



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.P.U. 23-101

September 27, 2023

Petition of The Berkshire Gas Company for Approval of Acquisition of Firm LNG Service Agreements from UGI Energy Services, LLC and Northeast Energy Center LLC, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 94A.

On September 8, 2023, The Berkshire Gas Company (“Company”) filed a petition with the Department of Public Utilities (“Department”) seeking approval of two contractual agreements (“Agreements”) pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 94A. The Agreements involve (1) an agreement with UGI Energy Services, LLC (“UGI”) for delivery of up to 65,000 MMBtu/year at UGI’s LNG facility in Meshoppen, Pennsylvania; and (2) an agreement with Northeast Energy Center LLC (“NEC”) for delivery of up to 65,000 MMBtu/year at NEC’s LNG facility in Charlton, Massachusetts. The Department has docketed this matter as D.P.U. 23-101.

Any person interested in commenting on this matter may submit written comments no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **October 30, 2023**. Please note that in the interest of transparency, any comments will be posted to our website as received and without redacting personal information, such as addresses, telephone numbers, or email addresses. As such, consider the extent of information you wish to share when submitting comments. The Department strongly encourages public comments to be submitted by email. If, however, a member of the public is unable to send written comments by email, a paper copy may be sent to Mark D. Marini, Secretary, Department of Public Utilities, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts, 02110.

Any person who desires to participate otherwise in the evidentiary phase of this proceeding shall file a petition for leave to intervene no later than 5:00 p.m. on **October 30, 2023**. A petition for leave to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 CMR 1.03. Receipt by the Department constitutes filing and determines whether a petition has been timely filed. A petition filed late may be disallowed as untimely, unless good cause is shown for waiver under 220 CMR 1.01(4). To be allowed, a petition under 220 CMR 1.03(1) must satisfy the standing requirements of G.L. c. 30A, § 10. All responses to petitions to intervene must be filed by the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on the second business day after the petition to intervene was filed. The Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts filed a notice to intervene in this matter pursuant to G.L. c. 12, § 11E.

All documents should be submitted to the Department in **.pdf format** by email attachment to dpu.efiling@mass.gov and timothy.m.federico@mass.gov. The text of the email must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 23-101); (2) the name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. All documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's website through our online File Room as soon as practicable (enter "23-101") at: <https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/DPU/Fileroom/dockets/bynumber>. In addition, one copy of all written comments and petitions to intervene should be emailed to the Company's attorney, Brendan Vaughan, Esq. at bvaughan@keeganwerlin.com.

The filing and all subsequent related documents submitted to the Department or issued by the Department will be available on the Department's website as referenced above as soon as is practicable. To the extent a person or entity wishes to submit comments or intervene in accordance with this Notice, electronic submission, as detailed above, is sufficient. To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), contact the Department's ADA coordinator at Gabriella.Knight@mass.gov.

For further information regarding the Company's filing, please contact the Company's attorneys, identified above. For further information regarding this Notice, please contact Timothy Federico, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at timothy.m.federico@mass.gov.