

February 14, 2025

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426

Attention: Ms. Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary

Re: El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.; Docket No. CP24-520-000 <u>Responses to Data Request - OEP/DG2E/Gas Branch 2</u>

Dear Ms. Reese:

On February 12, 2025, El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C. ("EPNG") received a data request ("Data Request") from the Office of Energy Projects ("OEP") seeking information pertaining to the proposed Maricopa Lateral Expansion Project. EPNG is herein filing its response with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("Commission").

## Description of Proceeding

On September 17, 2024, EPNG submitted a Request for Prior Notice Authorization Pursuant to Blanket Certificate in the above-referenced docket seeking authorization to construct, install and operate a new compressor station and appurtenances to be located in Yavapai County, Arizona as part of its Maricopa Lateral Expansion Project.

## **Description of Information Being Filing**

EPNG is herein submitting its response to Question No. 1 of the Data Request. EPNG requires additional time to finalize its response to Question No. 2 and anticipates providing by no later than February 19, 2025.

## Filing Information

EPNG is e-Filing this letter and its response with the Commission's Secretary in accordance with the Commission's Order No. 703, *Filing Via the Internet*, guidelines issued on November 15, 2007 in Docket No. RM07-16-000.

Respectfully submitted,

EL PASO NATURAL GAS COMPANY, L.L.C.

By /s/ Francisco Tarin Director, Regulatory

Enclosures Cc: Ms. Sareh Poormahdi, OEP

### El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C. Maricopa Lateral Expansion Project, Docket No. CP24-520-000 February 12, 2025 Environmental Information Request

#### General

1. Confirm and respond to the comments filed on February 11, 2025 by Mr. Fusari, under accession number 20250211-5115.

#### Response:

El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C. ("EPNG") confirms that it met with a number of landowners, including Mr. Frank Fusari, on February 3, 2025 to discuss the location of the Haystack Compressor Station.

EPNG values its relationships with landowners and is committed to working collaboratively with all stakeholders. As part of that commitment, EPNG has engaged with landowners to better understand and address concerns raised regarding the location of the proposed compressor station. During the discussions with landowners on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, EPNG confirms that it agreed to further evaluate the feasibility of an alternative site for the compressor station located approximately 2.6 miles north of the Haystack Ranches Community's northern boundary on lands managed by the Arizona State Land Department (the "North Site").

EPNG has previously detailed how the environmental impacts associated with the North Site are more significant than those of the originally proposed site (the "Preferred Site"). See Table 1, "Alternative Site Analysis", attached to the EPNG Data Response filed in this docket on January 29, 2025 (Accession No. 20250129-5036). Consistent with its commitment to landowners during the February 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, EPNG nonetheless is undertaking a further assessment to determine whether appropriate mitigation measures could be implemented to make the North Site viable.

EPNG will be issuing a written communication to affected landowners by no later than February 17, 2025, detailing its commitment to further assess the North Site. EPNG will update this response after that communication has been sent to landowners.

EPNG appreciates the Commission's ongoing review of its application and respectfully requests that the Commission continue to process its pending application, as requested in EPNG's answer filed on January 10, 2025 (Accession No. 20250110-5377) for the Preferred Site while EPNG continues its engagement with landowners.

Response prepared by or under the supervision of:

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#### Resource Report 9: Air Quality and Noise

2. Update table 9.1-5 and indicate whether EPNG would install any blowdown facilities at the Haystack Compressor Station, describe the expected types (e.g., individual unit, full station, capped), estimate the average number of yearly blowdowns by type, and the amount of gas released per event type quantified in tons as methane and as greenhouse gases (GHGs) in carbon dioxide equivalent (CO2e). Indicate whether the blowdown would be installed with a silencer and estimate the noise impact at the nearest noise sensitive areas (NSA).

#### Response:

EPNG is finalizing this response and anticipates providing no later than February 19, 2025.

Response prepared by or under the supervision of:

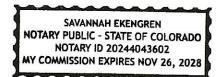
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WILLIAM D. WIBLE, being first duly sworn, on oath, says that he is the Vice President of the Regulatory Department of El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.; that he has read the foregoing Responses filed on February 14, 2025, to the Office of Energy Projects' Data Request dated February 12, 2025 in Docket No. CP24-520-000, that as such he is authorized to verify the Responses, that he is familiar with the contents thereof; and that the matters and facts set forth therein are true to the best of his information, knowledge and belief.

William D. Wible Vice President, Regulatory

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me, the undersigned authority, on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.

Savannah Ekengren Notary Public, State of Colorado My Commission Expires: November 26, 2028



# **Certificate of Service**

I hereby certify that I have this day caused a copy of the foregoing documents to be served upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Commission's Secretary in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of Section 385.2010 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado as of this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.

/s/ Francisco Tarin

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