

STATE OF MICHIGAN

BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter of the application of)
NORTHERN MICHIGAN OIL & GAS CORPORA-)
TION for authority to construct and operate the) Case No. U-11860
Wuori 1-2A Pipeline in Manistee County.)
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At the December 21, 1998 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing,
Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. John G. Strand, Chairman
Hon. David A. Svanda, Commissioner

ORDER APPROVING APPLICATION

On December 9, 1998, Northern Michigan Oil & Gas Corporation (Northern) filed an applica-
tion, pursuant to the provisions of 1929 PA 9, as amended, MCL 483.101 et seq.; MSA 22.1311
et seq., requesting authority to construct and operate the Wuori 1-2A Pipeline.

The proposed pipeline will consist of a 2-3/8 inch outer diameter line approximately 2,000 feet
long, extending from the Wuori 1-2A Central Production Facility in the NW/4 of Section 2 to a
point of interconnection with an existing Michigan Consolidated Gas Company pipeline located in
the SW/4 of Section 2, all in T23N, R14W, Maple Grove Township, Manistee County. The pro-
posed pipeline will be used to transport natural gas to market by way of the existing gas transmis-
sion system. Attached to the application are engineering specifications covering the construction,
testing, and operation of the pipeline to demonstrate compliance with the Michigan Gas Safety

Code and a map showing the location of the pipeline. The maximum allowable operating pressure of the pipeline will be 1,440 pounds per square inch gauge, and its estimated cost is approximately \$24,300.

After reviewing the application, the Commission finds that the pipeline will serve the public convenience and necessity and that ex parte approval is appropriate.

The Commission FINDS that:

- a. Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1929 PA 9, as amended, MCL 483.101 et seq.; MSA 22.1311 et seq.; 1919 PA 419, as amended, MCL 460.51 et seq.; MSA 22.1 et seq.; 1939 PA 3, as amended, MCL 460.1 et seq.; MSA 22.13(1) et seq.; 1969 PA 165, as amended, MCL 483.151 et seq.; MSA 22.1332(1) et seq.; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 et seq.; MSA 3.560(101) et seq.; and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, as amended, 1992 AACCS, R 460.17101 et seq.
- b. The map, route, and type of construction of the Wuori 1-2A Pipeline should be approved.
- c. The pipeline is practicable in that it will provide an economic means of delivering natural gas to market.
- d. The pipeline will meet the requirements of the Michigan Gas Safety Code if constructed, tested, and operated as proposed.
- e. The pipeline will serve the public convenience and necessity.
- f. The public interest will be adequately protected without the time and expense of a public hearing.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

A. Northern Michigan Oil & Gas Corporation is authorized to construct and operate the Wuori 1-2A Pipeline in Manistee County, as proposed in its application filed on December 9, 1998 and subject to the requirements of 1929 PA 9, as amended, MCL 483.101 et seq.; MSA 22.1311 et seq.

B. The map, route, and type of construction of the Wuori 1-2A Pipeline are approved.

C. Within 60 days after construction, Northern Michigan Oil & Gas Corporation shall file a completion report including pressure test data and a map of the Wuori 1-2A Pipeline as constructed.

The Commission reserves jurisdiction and may issue further orders as necessary.

Any party desiring to appeal this order must do so in the appropriate court within 30 days after issuance and notice of this order, pursuant to MCL 462.26; MSA 22.45.

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

/s/ John G. Strand

Chairman

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/s/ David A. Svanda

Commissioner

By its action of December 21, 1998.

/s/ Dorothy Wideman

Its Executive Secretary

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Suggested Minute:

“Adopt and issue order dated December 21, 1998 granting Northern Michigan Oil & Gas Corporation authority to construct and operate the Wuori 1-2A Pipeline in Manistee County, as set forth in the order.”