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### Natural Gas Pipeline Customers Seek More Detailed Annual Reporting

(Washington, D.C.) ... The Natural Gas Supply Association (NGSA) joined today with a coalition of other pipeline customer groups to urge the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to require more detailed annual reporting by the interstate natural gas transmission companies.

"Overall, the interstate pipelines do a great job of complying with FERC's annual Form 2 requirements," said NGSA Chairman William L. Transier. "We look forward to continuing to work with FERC and all of the industry segments to achieve our mutual goals of improved transparency and enhanced public confidence in the energy marketplace."

Joining with NGSA in a joint filing at FERC were the American Public Gas Association, the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers, the Independent Petroleum Association of America and the Process Gas Consumers. Together, the coalition represents major and independent suppliers of natural gas in the both the United States and Canada, more than 594 municipal and publicly owned distribution systems in 36 states, and major industrial customers that use more than half a trillion cubic feet (Tcf) of natural gas annually.

According to the coalition, "only minimal changes" are needed in the pipelines' annual reporting "to substantially improve the industry's ability to accurately assess this data." As part of its filing, it submitted a list of specific recommendations and potential enhancements.

"Many of the needed improvements only involve creating breakouts that merely separate cost-of-service components from non-cost-of-service components, rather than forcing the use of subjective judgment to determine what portions relate solely to the jurisdictional rates of the regulated companies," the coalition said in its comments.

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“If adopted, these enhancements will substantially improve the quality of the information provided in those reports, which are the primary source of the information available to industry participants to assess the adequacy of natural gas pipeline rates,” Transier said.

*NGSA represents integrated and independent companies that produce and market natural gas in the United States. NGSA is actively involved in pursuing regulatory and legislative issues that affect the association's members. Established in 1965, NGSA encourages expanded use of natural gas and supports regulatory and legislative actions that foster competitive markets.*

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