

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
OF THE STATE OF OREGON

IN THE MATTER OF)	STIPULATED AGREEMENT AND
Gas Transmission Northwest LLC)	FINAL ORDER
Compressor Station #12)	
)	ORDER NO. 09-0084
Permittee.)	

Permittee, Gas Transmission Northwest LLC, and the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) hereby agree that:

WHEREAS:

1. Permittee operates a natural gas compressor station located at US Highway 97, 19 miles south of Bend in Bend, Oregon (the Facility).

2. On July 9, 1996, DEQ issued Title V Operating Permit No. 09-0084-TV-01 (the Permit) to Permittee.

3. On August 10, 2017, DEQ renewed the Permit.

4. The Permit authorizes Permittee to discharge air contaminants associated with its operation of the Facility in conformance with the requirements, limitations, and conditions set forth in the Permit.

5. As of December 31, 2017, the Permit had the following plant site emissions limit (PSEL) for sulfur dioxide (SO₂), particulate matter of ten microns or less (PM₁₀), and nitrogen oxides (NO_x), which constitute round II regional haze pollutants, *see* OAR 340-223-0020(2) at the Facility: 39 tons per year for SO₂, 14 tons per year for PM₁₀, and 377 tons per year for NO_x.

6. The Facility is located 30.4 kilometers from the Three Sisters Wilderness Area, which is the nearest Class I Area, *see* OAR 340-200-0020(25), measured in a straight line from the Facility to the Class I Area.

7. Based on the definitions and the formula in OAR 340-223-0100(2) the Facility's Q value is 430; d value is 30.4, and ratio of Q divided by d is 14.1.

8. Because the Facility has a Title V operating permit and because the Facility has a Q/d value of greater than 5.00, the Facility is subject to the requirements of round II of regional haze. *See* OAR 340-223-0100(1).

9. Rather than complying with OAR 340-223-0110(1), the Facility would like to enter into a Stipulated Agreement with DEQ for alternative compliance with round II of regional haze and would like to accept federally enforceable reductions of combined plant site emission limits of round II regional haze pollutants to bring the Facility's Q/d below 5.00 which DEQ shall incorporate into a Final Order. *See* OAR 340-223-0110(2)(b)(A).

I. AGREEMENT

1. DEQ issues this Stipulated Agreement and Final Order (SAFO) pursuant to OAR 340-223-0110(2)(b)(A), and it shall be effective upon the date fully executed.

2. The Facility is subject to round II of regional haze, according to OAR 340-223-0100(1).

3. The Permittee agrees to and will ensure compliance with the PSEL reductions schedule in Section II of this SAFO.

4. The PSEL reductions required by this SAFO shall not be banked, credited, or otherwise accessed by Permittee for use in future permitting actions.

5. PSELs for this Facility shall not exceed the limits established in this SAFO except as approved in accordance with applicable state and federal permitting regulations.

6. The Permittee shall calculate compliance with the PSELs in Section II of this SAFO according to the requirements of the Permit.

7. DEQ shall incorporate this SAFO and the conditions in Section II below into the Permit pursuant to 340-218-0200(1)(a)(A), if applicable, or upon permit renewal.

8. DEQ may submit this SAFO to the Environmental Protection Agency as part of the State Implementation Plan under the federal Clean Air Act.

9. Permittee waives any and all rights and objections Permittee may have to the form, content, manner of service, and timeliness of this SAFO and to a contested case hearing and judicial

1 review of the SAFO.

2 10. In the event EPA does not accept DEQ's Round II Regional Haze State
3 Implementation Plan (SIP) in any manner that impacts the final order, implementation of the Final
4 Order shall be stayed until DEQ and the Permittee shall negotiate modifications to the Final Order
5 in such a manner as to ensure compliance with the Round II Regional Haze SIP.

6 11. This SAFO shall be binding on Permittee and its respective successors, agents, and
7 assigns. The undersigned representative of Permittee certifies that he, she, or they are fully
8 authorized to execute and bind Permittee to this SAFO. No change in ownership, corporate, or
9 partnership status of Permittee, or change in the ownership of the properties or businesses affected
10 by this SAFO shall in any way alter Permittee's obligation under this SAFO, unless otherwise
11 approved in writing by DEQ through an amendment to this SAFO.

12 12. If any event occurs that is beyond Permittee's reasonable control and that causes a
13 deviation in performance of the requirements of this SAFO, Permittee must notify DEQ as soon as
14 possible via email and follow up with a phone call providing verbally the cause of delay or
15 deviation and its anticipated duration, the measures that Permittee has or will take to prevent or
16 minimize the delay or deviation, and the timetable by which Permittee proposes to carry out such
17 measures. Permittee shall confirm in writing this information within five (5) business days of the
18 onset of the event. It is Permittee's responsibility in the written notification to demonstrate that the
19 delay or deviation has been caused by circumstances beyond the control and despite due diligence
20 of Permittee. If Permittee so demonstrates, DEQ may extend times of performance of related
21 activities under this SAFO as appropriate. Circumstances or events beyond Permittee's control
22 include, but are not limited to, extreme and unforeseen acts of nature, unforeseen strikes, work
23 stoppages, fires, explosion, riot, sabotage, or war. Increased cost of performance or a consultant's
24 failure to provide timely reports are not considered circumstances beyond Permittee's control.

25 13. Facsimile or scanned signatures on this SAFO shall be treated the same as original
26 signatures.

II. FINAL ORDER

The DEQ hereby enters a final order requiring Permittee to comply with the following schedule and conditions:

1. The Permittee shall comply with the PSELs according to the following schedule:

a. On August 1, 2022, the Permittee's PSELs for the following pollutants are:

i. 12.7 tons per year for PM10; 317.1 tons per year for NOx; and 30.4 tons per year for SO2.

b. On August 1, 2023, the Permittee's PSELs for the following pollutants are:

i. 11.4 tons per year for PM10; 257.2 tons per year for NOx; and 21.7 tons per year for SO2.

c. On August 1, 2024, the Permittee's PSELs for the following pollutants are:

i. 10.2 tons per year for PM10; 197.3 tons per year for NOx; and 13.1 tons per year for SO2.


d. On August 1, 2025, the Permittee's PSELs for the following pollutants are:

i. 8.9 tons per year for PM10; 137.4 tons per year for NOx; and 4.4 tons per year for SO2.

GAS TRANSMISSION NORTHWEST LLC
(PERMITTEE)

August 9, 2021

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY and
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August 9, 2021

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on behalf of DEQ pursuant to OAR 340-223-0110(2)