(NAEP) results for 2007-2012, and their implications on future NAEP activities. The discussion of independent government cost estimates prior to the development of the Request for Proposals for the NAEP 2007-2012 contracts is necessary for ensuring that NAEP contracts meet congressionally mandated goals and adhere to Board policies on NAEP assessments. This part of the meeting must be conducted in closed session because public disclosure of this information would likely have an adverse financial effect on the NAEP program and would provide an advantage to potential bidders attending the meeting. Discussion of this information would be likely to significantly impede implementation of a proposed agency action if conducted in open session. Such matters are protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

The second agenda item for the closed session of the Executive Committee on August 3 is the discussion and nomination of the Board Vice-Chair. This discussion pertains solely to internal personnel rules and practices of an agency and will disclose information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. As such, the discussions are protected by exemptions 2 and 6 of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

On August 4, the full Board will meet in open session from 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. From 8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. the Board will approve the agenda, followed by an Oath of Office ceremony for a new Board member. The Board will then receive the Executive Director's report and hear an update on the work of the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES).

From 9:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. on August 4, the Board's standing committees—the Assessment Development Committee; the Committee on Standards, Design and Methodology, and the Reporting and Dissemination Committee—will meet in open session.

On August 4, the full Board will meet in closed session from 12:15 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. The Board will receive a briefing provided by the Associate Commissioner, NCES, on policy issues relating to upcoming Report Cards and secure student achievement data related to three upcoming NAEP reports. The Board will discuss its proposed Policy Statement and Guidelines on Reporting, Release, and Dissemination of NAEP Results in relation to embargoed data from: (1) The 2005 Trial Urban District Assessment in Science; (2) the 2005 12th Grade Reading and Mathematics Report Card: and (3) the Puerto Rico

NAEP Mathematics Assessment. These data constitute a major basis for the national release of the NAEP results, and cannot be released in an open meeting prior to the official release of the reports. The meeting must therefore be conducted in closed session as disclosure of data would significantly impede implementation of the NAEP release activities, and is therefore protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

On August 4 from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. the Board will receive a report from the Ad Hoc Committee on Planning for NAEP 12th Grade Assessments in 2009. This session will be followed by Board action on the NAEP 12th Grade Mathematics Objectives and Specifications from 2:45 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. From 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m., the Board will take action on the NAGB Policy Statement and Guidelines on Reporting, Release, and Dissemination of NAEP Results, upon which the August 4 session of the Board meeting will conclude.

On August 5, 2006 from 8:15 a.m. to 8:45 a.m., the Nominations Committee will meet in open session. From 9 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. the full Board will meet in open session to receive a briefing on NAEP Assessment and Booklet Design, followed by Board action from 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. on NAEP/NAGB Public Identity Marks. From 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., the Board will receive an update on the NAEP 2011 Writing Framework project.

Board actions on policies and Committee reports are scheduled to take place between 10:45 a.m. and 12 p.m., upon which the August 5, 2006 session of the Board meeting will adjourn.

Detailed minutes of the meeting, including summaries of the activities of the closed sessions and related matters that are informative to the public and consistent with the policy of section 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) will be available to the public within 14 days of the meeting. Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment Governing Board, Suite #825, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., Washington, DC, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. eastern standard time.

Dated: July 3, 2006.

## Munira Mwalimu,

Operations Officer, National Assessment Governing Board.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP06-350-000]

# **BGS Kimball Gas Storage, LLC; Notice of Application for Abandonment**

June 29, 2006.

Take notice that on May 26, 2006, BGS Kimball Gas Storage, LLC, (BGS Kimball) filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an application under section 7 of the Natural Gas Act to abandon the blanket certificate to provide storage services in interstate service issued to its predecessor, WPS-ESI Gas Storage, LLC. BGS Kimball is the owner of the Kimball 27 storage facility in St. Clair County, Michigan. BGS Kimball has entered into a longterm lease agreement with its affiliate, Bluewater Gas Storage, LLC (Bluewater), whereby Bluewater acquired control of the Kimball 27 storage facility. Bluewater intends to operate the Kimball 27 storage facility on an integrated basis with its Bluewater storage facilities, located nearby in St. Clair and Macomb Counties, Michigan. Separately, Bluewater is applying to the Commission for certificates of public convenience and necessity that would allow it to operate the integrated storage facilities in Michigan as a FERCjurisdictional "natural gas company" authorized to provide storage services in interstate commerce.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing 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). 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. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the date as indicate below. Anyone filing an intervention or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. Anyone filing an intervention or protest on or before the intervention or protest date need not serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at http://www.ferc.gov. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission,

888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov">http://www.ferc.gov</a>, using the "eLibrary" link and is 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, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. eastern time July 26, 2006.

#### Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

#### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP06-404-000]

## Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company; Notice of Petition for Approval of Settlement Agreement

June 29, 2006.

Take notice that on June 27, 2006, Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company (Eastern Shore) tendered for filing a Petition for Approval of Settlement Agreement, including a proposed settlement agreement and associated *pro* forma tariff sheets.

Eastern Shore states that copies of its filing have been served upon all affected customers of Eastern Shore and interested state commissions.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing 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). 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. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the date as indicated below. Anyone filing an intervention or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. Anyone filing an intervention or protest on or before the intervention or protest date need not serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

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Comment Date: 5 p.m. eastern time on July 5, 2006.

### Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP06-398-000; CP06-399-000; CP06-400-000]

## MoBay Storage Hub, Inc.; Notice of Application

June 29, 2006.

Take notice that on June 22, 2006, MoBay Storage Hub, Inc. (MoBay), 5847 San Felipe, Houston, Texas 77057, filed in dockets CP06-398-000, CP06-399-000, and CP06-400-000 an application pursuant to section 7 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), as amended, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing MoBay to construct, install, and operate a natural gas storage facility and other appurtenant facilities located in Mobile Bay, Alabama; a blanket certificate authorizing MoBay to provide storage and hub services on behalf of others; authorization to provide storage at market based rates; a blanket construction certificate to permit MoBay to construct, install, acquire, and operate additional facilities; and approval of the pro forma FERC gas tariff, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits, in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call (202) 502–8659 or TTY, (202) 208–3676.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Edmund A. Knolle., Mobay Storage Hub, Inc., San Felipe Plaza, 5847 San Felipe, Suite 3050, Houston, Texas 77057, or call (713) 961–3204.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission.

Environmental commentors will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process.

Environmental commentors will not be