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TransGas Energy Siting Board to Meet

Albany, NY –10/06/03 – The TransGas Energy Board on Electric Generation Siting and the Environment (TransGas Energy Siting Board) has scheduled a meeting on Thursday, October 16, 2003 at 11am. in the 19th floor Board Room at 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider interlocutory appeals in Siting Board Case 01-F-1276, the application of TransGas Energy Systems, LLC (TransGas Energy) for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (Certificate) under Article X of the State Public Service Law to construct and operate a 1,100-megawatt (MW) combined-cycle natural gas-fired electric generating plant at One North 12th Street on the East River between Greenpoint and Williamsburg in Brooklyn, New York City.

An interlocutory appeal is a request filed by an active party in the course of a pending Article X case that the Siting Board promptly review a determination or ruling issued by the Hearing Examiners in the case. The interlocutory appeals were filed in this case by the Borough of Brooklyn, the Greenpoint Williamsburg Waterfront Task Force, the New York Public Interest Research Group, the City of New York, and TransGas Energy Systems LLC concerning jurisdiction over steam and water facilities and site remediation. The TransGas Energy Siting Board will not consider at this time whether or not a Certificate to construct and operate the proposed facility should be granted.

The meeting of the TransGas Energy Siting Board is open to the public. However, since participants in the case pending before the Board already have been provided opportunities to comment on, and respond to, the various issues related to the interlocutory appeals, participants will not address the Board at the meeting. Individuals in New York City wishing to view a videocasting of the TransGas Energy Siting Board meeting may do so in the Boardroom at the NYS Department of Public Service's offices on the 8th floor of One Penn Plaza, New York, NY. The videocasting will be for viewing and listening purposes only. Pursuant to security

procedures established by the building management, anyone planning to observe the meeting in the New York City Boardroom must notify Jan Goorsky at 212-290-4361 and must be prepared to show valid identification upon arrival at One Penn Plaza. In addition, the meeting will be broadcast live on the Internet. The Internet broadcast can be viewed through a subscription to NewYorkAdmin by accessing <http://www.NewYorkAdmin.com> from a computer capable of using RealPlayer. RealPlayer can be downloaded from the NewYorkAdmin site. The Siting Board has no financial interest in the website, its management, maintenance or administration.

TDD users may request that a sign language interpreter be present. To make a request, please call the Department of Public Service's Human Resources Management office at (518) 474-2520 through the New York Relay Service at 1-800-662-1220 or have a representative call collect directly to the office. Disabled persons who require special accommodations other than a sign language interpreter also may place a collect call to the Department of Public Service's Human Resources Management office at (518) 474-2520.

Under Article X of the New York State Public Service Law, the TransGas Energy Siting Board for this application consists of the Chairman of the New York State Public Service Commission or a designee, the Chairman of the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority or a designee, and the Commissioners or their designees from the New York State Departments of Environmental Conservation, Health, and Economic Development, and two additional members – one from the judicial district and the other from the county where the facility is proposed to be located. The two additional members are Alexandria C. Spanakos, Esq. and Theodore Alatsas.

Copies of public filings relating to the interlocutory appeals before the TransGas Energy Siting Board, including the interlocutory appeals, are available from the Files Office, New York State Department of Public Service, 14th Floor, 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223 (518-474-2500). Requests for such filings should cite Case 01-F-1276.