



DEPARTMENT ORDER

**Granite State Gas Transmission, Inc.**  
**York County**  
**South Berwick, Maine**  
**A-1159-71-B-T**

**Departmental**  
**Findings of Fact and Order**  
**Air Emission License**  
**Transfer**

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

After review of the file and related materials submitted with regard to the above noted application, pursuant to Title 38, Maine Revised Statutes (M.R.S.) § 590 and 06-096 Code of Maine Rules (C.M.R.) ch. 115, the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (the Department) finds the following facts:

**I. Registration**

Granite State Gas Transmission, Inc. (GSGT) has requested the transfer of certain equipment addressed in Air Emission License A-1159-71-A-N from Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C. (M&N) to Granite State Gas Transmission, Inc. through a letter to the Department dated June 29, 2023. Air Emission License A-1159-71-A-N was issued to M&N on March 2, 2022. The facility is a natural gas metering and regulating facility.

All rules, regulations, or statutes referenced in this air emission license refer to the amended version in effect as of the issued date of this license.

**II. Transfer Requirements**

A. Title, Right, or Interest

In their application, GSGT submitted a copy of the signed and executed operating and maintenance agreement between M&N and GSGT. This agreement requires M&N to obtain all permits, purchase all equipment, and complete construction of the facility. It further requires GSGT to operate and maintain the following licensed equipment after initial construction and commissioning is completed.

**Boilers**

<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Max. Rated Thermal Input Capacity (MMBtu/hr)</b>	<b>Maximum Firing Rate (scf/hr)</b>	<b>Fuel Type</b>	<b>Date of Install.</b>
Boiler #1	3.0	2,940	Natural Gas	2022
Boiler #2	3.0	2,940		2022
Boiler #3	3.0	2,940		2022
Boiler #4	3.0	2,940		2022

### Stationary Engines

Equipment	Max. Rated Thermal Input Capacity (MMBtu/hr)	Rated Output Capacity (HP)	Maximum Firing Rate (scf/hr)	Fuel Type	Date of Install.
Generator #1	1.0	103	1,013	Natural Gas	2022

Air Emission License A-1159-71-A-N also addressed the operation and maintenance of a filter/separator vessel and facility piping, including venting of natural gas for maintenance activities or any other reason. The filter/separator vessel and venting of emissions from facility piping associated with the filter/separator, measurement equipment, and inlet facility piping will continue to be operated and maintained by M&N and will no longer be considered part of this licensed facility. GSGT will continue to be responsible for any venting of the facility piping associated with the facility's heating equipment and pressure control system.

Substantial mechanical completion of the facility occurred on November 30, 2022, and full commercial operations were achieved on January 11, 2023. The parties have provided sufficient evidence of title, right, or interest in the facility to allow the transfer of the facility's air emission license for the equipment specified above.

#### B. Technical Capacity and Intent

GSGT operates several similar facilities throughout Maine and New England. The facility's regulatory history with the Department demonstrates that the environmental personnel are competent in air pollution control. The information submitted in the application provides sufficient evidence that GSGT has the technical capacity and intent to comply with their air emission license.

#### C. Full Name and Address

The full name and address of the new owner is:

Granite State Gas Transmission, Inc.  
6 Liberty Lane West  
Hampton, NH 03842

#### D. Certification

GSGT certifies that there will be no increase in air emissions beyond that provided for in the existing licenses, either in quantity or type.

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**ORDER**

Based on the above, the Department concludes that the applicant for the air emission license transfer has the capacity to satisfy all applicable statutory criteria and hereby APPROVES the transfer of Air Emission License A-1159-71-A-N, from M&N to GSGT, subject to all conditions attached to it and the following conditions.

Severability. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this License Transfer or part thereof shall not affect the remainder of the provision or any other provisions. This License Transfer shall be construed and enforced in all respects as if such invalid or unenforceable provision or part thereof had been omitted.

**The following shall replace Condition (19) of Air Emission License A-1159-71-A-N:**

(19) Fugitive Emissions of VOC

GSGT shall notify the Department in advance of any scheduled venting event from any piping or equipment operated and maintained by GSGT that is expected to result in the release of more than 85,000 scf of natural gas. GSGT shall notify the Department within two working days of any unscheduled venting event that results in the release of more than 85,000 scf of natural gas.

For each scheduled or unscheduled venting, GSGT shall keep records of the venting of natural gas (date, time, duration, and scf released).

[06-096 C.M.R. ch. 115, BACT]

DONE AND DATED IN AUGUSTA, MAINE THIS 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2023.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

BY:  for  
MELANIE LOYZIM, COMMISSIONER

PLEASE NOTE ATTACHED SHEET FOR GUIDANCE ON APPEAL PROCEDURES

Date of initial receipt of application: 7/5/2023  
Date of application acceptance: 7/10/2023

Date filed with the Board of Environmental Protection:

This Order prepared by Lynn Muzzey, Bureau of Air Quality.

**FILED**  
SEP 20, 2023  
State of Maine  
Board of Environmental Protection