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APPLICATION OF TRANSCANADA PIPELINES LIMITED
FOR A LONG TERM AUTHORIZATION TO
IMPORT AND EXPORT NATURAL GAS FROM AND TO CANADA

Pursuant to Section 3 of the Natural Gas Act ("NGA"), 15 U.S.C. § 717b and 10 C.F.R. § 590, TransCanada PipeLines Limited ("TransCanada") hereby submits to the United States of America Department of Energy, Office of Fossil Energy ("DOE/FE") this application for a long term authorization to import and export natural gas from and to Canada. In support of this application, TransCanada respectfully shows as follows:

I.
GENERAL

The name, title, and mailing address of the person who should be served with communications concerning this proceeding is:

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II.
BACKGROUND

The exact legal name of the Applicant and its principal place of business is:

TransCanada Pipelines Limited
450 1st Street SW
Calgary, Alberta
Canada T2P 5H1
Tel: (403) 920 2000

TransCanada is a Canadian public company incorporated in 1951 by a Special Act of the Parliament of Canada and continued on June 1, 1979 under the *Canada Business Corporations Act*. All of the common shares in TransCanada are held by TransCanada Corporation. TransCanada Corporation is a holding company created under a plan of arrangement approved by TCPL's common shareholders on April 25, 2003 and subsequently by the Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta, Canada. TransCanada is a leading North American energy company with a natural gas transmission network in Canada and the U.S. comprising over 25,000 miles of pipeline.

III. AUTHORIZATION REQUESTED

TransCanada was authorized by DOE/FE Order No. 795 on April 30, 1993 to import and export up to 1,405,000 million cubic feet per day ("Mmcf/d") of natural gas from and to Canada beginning on April 30, 1993 and extending through November 1, 2005. Order 795-A, issued 16, 1999, authorized an increase in volume to 1,717,000 Mmcf/d. Renegotiation of the underlying transportation contracts resulted in multiple contracts for varying terms. As a result, TransCanada is concurrently making four applications for blanket and long term authorizations to permit the import and subsequent export of gas from and to Canada.

In this Application TransCanada requests a long term authorization to import up to 78.8 Mmcf/d for a period of four years commencing November 1, 2005 and extending through to October 31, 2009¹. The gas will enter the United States at the interconnection between the TransCanada PipeLines system and the Great Lakes Gas Transmission System ("Great Lakes") at a point near Emerson, Manitoba and leave the United States at the international border near St. Clair, Michigan.

IV. PUBLIC INTEREST

TransCanada's proposed import and export of natural gas continues to be consistent with the public interest. Section 3(c) of the NGA provides that imports from, or exports to, countries that have in effect a Free Trade Agreement with the United States requiring

¹ See Transportation Service Agreement FT4762 ("Transportation Agreement") attached as Exhibit B.

national treatment for trade in natural gas "shall be deemed to be consistent with the public interest and applications for importation or exportation shall be granted without modification or delay."² The United States and Canada are parties to a Free Trade Agreement that requires each party to provide national treatment to the goods of the other party. Therefore, imports from Canada and exports to Canada, as proposed herein, are deemed consistent with the public interest.

V. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

No new facilities will be constructed in the United States for the proposed importation and exportation of natural gas. Consequently, granting this application will not be a federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment within the meaning of the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 U.S.C. § 4321, *et seq.* Therefore, an environmental impact statement or environmental assessment is not required.

VI. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

With respect to all imports and exports made pursuant to the authorization requested herein, TransCanada will undertake to file with the DOE/FE within 30 days following each calendar month a report indicating whether imports and/or exports have been made describing the country of origin, point(s) of entry or exit, volumes delivered/exported and the country of destination. In addition, in the month following the close of each calendar quarter, reports indicating by month whether imports or exports have occurred, and if so, the details of each transaction, including the total volumes of imports and exports in Mcf and the average price for the imports and exports per MMBtu at the international border. The reports shall include the name of the seller, the name of the purchaser, the estimated or actual duration of the agreements, the name of the U.S. transporter(s), the point of entry or point of exit, whether the sales are made on an interruptible or firm basis, and, if applicable, the per unit (MMBtu) demand/commodity charge breakdown of the contract price.

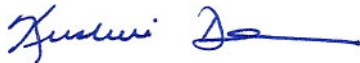
² 15 U.S.C. § 717(b) (1996).

VII.
CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons TransCanada respectfully requests that its authorization be granted to import and export up to a total of 78.8 Mmcf/d of natural gas from and to Canada extending from November 1, 2005 to October 31, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

ON BEHALF OF TRANSCANADA PIPELINES
LIMITED

By 

Kristine Delkus
Vice President, Law – Gas Transmission
TransCanada PipeLines Limited
450 1st Street SW
Calgary, Alberta T2P 5H1
(403) 920 2161

September 23rd, 2005

VERIFICATION

I, Kristine Delkus, hereby certify that I am counsel for TransCanada PipeLines Limited and have authority to sign the foregoing; and that to the best of my knowledge, information and belief the import and export of natural gas is within the corporate powers of TransCanada Pipelines Limited; and that to the best of my knowledge, information and belief TransCanada Pipelines Limited has complied with State laws and regulatory authorities.

Dated at Calgary, Alberta, Canada, this 23rd day of September, 2005.



Kristine Delkus

Exhibit B
Transportation Agreement FT4762



TRANSPORTATION SERVICE AGREEMENT
Contract Identification FT4762

This Transportation Service Agreement (Agreement) is entered into by Great Lakes Gas Transmission Limited Partnership (Transporter) and TRANSCANADA PIPELINES LIMITED (Shipper).

WHEREAS, Shipper has requested Transporter to transport Gas on its behalf and Transporter represents that it is willing to transport Gas under the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, Transporter and Shipper agree that the terms below constitute the transportation service to be provided and the rights and obligations of Shipper and Transporter.

1. **CONTRACT DATE:** November 04, 2004
2. **CONTRACT IDENTIFICATION:** FT4762
3. **RATE SCHEDULE:** FT
4. **SHIPPER TYPE:** Other
5. **STATE/PROVINCE OF INCORPORATION:** Canada
6. **TERM:** November 01, 2005 to October 31, 2009

Transporter and Shipper agree that Shipper may extend the primary term of this Agreement by exercising a contractual Right of First Refusal, pursuant to the procedures set forth in Section 16 of the General Terms and Conditions of Transporter's FERC Gas Tariff.

7. **EFFECT ON PREVIOUS CONTRACTS:**
This Agreement supersedes, cancels and terminates, as of the effective date stated above, the following contract(s): N/A
8. **MAXIMUM DAILY QUANTITY (Dth/Day):** 80,000
Please see Appendix A for further detail.
9. **RATES:**
Unless Shipper and Transporter have agreed to a Discounted Rate, pursuant to Section 19.2 of the General Terms and Conditions, or to a Negotiated Rate, pursuant to Section 4.5 of the Rate Schedule named above, rates shall be Transporter's maximum rates and charges plus all applicable surcharges in effect from time to time under the applicable Rate Schedule (as stated above) on file with the Commission unless otherwise agreed to by the parties in writing. Provisions governing a Discounted Rate shall be set forth in this Paragraph 9. Provisions governing a Negotiated Rate shall be set forth on Appendix B hereto.

Shipper and Transporter agree that for service under this Agreement from the point(s) of receipt listed on Appendix A to the point(s) of delivery listed on Appendix A, the Reservation Fee to be charged shall be \$9.673.

10. **POINTS OF RECEIPT AND DELIVERY:**

APPENDIX A
Contract Identification FT4762

Date: November 04, 2004
Supersedes Appendix Dated: Not Applicable

Shipper: TRANSCANADA PIPELINES LIMITED

Maximum Daily Quantity (Dth/Day) per Location:

<u>Begin Date</u>	<u>End Date</u>	<u>Point(s) of Primary Receipt</u>	<u>Point(s) of Primary Delivery</u>	<u>MDQ</u>	<u>(MAOP)</u>
11/01/2005	10/31/2009	EMERSON		80,000	974
11/01/2005	10/31/2009		ST. CLAIR	80,000	974