

STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter of)	
DTM MICHIGAN GATHERING COMPANY's)	
application requesting ex parte approval of)	Case No. U-21406
a firm service for transportation on the)	
Antrim Expansion Project.)	
_____)	

At the September 28, 2023 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing,
Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. Daniel C. Scripps, Chair
Hon. Katherine L. Peretick, Commissioner
Hon. Alessandra R. Carreon, Commissioner

ORDER

On April 14, 2023, DTM Michigan Gathering Company (DGC) filed an application, with supporting testimony and exhibits, pursuant to Section 10 of Public Act 9 of 1929, MCL 483.110, requesting *ex parte* approval of a proposed firm gas transportation service as reflected in the gas transportation agreement (agreement) dated March 29, 2023, between DGC¹ and DTE Gas Company (DTE Gas) (i.e., the shipper in the agreement attached to the application as Exhibit A-2).

In its application, DTM Gathering states that it owns and operates the Antrim Expansion Project (AEP), a pipeline expansion project approved by the Commission in Case No. U-10547, and entered into the agreement with DTE Gas on March 29, 2023, offering DTE Gas

¹ In the application, the applicant is referred to as DGC; however, in the agreement attached to the application, the applicant is referred to as DTM Gathering. In this matter, DGC and DTM Gathering are thus one and the same. *See*, Application, p. 1; Exhibit A-2, p. 4.

transportation service on a firm basis until 100% of the capacity of the AEP is subscribed, at which point service will then be offered on an interruptible basis. Per the application, “[t]he service offering in the Agreement will allow shippers to receive firm service by paying a demand charge for their desired capacity level,” which differs from DGC’s prior offerings by “allow[ing] a shipper on the AEP to receive firm service if the shipper does not have any gas production or reserves available to dedicate or may desire to have service in excess of the volume that such dedicated reserves would otherwise provide.” Application, p. 2.

The application indicates that the agreement reflects terms that DGC and DTE Gas “mutually agreed would be beneficial to DGC’s operation of the AEP system” and terms that “would be financially and administratively attractive to other similarly situated shippers.” *Id.*; *see also, id.*, pp. 2-3; Exhibit A-2, p. 47.

DGC seeks Commission approval of the agreement with DTE Gas and any future similarly situated shippers, thereby creating an alternative method for shippers on the AEP to obtain firm transportation services. DGC avers that approval of this application “will not result in any change to the cost of transportation services for other existing shippers on the AEP system because there is a single rate for transportation service” and that, because no other customer’s rates, level of service, or charges will change or increase, the Commission is thus empowered to approve the application without notice or hearing pursuant to statute and as deemed lawful per case law. Application, p. 3.

The Commission has reviewed the application, with attached testimony and exhibits, and finds that the application is reasonable, is in the public interest, and should be approved. As the proposed firm gas transportation service will not result in an increase in the cost of service to customers, the Commission finds *ex parte* review and approval of the application to be appropriate

and authorized pursuant to MCL 460.6a(3). Further, as applicable to DTE Gas, the Commission Staff and intervenors will have an opportunity to assess the reasonableness of the rate paid by DTE Gas under this agreement in future gas cost recovery proceedings. *See*, MCL 460.6h.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that DTM Michigan Gathering Company's application requesting *ex parte* approval of a proposed firm gas transportation service, as reflected in the gas transportation agreement attached to the application, is approved.

The Commission reserves jurisdiction and may issue further orders as necessary.

Any party desiring to appeal this order must do so in the appropriate court within 30 days after issuance and notice of this order, pursuant to MCL 462.26. To comply with the Michigan Rules of Court's requirement to notify the Commission of an appeal, appellants shall send required notices to both the Commission's Executive Secretary and to the Commission's Legal Counsel.

Electronic notifications should be sent to the Executive Secretary at mpscedockets@michigan.gov and to the Michigan Department of Attorney General - Public Service Division at pungpl@michigan.gov. In lieu of electronic submissions, paper copies of such notifications may be sent to the Executive Secretary and the Attorney General - Public Service Division at 7109 W. Saginaw Hwy., Lansing, MI 48917.

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Daniel C. Scripps, Chair

Katherine L. Peretick, Commissioner

Alessandra R. Carreon, Commissioner

By its action of September 28, 2023.

Lisa Felice, Executive Secretary


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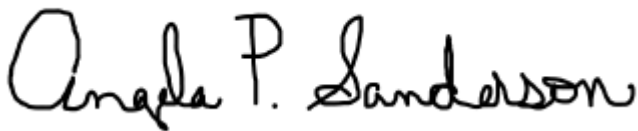
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County of Ingham)

Brianna Brown being duly sworn, deposes and says that on September 28, 2023 A.D. she electronically notified the attached list of this **Commission Order via e-mail transmission**, to the persons as shown on the attached service list (Listserv Distribution List).


Brianna Brown

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 28th day of September 2023.



Angela P. Sanderson
Notary Public, Shiawassee County, Michigan
As acting in Eaton County
My Commission Expires: May 21, 2024

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