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## **LNG PROJECT UPDATE**

**New Mexico Gas Company issued the following statement:**

The chief hearing examiner of the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission today issued a recommended decision in the Company's application for permission to build, own and operate a liquefied natural gas (LNG) storage facility in Rio Rancho, New Mexico.

New Mexico Gas Company is disappointed with the recommendation that the Commission should not approve a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. The Company is carefully reviewing the recommended decision.

Today's recommended decision will be discussed at an open meeting of the Commission, which will issue a final order in the next few weeks.

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### **About New Mexico Gas Company**

As the largest natural gas distribution utility in the state, New Mexico Gas Company ([www.nmgco.com](http://www.nmgco.com)) provides service to more than 540,000 homes and businesses and about 1.3 million people throughout New Mexico. The Company has more than 700 employees in 26 offices, who are responsible for safely and reliably operating more than 12,000 miles of pipelines across the state. New Mexico Gas Company is a subsidiary of Emera Inc., an expert team of utility and energy services companies serving 2.5 million customers in the U.S., Canada and the Caribbean. Emera is headquartered in Halifax, Nova Scotia.