20 April, the Board sent letters to IMO requesting additional information.

7. *Morgan Stanley Capital Group Inc. (Morgan) - Electricity Export (File 6200-M136-1)*

On 1 May, Morgan applied for permits to export up to 2 336 000 megawatts of firm and interruptible power and 2 336 gigawatt hours per year of firm and interruptible energy for a period of 20 years.

On 22 June, the Board sent a letter to Morgan requesting additional information.

8. *PanCanadian Energy Services (PanCanadian) - Electricity Export (File 6200-P080-1)*

On 15 March, PanCanadian applied for permits to export up to 5 000 gigawatt hours of firm and interruptible energy per year for a period of 10 years.

On 22 June, the Board sent a letter to PanCanadian requesting additional information.

9. *TransCanada Power Marketing Ltd. (TransCanada) - Electricity Export (File 6200-T074-1)*

On 13 March, TransCanada applied for permits to export up to 500 megawatts firm and interruptible power per month, and 2 terawatt hours of interruptible and firm energy per year for a period of 10 years. On 22 June, the Board sent a letter to TransCanada requesting additional information.

Pipeline Matters

Matter Completed

1. *Section 58 Applications*

The Board has approved applications under section 58 of the *National Energy Board Act* involving routine pipeline facilities or the construction of Pipelines not exceeding 40 kilometres in length. See Appendix I for details of the applications approved.

Matters Under Consideration

2. *AEC Suffield Gas Pipeline Inc. - Amber Energy Inc. - Natural Gas Pipeline Construction - Ekwan Pipeline Project (File 3400-A167-1)*

For more information on this matter, refer to item 7 under *Non Hearing Applications, Pipeline Matters* in issue No. 72 of the *Regulatory Agenda* dated 1 April 2000.

3. *Ricks Nova Scotia Co. (Ricks) and AEC Oil and Gas (AEC) - Sale of the Ladyfern Pipeline (Files 3400-A081-1 and 3400-R029-2)*

On 1 March, Ricks and AEC filed a joint application for approval of the sale and purchase of Ricks' Ladyfern Pipeline to AEC. The Ladyfern Pipeline is a 12 kilometre (7.5 mile), 273.1 millimetre (10 inch) natural gas pipeline originating in northeastern British Columbia and connecting with the Nova Gas Transmission Ltd. Owl Lake South Meter Station in Alberta.

On 27 June, the Board advised the companies that until such time as additional information is provided, the application will be considered incomplete.

4. *Pouce Coupe Pipe Line Ltd. (Pouce Coupe) - Sale of Oil Pipelines (Files 3400-P123-2 and 3400-F72-1)*

On 25 July, Pouce Coupe applied for approval of the following: i) sell the Pouce Coupe pipeline to Pembina Partnership; ii) sell the Federated Pipe Lines (Northern) Ltd. (Federated) pipeline to Pembina Partnership; iii) sell both these newly acquired pipelines by Pembina Partnership to Pembina Northern LP; iv) replace the name Pouce Coupe in Board Order XO-1-89 with "Pouce Coupe as agent and general partner of Pembina Northern LP"; and v) transfer Certificate OC-42 from Federated Pipe Lines (Northern) Ltd. to "Pouce Coupe as agent and general partner of Pembina Northern LP". Pouce Coupe is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Pembina Corporation.

The Pouce Coupe facilities consists of 26 kilometres (16 miles) of 219 millimetre (eight inch) of oil

pipeline extending from Dawson Creek, British Columbia to Bay Tree, Alberta. The Federated system consists of 172 kilometres (107 miles) of 273 millimetre (10 inch) of oil pipeline extending from Taylor, British Columbia to Belloy, Alberta.

On 11 August, the Board sent a letter to Pouce Coupe requesting additional information.

5. Westcoast Energy Inc. (WEI) - Kwoen Facilities (File 3400-W005-265)

On 15 December, WEI applied for approval to construct upstream facilities in order to debottleneck the Pine River Plant, which is located 30 kilometres (18.6 miles) south of Chetwynd, British Columbia, and gas from the Grizzly Valley Raw Gas Transmission System. The applied-for facilities, which would expand raw gas deliveries to meet the Pine River Plant's initial design residue gas capability, include: (i) a booster compressor unit; (ii) an acid gas stripper facility; (iii) a 10-kilometre (6.2-mile) acid gas re-injection commodity pipeline; and, (iv) modifications to a re-injection disposal well. The proposed gas stripper facility and the booster compressor unit would be located 29 kilometres southeast of the Pine River Plant. The estimated cost of the project is \$95.5 million.

Traffic, Tolls and Tariff Matters

Matter completed

1. TransCanada PipeLines Limited 2001 Tolls Task Force Resolutions (4775-T001-1/2001)

The Board approved the following Tolls Task Force Resolutions in 2001:

No. of the Resolution	Date of Application	Date Approved	Subject of Resolution
01.2001	9 February	14 February	Extension of the Foreign Exchange and Interest Rate Management Programs
02.2001	9 March	30 March	Electronic Billing
03.2001	9 March	30 March	Capacity Allocation Report Suspension
04.2001	14 June	28 June	Tariff Amendment - Force Majeure Demand Charge Adjustments

Matter Under Consideration

2. Murphy Oil Company Ltd. (Murphy) - Milk River Pipeline - Toll Complaint (File 4775-M23-1-2)

On 25 August, PanCanadian Petroleum Limited, Alberta Energy Company Ltd., Crestar Energy Inc. and

EOTT Energy Canada Limited Partnership, collectively known as the Bow River South Group (BRS), filed a complaint concerning the tolls charged by Murphy for transportation of crude oil on the Milk River pipeline. The Milk River pipeline is a crude oil system approximately 18 kilometres (11 miles) long connecting the Home Oil Manyberries pipeline, the Bow River pipeline and a Murphy truck terminal in Alberta to the CENEX pipeline in Montana.

BRS has filed their complaint after they had been unsuccessful in obtaining a satisfactory explanation for the derivation of the tolls charged on the Milk River pipeline.

On 31 August, the Board decided to initiate a written proceeding to examine the tolls. The Board also decided that the existing tolls will, effective 1 September 2000, continue to be charged on an interim basis, pending a determination by the Board of just and reasonable tolls. On 26 September, the Board, at the request of Murphy, extended the dates for the filing of submissions.

Frontier Matters

1. *Canada Natural Resources Limited* was given approval on 13 June to suspend operations for the Ranger North Liard P-66A well pursuant to section 218 of the *Canada Oil and Gas Drilling Regulations*.
2. *Purcell Energy Ltd.* was given approval on 21 June for a Production Operations Authorization for the Liard F-25A Well Tie-in pursuant to section 9 of the *Canada Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Regulations*
3. *Geological, geophysical or geotechnical operation authorization*: six applications were approved pursuant to section 5.1(b) of the *Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act* as follow:

Company	Area	Operation ID	Date
Canadian Forest Oil Ltd.	Ft. Liard NWT	9229-C131-007E	June 11 2001
Fugro Airborne Surveys Corp.	Hay R. NWT	9221-F023-001E	June 14 2001
Talisman Energy Inc.	Liard NWT	9229-T057-001E	June 21 2001
Canadian Forest Oil Ltd.	La Biche NWT	9237-C131-003E	June 28 2001
ARCIS Partnership	Nahanni NWT	9229-A071-001P	June 29 2001
ARCIS Partnership	Liard NWT	9233-A071-001P	June 29 2001

Appeal and Review

Appeal Pending

1. *Canadian Forest Oil Limited (Canadian Forest) v Chevron Canada Resources and Ranger Oil Limited (Chevron et al.)*

For more information on this matter, refer to item 1 under the heading *Appeals* of the 31 August 2000 issue of the *Regulatory Agenda*.

Review Pending

1. *Reservoir Safety Committee (RSC) - Review of Electricity Export Permits Issued to British Columbia Power Exchange Corporation (Powerex) and British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) (File 6200-B095-4-1)*

On 17 October, RSC applied for a review of electricity export permits EPE-118 and EPE-119 issued to Powerex and permits EPE-124, EPE-125, EPE-126 and EPE-127 issued to BC Hydro. In its application, RSC stated that since 1980, 11 drowning have occurred in BC Hydro's

Carpenter Reservoir. This is a consequence of BC Hydro's refusal to provide adequate protection to workers and members of the public traveling through the Bridge River Generating Facility, located within the Carpenter Reservoir. RSC further stated that widespread citizen concern with the operation of the facility, has led to the formation of the RSC. RSC's goal is to effect significant safety related improvements to the facility. RSC requested that the Board rescind permits related to the export of electricity generated through BC Hydro's Bridge River Hydro Electric Facility until such time as the safety of workers and the traveling public can be assured.

On 19 December, the Board sent a letter to RSC advising that it will hold the application in abeyance until RSC has complied with section 44 of the National Energy Board Rules of Practice and Procedure, 1995, including notification to potentially interested persons.

Amendments to Regulations and Rules

1. *National Energy Board Pipeline Crossing Regulations, Part II - Damage Prevention Regulations (File 185-A000-36)*

For more information on this matter, refer to item 1 under *Amendments to Regulations and Rules* in the May 2001 issue of the *Regulatory Agenda*.

2. *Processing Plant Regulations (the Regulations) (File 185-A000-13)*

For more information on this matter, refer to item 2 under *Amendments to Regulations and Rules* in the May 2001 issue of the *Regulatory Agenda*.

3. *National Energy Board Rules of Practice and Procedure, 1995 (the Rules) (File 341-A000-2)*

For more information on this matter, refer to item 3 under *Amendments to Regulations and Rules* in the May 2001 issue of the *Regulatory Agenda*.

4. *Canada Oil and Gas Diving Regulations (Diving Regulations) and Guidance Notes (File 2001-1)*

For more information on this matter, refer to item 4 under *Amendments to Regulations and Rules* in the May 2001 issue of the *Regulatory Agenda*.

5. *The Canada Oil and Gas Drilling Regulations (COGDR) and the Canada Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Regulations (COGPCR) (File 0406-14)*

For more information on this matter, refer to item 5 under *Amendments to Regulations and Rules* in the May 2001 issue of the *Regulatory Agenda*.

6. *Regulations and Guidance Notes Pertaining to Canada Labour Code, Part II*

For more information on this matter, refer to item 6 under *Amendments to Regulations and Rules* in the May 2001 issue of the *Regulatory Agenda*.

Administrative Matters

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Appendix I

Section 58 Applications

Gas Pipelines

Applicant	File/Order	Application	Est. Cost
Sable Offshore Energy Inc.	File: 3400-S165-1 Order: XG-S165-16-2001	Application dated 15 May; approved on 21 June. Construct temporary facilities for the reclamation of Mono Ethylene Glycol at the Goldboro Gas Plant.	394 000
TransCanada PipeLines Limited	File: 3400-T001-190 Order: XG-T001-15-2001	Application dated 16 April; approved on 13 June. Nine projects.	14 367 000

Oil Pipelines

Applicant	File/Order	Application	Est. Cost
Enbridge Pipelines Ind.	File: 3400-E101-30 Order: XO-E101-16-2001	Application dated 20 November; approved on 25 June. Remove a valve and lower line 13 at the Mildren Station.	164 000
Trans Mountain Pipe Line Company Ltd.	File: 3400-T004-77 Order: XO-T004-15-2001	Application dated 10 April; approved on 14 June. Construct a Control Centre building at the Edmonton Terminal.	1 500 000

Profile

The National Energy Board is a federal regulatory tribunal that was created on 2 November 1959 by an Act of Parliament.

The Board's regulatory powers under the *National Energy Board Act* include the granting of authorizations for the exportation of oil, natural gas and electricity, the certification of interprovincial and international pipelines and designated interprovincial and international power lines, and the setting of tolls and tariffs for oil and gas pipelines under federal jurisdiction.

In addition to its regulatory functions, the Board is responsible for advising the government on the development and use of energy resources.

The Act also requires that the Board keep under review the Canadian supply of all major energy commodities, with emphasis on electricity, oil,

natural gas, and the by-products derived from oil and natural gas, as well as the demand for Canadian energy in Canada and in export markets.

The Board's responsibilities under the *Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act* and certain provisions of the *Canada Petroleum Resources Act* encompass the regulation of exploration for and the development and production of oil and gas on Frontier Lands in a manner that promotes safety of the worker, protection of the environment, and conservation of hydrocarbon resources.

The Board also has specific responsibilities under the *Northern Pipeline Act* and the *Energy Administration Act*. In addition, Board inspectors have been appointed safety officers by Human Resources Development Canada to administer Part II of the *Canada Labour Code*.

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