and interventions via the Internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (*http:// www.ferc.gov*) under the "e-Filing" link. *Comment Date:* January 24, 2008.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP08-43-000]

Northern Natural Gas Company, PVR Midstream LLC; Notice of Application

January 3, 2008.

Take notice that on December 21, 2007, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, and PVR Midstream LLC (PVR), TownCenter One, 1450 Lake Robbins Drive, The Woodlands, Texas 77380-3258, filed a joint application in Docket No. CP08-43–000. Included in that filing is an application by Northern pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), as amended, and sections 157.7 and 157.18 of the Commission's Regulations, requesting permission and approval to abandon by sale to Saleco, a new yet to be named Delaware limited liability company, certain pipeline, compression, dehydration, and delivery and receipt point facilities (Hemphill System), with appurtenances facilities located in Ochiltree, Roberts and Hemphill Counties, Texas, and Roger Mills County, Oklahoma. Northern also requests Commission approval to abandon the services it provides with respect to primary receipt and/or delivery points located on the facilities proposed for abandonment. Northern and PVR state that once Saleco is assigned to PVR, the Hemphill System will be operated by PVR as part of its non-jurisdictional gathering system. Northern and PVR also request in the application a determination that, upon transfer to PVR, the facilities in question will be classified as gathering under section 1(b) of the NGA, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing is accessible on-line at http:// www.ferc.gov, 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 email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email *FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov*, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Michael T. Loeffler, Director, Certificates and Government Affairs for Northern Natural Gas Company, 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, at (402) 398–7103.

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 required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commentors will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link at *http://www.ferc.gov*. The Commission strongly encourages intervenors to file electronically. 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.

Comment Date: January 24, 2008.

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Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP08-42-000]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

January 3, 2008.

Take notice that on December 21, 2007, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, filed in Docket No. CP08-42-000 a prior notice request pursuant to sections 157.205 and 157.210 of the Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Northern's blanket certificate issued September 1, 1982 in Docket No. CP82-401–000, for authorization to up-rate the maximum allowable operating pressure (MAOP) on approximately twenty-four miles of 26-inch pipeline in Yoakum and Gaines Counties, Texas, and Lea County, New Mexico, and operate such segment of pipeline at the higher MAOP, all as more fully set forth in the application, which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing may also be viewed on the Web 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, contact FERC at *FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov* or call toll-free, (886) 208–3676 or TYY (202) 502–8659.

The estimated cost of constructing the proposed facilities is \$1,015,000.

Any questions regarding the application should be directed to Michael T. Loeffler, Senior Director of Certificates and External Affairs, 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, Northern Natural Gas Company, phone (402) 398–7103.

Any person or the Commission's Staff may, within 60 days after the issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and, pursuant to section 157.205 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to section 7 of the NGA.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, 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 *http://www.ferc.gov*, 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.

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NRG Cedar Bayou Development Company, LLC; EnergyCo Cedar Bayou 4, LLC; Hackberry Wind, LLC; Smoky Hills Wind Farm, LLC; Cloud County Wind Farm, LLC; Pioneer Prairie Wind Farm I, LLC; Sagebrush Power Partners, LLC; Tatanka Wind Power, LLC; Snyder Wind Farm, LLC; FPL Energy Point Beach, LLC; Enbridge Gas New Brunswick Inc.; Enbridge Wind Power Inc.; Gazifere Inc.; Inuvik Gas Ltd.; NRGreen Power Limited Partnership: Wirebury **Connections Inc.; Notice of** Effectiveness of Exempt Wholesale Generator or Foreign Utility Company Status

December 26, 2007.

Take notice that during the month of November 2007, the status of the abovecaptioned entities as Exempt Wholesale Generators or Foreign Utility Companies became effective by operation of the Commission's regulations. 18 CFR 366.7(a).

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP08-29-000]

Vector Pipeline L.P.; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Athens Compressor Expansion Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

January 3, 2008.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the Athens Compressor Expansion Project involving construction and operation of natural gas transmission system facilities by Vector Pipeline L.P. (Vector) in Calhoun and Oakland County, Michigan and LaPorte County, Indiana. The EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping process the Commission will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies on the project. Your input will help determine which issues need to be evaluated in the EA. Please note that the scoping period will close on February 4, 2008. Details on how to submit comments are provided in the Public Participation section of this notice.

This notice is being sent to affected landowners; federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; Native American tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. State and local government representatives are asked to notify their constituents of this proposed project and to encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

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).

Summary of the Proposed Project

Vector proposes to:

• Construct the Athens Compressor Station, a new 15,000-horsepower compressor station along Vector's existing pipeline system in Calhoun County, Michigan; and

• Complete modifications at Vector's existing Springville and Highland Compressor Stations, which are located along Vector's existing pipeline system in LaPorte County, Indiana and Oakland County, Michigan, respectively.

Vector purchased a 20-acre parcel of land for construction of the Athens Compressor Station. Approximately 6.3 acres within the site would be used for operation of the compressor station. An additional 2.2 acres of land would be disturbed by construction of an access road to Athens Compressor Station. The remainder of the 20 acre site would be maintained as a buffer area.

Construction of the proposed modifications at the existing Springville and Highland Compressor Stations would disturb up to 2 acres of land at each station. The land affected by construction and operation of the modifications would occur within previously disturbed areas that are inside buildings or in graveled areas