

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, March 15, 2006.

*Docket Numbers:* ER06-475-001.

*Applicants:* Colorado Power Partners.  
*Description:* Colorado Power Partners submits Substitute Third Revised Sheet 1, revising Third Revised Sheet 1, to be effective January 12, 2006.

*Filed Date:* March 3, 2006.

*Accession Number:* 20060307-0207.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, March 24, 2006.

*Docket Numbers:* ER06-693-000.

*Applicants:* Pacific Gas & Electric Company.

*Description:* Pacific Gas and Electric Co. submits an executed Letter of Agreement dated March 31, 1998 with California Department of Water Resources—State Water Project in accordance with section 205(c) of the Federal Power Act, etc.

*Filed Date:* March 2, 2006.

*Accession Number:* 20060307-0055.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, March 23, 2006.

*Docket Numbers:* ER06-694-000.

*Applicants:* Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation.

*Description:* Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. dba National Grid submits an Original Service Agreement 914 with Steel Winds, LLC under the New York Independent System Operator, LLC, FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume 1.

*Filed Date:* March 2, 2006.

*Accession Number:* 20060307-0038.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, March 23, 2006.

*Docket Numbers:* ER06-695-000.

*Applicants:* Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation.

*Description:* Niagara Mohawk Power Corp., dba National Grid submits an Original Service Agreement 915 with Modern Innovative Energy LLC under the New York Independent System Operator LLC's open access tariff, etc.

*Filed Date:* March 2, 2006.

*Accession Number:* 20060307-0045.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, March 23, 2006.

*Docket Numbers:* ER06-696-000.

*Applicants:* Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation.

*Description:* Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. dba National Grid submits an Original Service Agreement 916 w/ Innovative Energy Systems, Inc. under the New York Independent System Operator, LLC's FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume 1.

*Filed Date:* March 2, 2006.

*Accession Number:* 20060307-0043.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, March 23, 2006.

*Docket Numbers:* ER06-698-000.

*Applicants:* First Commodities Ltd.  
*Description:* First Commodities Ltd.'s submits a petition for acceptance of its initial rate schedule (FERC Electric Rate Schedule 1), and granting certain waivers and blanket authorities.

*Filed Date:* March 2, 2006.

*Accession Number:* 20060307-0041.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, March 23, 2006.

*Docket Numbers:* ER96-2495-028; ER97-4143-016; ER97-1238-023; ER98-2075-022; ER98-542-018; EL04-131-000.

*Applicants:* AEP Power Marketing Inc.; AEP Service Corporation; CSW Power Marketing, Inc.; CSW Energy Services, Inc.; Central and South West Services, Inc.

*Description:* American Electric Power Service Corp., on behalf of AEP Power Marketing Inc. et al. submits revised market tariff sheets in accordance with Order 614 to remove the Market Behavior Rules pursuant to Commission's February 16, 2006 order.

*Filed Date:* March 3, 2006.

*Accession Number:* 20060307-0084.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, March 24, 2006.

*Docket Numbers:* ER97-886-009.

*Applicants:* Brooklyn Navy Yard Cogeneration Partners, LP

*Description:* Brooklyn Navy Yard Cogeneration Partners LP states that neither itself nor its affiliates can engage in any prohibited affiliate abuse or reciprocal dealing in response to FERC's letter dated February 1, 2006.

*Filed Date:* March 3, 2006.

*Accession Number:* 20060307-0083.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, March 24, 2006.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. It is not necessary to separately intervene again in a subdocket related to a compliance filing if you have previously intervened in the same docket. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. In reference to filings initiating a new proceeding, interventions or protests submitted on or before the comment deadline need not be served on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and

interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://www.ferc.gov>. To facilitate electronic service, persons with Internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St. NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The filings in the above proceedings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

**Magalie R. Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP06-76-000]

#### Algonquin Gas Transmission LLC; Notice of Alternative Project Site Algonquin Ramapo Expansion Project

March 8, 2006.

On January 10, 2006, a Notice of Intent to Prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (NOI) was issued by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) concerning the preparation of a supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS) that discusses the environmental impacts of Millennium Pipeline L.P.'s (Millennium) proposed Millennium Phase I Project (Phase I Project) which involves design and route changes to the pipeline facilities previously approved as part of the Millennium Pipeline Project and the related projects proposed by other pipeline companies. These related projects are: Columbia Gas

Transmission Corporation's (Columbia) Line A-5 Replacement Project (Docket No. CP05-19-000), Empire Pipeline, Inc.'s (Empire) Empire Connector Project (Docket No. CP05-6-000), Algonquin Gas Transmission's (Algonquin) Ramapo Expansion Project (pre-filing Docket No. PF06-5-000 and certificate application filed in Docket No. CP06-76-000 on March 2, 2006), and Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.'s MarketAccess Project (pre-filing Docket No. PF06-6-000). Together, these projects are referred to as the Northeast (NE)-07 Project. A copy of the NOI is attached for your reference (see appendix 1).

Algonquin Gas Transmission LLC (Algonquin) filed information regarding an alternative compressor station (CS) site for the proposed Oxford CS that it may consider as its preferred site. This alternative site is in Oxford, New Haven County, Connecticut. The property is referred to as alternative "Site F, Oxford Tax Identification: Map 24, Block 21, Lot 8" (Woodruff Hill #3). It would be at approximate Algonquin milepost 132.5. It would be about 0.85 mile east of the Oxford Airport runway. It is associated with the planned Woodruff Hill Industrial Park (Industrial Park) site just east of the Oxford Airport in an area that has been designated as "future development". But, it is not included in the current plans for developing the Industrial Park. A location map for the proposed alternative Oxford CS site is in appendix 2.

Site F occupies a 41-acre parcel that lies mostly within a valley that is bisected by an intermittent stream and some associated wetlands. The site is moderately level and mostly wooded. Algonquin indicates that an approximate 1600-foot-long driveway would be required for permanent access to the site.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping period for the alternative site that will be used to gather environmental information from the public and interested agencies on the NE-07 Project. Please note that the scoping period will close on April 7, 2006. Details on how to submit comments are provided in the Public Participation section of this notice.

This notice is being sent to potentially affected landowners within a half mile of the alternative new compressor station site; Federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; and local libraries and newspapers.

Some affected landowners may be contacted by a project representative about the acquisition of an easement to

construct, operate, and maintain the proposed pipeline. If so, the company should seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement. In the event that the NE-07 Project is certificated by the Commission, that approval conveys the right of eminent domain for securing easements for the pipeline. Therefore, if easement negotiations fail to produce an agreement, the company could initiate condemnation proceedings in accordance with state law.

A fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled "An Interstate Natural Gas Facility On My Land? What Do I Need To Know?" addresses a number of typically asked questions, including the use of eminent domain and how to participate in the Commission's proceedings. It is available for viewing on the FERC Internet Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>).

#### The EIS Process

NEPA requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impacts that could result from an action whenever it considers the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity under section 7 of the Natural Gas Act. NEPA also requires us to discover and address concerns the public may have about proposals. This process is referred to as "scoping". The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the SEIS on the important environmental issues. By the NOI, the Commission staff requested public comments on the scope of the issues to address in the EIS. All comments received are considered during the preparation of the SEIS. Landowners receiving this supplemental notice about the alternative compressor station site have been given an opportunity to comment of the project outside the comment period identified in the attached NOI.

#### Currently Identified Environmental Issues

We have identified several issues that we think deserve attention based on a preliminary review of the proposed alternative facilities and the environmental information provided by the applicants. This preliminary list of issues may be changed based on your comments and our analysis.

- Water Resources.
  - Impact on water quality.
  - Impact on wetlands.
- Vegetation and Wildlife.
  - Impact on forests due to clearing to construct and operate the compressor station and access road.
- Endangered and Threatened Species.
  - Impact on Indiana bats.
  - Impact on bog turtles.

- Reliability and Safety.
  - Assessment of hazards associated with compressor stations.
- Air Quality and Noise.
  - Temporary impacts from construction of the pipeline on residences.
  - Impacts of operation of the new compressor stations and compressor station additions.
- Alternatives.

#### Public Participation

You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the NE-07 Project. By becoming a commentor, your concerns may be addressed in the SEIS and considered by the Commission. You should focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal, alternatives to the proposal (including alternative locations and routes), and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impact. The more specific your comments, the more useful they may be. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send an original and two copies of your letter to: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of Gas Branch 2.
- Reference the docket number of the project about which you are commenting on the original and both copies. For these projects, please reference:—Ramapo Expansion Project—CP06-76-000.
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before April 7, 2006.

Please note that we are continuing to experience delays in mail deliveries from the U.S. Postal Service. As a result, we will include all comments that we receive within a reasonable time frame in our environmental analysis of this project. However, the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing of any comments or interventions or protests to this proceeding. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the "e-Filing" link and the link to the User's Guide. Before you can file comments, you will need to open a free account which can be created on-line.

#### Becoming an Intervenor

Please see the attached NOI for the NE-07 Project for this information.

### Environmental Mailing List

If you do not want to send comments at this time, but still want to remain on our mailing list, please return the attached Mailing List Retention Form (Appendix 3). If you do not return the form, you will be taken off the mailing list.

### Additional Information

Additional information about the Project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at 1-866-208-FERC or on the FERC Internet Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the eLibrary link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on "General Search" and enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field. Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, contact 1-202-502-8659. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission now offers a free service called eSubscription which allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries and direct links to the documents. Go to <http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm>.

Finally, public meetings or site visits will be posted on the Commission's calendar located at <http://www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx> along with other related information.

**Magalie R. Salas,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP06-58-000]

#### Southern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Southern Natural Gas Company's 2006 Abandonment and Replacement Project Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

March 8, 2006.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or

Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of Southern Natural Gas Company's (Southern) application for its 2006 Abandonment and Replacement Project. Southern proposes to abandon, replace and modify facilities associated with its 22-inch North Main Loop Line and abandon its Pell City Compressor Station Unit No. 3 as part of an extensive pipeline integrity program. Pipeline changes would occur on Southern's existing system in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama. Abandonment of a compressor station would occur in St. Clair County, Alabama.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping period that will be used to gather environmental input from the public and interested agencies on the project. Scoping comments are requested by April 10, 2006.

With this notice, the staff of the FERC is asking other Federal, State, local and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the EA. These agencies may choose to participate once they have evaluated Southern's proposal relative to their responsibilities. Agencies that would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing comments described in Appendix 1.

This notice is being sent to potentially affected landowners; Federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American Tribes, other interested parties; local libraries and newspapers. State and local government representatives are asked to notify their constituents of this planned project and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

If you are a landowner receiving this notice, you may be contacted by a pipeline company representative about the acquisition of an easement to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed facilities. The pipeline company would seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement. However, if the project is approved by the Commission, that approval conveys with it the right of eminent domain. Therefore, if easement negotiations fail to produce an agreement, the pipeline company could initiate condemnation proceedings in accordance with state law.

A fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled "An Interstate Natural Gas Facility On My Land? What Do I Need To Know?" is available for viewing on the FERC Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>).

This fact sheet addresses a number of typically asked questions, including the use of eminent domain and how to participate in the Commission's proceedings. It is available for viewing on the FERC Internet Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>).

### Background

#### *Pipeline Abandonment, Replacement and Modification*

Southern's 22-inch McConnells North Main Loop Line, which is part of its North Main Line System in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama, was commissioned in 1946 and is proposed for retirement as part of the application. Because of a reduction in contracted capacity in this area due to capacity turnback and capacity shift, this section of the line is no longer needed. However, to continue to provide reliable and safe gas supplies to the western Alabama region, Southern proposes to replace a section of the abandoned 22-inch McConnells North Main loop Line by extending the existing 24-inch 2nd North Main Loop Line.

#### *Compressor Station Abandonment*

The Pell City Compressor Station was built in 1989 to deliver firm contract volumes on the Gadsden Lateral Line. Since the Gadsden Lateral Line has not been operating at full contract capacity, the Pell City Unit No. 3 has not been required to deliver peak day demand on the Gadsden Lateral Line. Recent capacity turnback on the Gadsden Lateral Line makes it possible to abandon the Pell City Unit No. 3 since it is no longer required to meet firm peak day requirements.

### Summary of the Proposed Project

#### *Tuscaloosa, Alabama*

- Abandon in place 4.55 miles of the McConnells 22-inch North Main Loop Segment from Milepost 260.74 to Milepost 265.29. This portion of the McConnells North Main Loop Segment would be pigged, filled with nitrogen, and capped before being abandoned in place.

- Abandon and remove 6.36 miles from Milepost 265.29 to Milepost 271.65. Southern proposes to remove all pipeline and associated piping assemblies along this 6.36 mile route, with the exception of the North River crossing at Milepost 269.45 and any uncased road crossings. The uncased road crossing would be cut and capped on each side of the road crossing and filled with grout for abandonment in place. The cased road crossings that are left void would also be filled with grout and abandoned in place.