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Site Overview

Certificate Issuer:	Equitable Origin, Inc.
Certificate Number:	EO100-01102024-US
Operator:	National Fuel Gas Midstream Company, LLC
Certifiable Unit Name:	<i>National Fuel Gas Midstream Company Assets</i> 47 Facilities representing 100% of company assets
Certification Standard:	EO100™ Standard for Responsible Energy Development (2017) and the EO100™ Technical Supplement: Natural Gas Gathering/Boosting and Processing (2022)
Location of Certified Unit:	Tioga, Lycoming, Elk, McKean, and Cameron Counties, Pennsylvania, USA
Gathering Volume & Capacity:	> 1 Bcf/d
Pipeline Total Length:	> 400 miles of Transmission & Gathering Pipeline
Number of Employees:	22 full-time; 25 contractors
Segment of Supply Chain Covered:	Gathering/Boosting & Processing
Certification Date:	21 September 2023
Re-verification Date:	21 September 2024
Expiration Date:	20 September 2026
Assessment Period:	August to September 2024
Assessment Body:	Sustrio Advisors

ABOUT THE EO SUMMARY REPORT

The purpose of this report is to publicly document the EO100™ Certification assessment of National Fuel Gas Midstream Company, LLC (NFG Midstream or the Company) natural gas operations in Tioga, Lycoming, Elk, McKean, and Cameron Counties, Pennsylvania, USA. The assessment scope covered NFG Midstream's *National Fuel Gas Midstream Company Assets*, detailed below, which were treated as one Certifiable Unit.

The EO100™ Standard for Responsible Energy Development is a set of rigorous management, disclosure and performance standards for Energy Development projects. The Standard was developed through an extensive multi-year, and multi-stakeholder [engagement process](#) with over 1,000 representatives from the energy industry, international NGOs, Indigenous Rightsholders, financial institutions, government officials, and communities affected by energy projects. It establishes management obligations, metrics and performance targets that are formulated to enable objective and independent evaluation of material environmental, social and governance (ESG) practices of an Energy Development Project from operation through closure and reclamation. The EO100™ Standard includes a Technical Supplement for Natural Gas and Tight oil Production that was originally released in 2017 and updated in 2022.

In selecting the management obligations, metrics and performance targets to represent under these Principles, the EO100™ Standard synthesizes leading international and sectoral Environmental, Social and Governance Performance standards, initiatives and reporting frameworks, including: international human rights standards and conventions (Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights), IFC Performance Standards, Global Reporting Initiative, ISO 26000, AA1000 Assurance Standard, ISO 14001, ISO 45001, Oil and Gas Methane Partnership, the Task Force on Climate Related Financial Disclosure, and the Extractives Industries Transparency Initiative. These global and sectoral Good Practice benchmarks are selected and codified as specific and auditable indicators, with the guidance of a multi-stakeholder expert Advisory Committee. Standards are reviewed periodically to remain consistent with evolving guidelines, benchmarks and expectations.

A total of over 500 metrics are incorporated in the EO100™ Standard and associated project-related Supplement that are grouped under the following Principles:

1. Corporate Governance, Transparency & Ethics
2. Human Rights, Social Impact & Community Development
3. Indigenous People's Rights
4. Fair Labor & Working Conditions
5. Climate Change, Biodiversity & Environment



The EO100™ Standard allocates these 500 metrics across three successive levels of Performance Targets (PTs):

- PT1 targets “meet” global or sectoral “good practice” benchmarks;
- PT2 targets “exceed” or go beyond these benchmarks in terms of transparency, management or stringency; or operational performance
- PT3 targets represent “leadership” and achievement of sector best practices in this area of management or operational performance.

Scoring of an Energy Development Project against the EO Standard and relevant Supplements is undertaken annually by an expert Assessment Body based on representative sampling of a cross section of observation points following documented procedures and international assurance good practice, including periodic site visits and interviews. The Assessor is required to substantiate their recommended scoring based on evidence provided by the Operator, and on their observations gathered onsite, through interviews and document review. The Assessment Body’s findings are subject to expert peer review and periodic Witness Assessment by EO, to ensure consistency of interpretation across sites and assessors.

Participating Producers must at least partially meet all applicable ~270 PT1 targets to achieve certification under the Standard, score a minimum of 70% overall, and commit to fully meet all applicable PT1s by the end of the first 3-year certification cycle. Additional points are awarded for achieving PT2s and PT3s, which indicate that the producer has gone beyond industry good practice to demonstrate leadership and innovation.

Established in 2009, Equitable Origin is a non-profit 501(c)3 charity based in the US that partners with business, communities and government to incent and reward more transparent, equitable, and sustainable development of energy resources through standards and certification. Our mission is to protect people and the environment by ensuring that energy development is conducted under the highest social and environmental standards.

Read more about our Standards here:

<https://energystandards.org/responsible-energy-development/>

Site Profile

The purpose of this report is to document the EO100™ Certification assessment conducted of NFG Midstream’s natural gas operations in Pennsylvania.

National Fuel Gas Midstream Company, LLC (NFG Midstream or the Company) is a natural gas company with the primary business to build, own, and operate natural gas processing and pipeline gathering facilities in the Appalachian region of the United States. With corporate headquarters in Williamsville, New York, NFG Midstream operates as a subsidiary of National Fuel Gas Company (National Fuel or the Parent Company). National Fuel is a diversified energy company engaged principally in onshore production, gathering, transportation, and distribution of natural gas.



NFG Midstream is part of National Fuel’s midstream segment that operates and maintains gathering pipelines and other equipment that collect natural gas from onshore production, pipeline, and storage. This system provides compression, dehydration, and interconnects for the transmission of pipeline grade natural gas. NFG Midstream was formed in 2009 to bring Seneca Resource’s Appalachian production to market. The Certifiable Unit is developed across a span of five (5) counties in central and western Pennsylvania – in Tioga, Lycoming, Elk, MCKEAN, and CAMERON – which are predominantly rural and forested. Facilities are located near sparsely populated areas that contain a mix of distant residential and farmland. NFG Midstream has the



current capacity to move approximately 2.3 billion cubic feet of natural gas per day through its three midstream subsidiaries as follows:

- National Fuel Gas Midstream Covington, LLC: Located in Tioga County and has the capacity to move approximately 970 million cubic feet of natural gas per day.
- National Fuel Gas Midstream Trout Run, LLC: Located in Lycoming County and has the capacity to move approximately 585 million cubic feet of natural gas per day.
- National Fuel Gas Midstream Clermont, LLC: Located in McKean, Elk, and Cameron Counties and has the capacity to move approximately 750 million cubic feet of natural gas per day.

The assessment scope included NFG Midstream’s Pennsylvania Operations, which was treated as one Certifiable Unit, and covered forty-seven (47) facilities, which includes thirty-two (32) compressor stations, eleven (11) metering and interconnect stations, and four (4) office and warehouse facilities in Pennsylvania, United States. The infrastructure and facilities above represent all of the collective assets under NFG Midstream in Pennsylvania, and are hereafter referred to as *National Fuel Gas Midstream Company Assets*.

Stakeholders and Communities

NFG Midstream maintains open dialogue with stakeholders to assess potential environmental, social, safety, and operational impacts, promoting engagement throughout the entire project lifecycle. NFG Midstream’s key stakeholders’ groups are identified as:

- Employees
- Government (local, state, and federal)
- Local communities
- Landowners
- Contractors, suppliers, and service providers
- Shareholders and capital providers

NFG Midstream does not conduct its operations on Federally-recognized Indigenous lands, nor were Indigenous communities identified in the Company’s area of operations. The Assessors found no direct impacts from NFG Midstream areas of operation within the scope of this assessment and Federally-recognized Indigenous Peoples.

Document Review and Stakeholder Interviews

NFG Midstream engaged Equitable Origin-approved independent assessors, Sustrio Advisors, to conduct its re-verification assessment from August to September 2024.

To assess conformance of the Certifiable Unit to the associated performance obligations, the Assessment Team conducted verification activities using desk research and stakeholder interviews, focused on assessing improvements that were to be made in conformance with NFG Midstreams' Continuous Improvement Plan that was a condition of initial certification.

Specific verification activities undertaken as part of this assessment included a review of NFG Midstream's documentation and reports, and interviews with external stakeholders, as well as with relevant staff and internal stakeholders, that included discussion with key personnel and site operators.

As part of this work, Sustrio Advisors' process included document review and discussion with NFG Midstream personnel, interviews, field assessment and report preparation conducted over an approximate six-week period. The Assessors reviewed 80 documents, and conducted interviews with 1 external stakeholder and 11 internal stakeholders.

All supporting assessment documents are confidential.

Document Review and Stakeholder Interviews

NFG Midstream has met the requirements for certification of its *National Fuel Gas Midstream Company Assets* to the EO100™ Standard for Responsible Energy Development (2017) and the EO100™ Technical Supplement for Natural Gas Gathering/Boosting and Processing (2022).

The EO100™ Standard encompasses the following Principles:

1. Corporate Governance, Transparency & Ethics
2. Human Rights, Social Impact & Community Development
3. Indigenous People's Rights
4. Fair Labor & Working Conditions
5. Climate Change, Biodiversity & Environment

NFG Midstream committed to adopting the EO100™ Standard and completed a Self-Assessment in April 2023. Equitable Origin-approved independent assessors, Sustrio Advisors, carried out verification activities from August to September 2024.

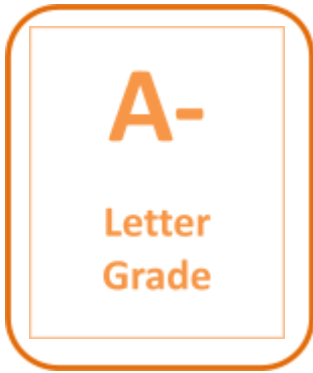
The assessment team conducted verification activities that focused primarily on assessing changes made over the course of the year, since the initial 2023 certification, based on the recommendations in the continuous improvement action plan. Additionally, some randomly selected Level 1 Performance Targets were checked to ensure no regression in performance and Level 2 and 3 Performance Targets were assessed as applicable. The assessment concluded that NFG Midstream has succeeded in meeting or partially meeting all the applicable Level 1 Performance Targets (see Table 1). The Assessors found that performance improvements across Principles 1, 2, 4, and 5 took place. Principle 1 scores were influenced by developments such as the implementation of its Pipeline Safety Management System (PSMS), policies, programs, and procedures. Further internal document review and positive feedback and support from Stakeholders based on experiences with NFG Midstream's engagement and consultation practices within the local communities and landowners improved performance in Principle 2. Principle 3, Indigenous Peoples' Rights, was evaluated by the Assessors as not applicable for this assessment at this time. Improvements in Principle 4 were driven by reviews of policies and procedures to ensure compliance, and through internal stakeholder interviews, confirm that these practices were implemented. Progress in Principle 5 occurred with NFG Midstream's



PSMS implementation, updating its internal site InfoNet, and using DevonWay to manage its systems digitally.

As part of the EO100™ Certification, NFG Midstream commits to a continuous improvement process and will develop plans to close existing gaps identified by the assessment team. The continuous improvement plan will be evaluated annually for progress by Equitable Origin approved assessors. All supporting assessment documents are confidential.

Table 1: Summary Results by Principle



Principle	2024 Re-Verification Assessment
1: Corporate Governance, Transparency & Ethics	95%
2: Human Rights, Social Impact & Community Development	99%
3: Indigenous Peoples' Right	-
4: Fair Labor & Working Conditions	99%
5: Climate Change, Biodiversity & Environment	97%

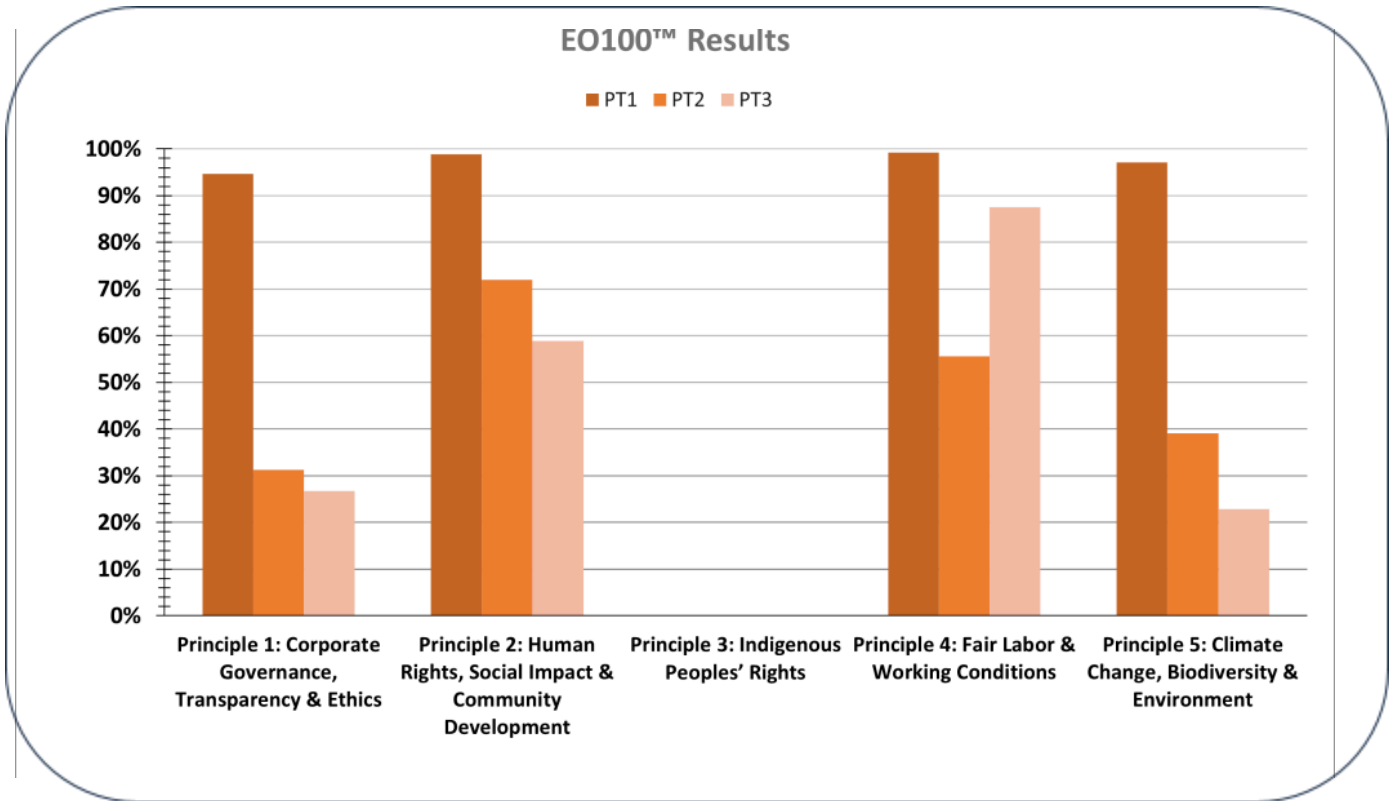


Figure 1: EO100™ 2024 Re-Verification Assessment Results

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Assessor:



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If organizations or individuals have concerns, complaints, or comments about the operator's EO100™ Certification, they should first contact the Certified Operator directly: (814) 871-8215 [ext. 4215].

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