

NOTICE OF FILING AND ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP AND NORTH HANOVER TOWNSHIP IN BURLINGTON COUNTY, UPPER FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP IN MONMOUTH COUNTY, AND PLUMSTED TOWNSHIP, JACKSON TOWNSHIP, AND MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP IN OCEAN COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY FOR A DETERMINATION CONCERNING THE SOUTHERN RELIABILITY LINK PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40:55D-19 AND N.J.S.A. 48:9-25.4, DOCKET NO. GO15040403

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF NEW JERSEY NATURAL GAS COMPANY FOR APPROVAL AND AUTHORIZATION TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE THE SOUTHERN RELIABILITY LINK PURSUANT TO N.J.A.C. 14:7-1.4, DOCKET NO. GE15040402

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on April 2, 2015, as amended on June 5, 2015, New Jersey Natural Gas Company (“NJNG”) filed a Petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (“Board”) requesting that the Board issue an Order pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:7-1.4 approving and authorizing the installation and operation of the Southern Reliability Link Project (the “Project”), a new 30-inch natural gas transmission pipeline, which will have a maximum allowable operating pressure of 722 psig. The Project will be an approximate 30 mile pipeline with an alignment that runs through the Townships of Chesterfield, North Hanover, Upper Freehold, Plumsted, Jackson, and Manchester. The Project will reinforce NJNG’s existing transmission infrastructure by providing an alternate supply line to maintain system pressure in the event of a supply interruption or system failure in the existing interstate or NJNG pipeline supply system.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that on April 2, 2015, as amended on June 5, 2015, NJNG filed a Petition with the Board requesting and (1) that the Board issue an Order pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-19 determining that the construction of the Project is reasonably necessary for the service, convenience or welfare of the public; (2) specifically finding that the Zoning and Land Use Ordinances and all regulations promulgated thereto by the Burlington, Monmouth and Ocean Counties, and the Townships of Chesterfield, North Hanover, Upper Freehold, Plumsted, Jackson and Manchester shall have no application to the Project; and (3) designating the route through North Hanover and Chesterfield as described in the Petitions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:9-25.4.

NO CHANGE IN RATES WILL RESULT AT THIS TIME, HOWEVER NJNG RETAINS THE RIGHT TO SEEK RECOVERY OF COSTS IN RATES AT A FUTURE PROCEEDING

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Board will conduct an additional public hearing for the purpose of receiving additional comments from the public regarding the

Petitions. NJNG previously published notice for a July 28, 2015 public hearing. The additional public hearing will be held at the following time and location:

Wednesday, August 26, 2015, 6:00 p.m.
The Enterprise Center
Rowan College at Burlington County
3331 Route 38
Mt. Laurel, NJ 08054

A representative of the Board will preside at the hearing. The public is invited to attend and interested persons will be permitted to testify and/or make a statement of their views on the proposed petitions. In order to encourage full participation in this opportunity for public comment, please submit any requests for needed accommodations, including interpreter, listening devices, or mobility assistance, at least 48 hours prior to the hearing, to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below. Interested parties may also submit comments regarding the petitions to the attention of Honorable Irene Kim Asbury, Secretary, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, 44 South Clinton Street, 9th Floor, P.O. Box 350, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0350. Comments, if any, should be identified with the heading "In the Matter of the Petition of New Jersey Natural Gas Company for Approval and Authorization to Construct and Operate the Southern Reliability Link Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:7-1.4, Docket No. GE15040402.; In the Matter of the Petition of New Jersey Natural Gas Company for a Determination Concerning the Southern Reliability Link Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-19 and N.J.S.A. 48:9-25.4, Docket No. GO15040403."

A copy of this notice is being served upon the Clerks of the Townships of Chesterfield, North Hanover, Upper Freehold, Plumsted, Jackson, and Manchester, the Clerks of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of Burlington, Monmouth, and Ocean Counties, and property owners and residents within 100 feet of the pipeline alignment. Copies of the Petition are available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Board's office at 44 South Clinton Avenue, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, and online at <http://www.njng.com/about/southern-reliability-link/index.asp>.

New Jersey Natural Gas Company