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# **SERVICE CLASSIFICATION NO. 7**

# FIRM GAS TRANSPORTATION SERVICE FOR DISTRIBUTED GENERATION FACILITIES < 50 MW (Cont'd)

# Retail Access Capacity Program (Cont'd)

### B) Capacity to Be Released

Capacity to be released between Dawn and Mendon shall include transportation capacity on TransCanada PipeLine Limited (TCPL), Empire State Pipeline Transportation (Empire Transportation), and Empire State Pipeline Storage (Empire Storage) to meet the demands of a customers peak day.

To accommodate for the difference in released assets between Empire and TCPL, the ESCO must demonstrate it has non-recallable primary point capacity from the Dawn Hub to the citygate for its customers, or a firm supply contract with a reliable counterparty for delivery to Empire at Chippawa or a point downstream of Chippawa.

TCPL, Empire State Pipeline Transportation (Empire Transportation), and Empire State Pipeline Storage (Empire Storage) assets shall be termed "Empire Capacity".

Capacity to be released between Southpoint and Caledonia shall include transportation and storage capacity on DTI. These assets shall be termed "DTI Capacity".

The total capacity available for release may be sufficient to meet the design day load, as adjusted for reliability capacity requirements (as specified in General information Rule 4H(13) of this Schedule) of all Customers eligible for service under this service classification, as determined from time to time by the Company, as well as to meet the operational design requirements of the Company's distribution system. References to "release" of capacity are intended to include all transfers to ESCOs of rights and obligations pertaining to capacity held by the Company unless the context requires otherwise.

### C) Methodology for Release

The Company shall release transportation and storage capacity on both the Empire and DTI systems to ESCOs serving customers under this service classification based on winter season design day requirements, as adjusted for reliability capacity requirements (as specified in General information Rule 4H(13) of this Schedule) of the retail load served by each ESCO, as calculated by the Company. The allocation methodology shall provide for the Company's operational distribution system requirements, including, but not limited to, maintaining the appropriate ratio of Empire deliveries to DTI deliveries to ensure system integrity.

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