

Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) as amended, to construct, own, and operate a new receipt point to receive revaporized liquefied natural gas near Eunice, Evangeline Parish, Louisiana, under Texas Eastern's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-535-000,<sup>1</sup> all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to the public for inspection.

Texas Eastern states that it proposes to construct, own, and operate a new receipt point on Texas Eastern's 30-inch diameter Lines Nos. 14 and 18 to receive revaporized liquefied natural gas from the Sabine Pass LNG, L.P. LNG import terminal located in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, via Kinder Morgan Louisiana Pipeline (Kinder Morgan). The taps into Texas Eastern's mainline would be located in Evangeline Parish, Louisiana. This new receipt point would provide Texas Eastern with the ability to receive up to 500 MMcf of natural gas per day from Kinder Morgan into Texas Eastern's pipeline system. Texas Eastern also states that the addition of the receipt point would have no significant impact on Texas Eastern's peak day or annual deliveries and is not prohibited by Texas Eastern's FERC Gas Tariff. Texas Eastern further states that it would be reimbursed by Kinder Morgan for the estimated \$2,109,396 total cost to construct and operate the proposed receipt point facilities.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Garth Johnson, General Manager, Certificates & Reporting, Texas Eastern Transmission, LP, P.O. Box 1642, Houston, Texas 77251-1642, via telephone at (713) 627-5415, or facsimile (713) 627-5947.

This filing is available for review at the Commission or may 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 filed to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERC

[OnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:OnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call toll-free at (866) 206-3676, or, for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. 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. The Commission strongly encourages intervenors to file electronically.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 60 days after 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 regulations under the 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 filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to section 7 of the NGA.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP08-66-000]

#### **Petal Gas Storage, L.L.C.: Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Petal No. 3 Compressor Station Expansion and New Caverns Project, and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues**

March 13, 2008.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the potential environmental impacts of the Petal No. 3 Compressor Station Expansion and New Caverns Project, involving construction and operation of natural gas pipeline facilities by Petal Gas Storage, L.L.C. (Petal) in Forrest County, Mississippi. The EA will be used by the Commission in its decisionmaking 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 April 14, 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**

Petal proposes to expand its gas storage operations at the existing Petal Storage Facility east of Hattiesburg, Mississippi. The expansion would include construction of two new salt dome storage caverns; three new compressor units, totaling 15,000 horsepower, at the existing Petal No. 3 Compressor Station; an additional compressor station control room; about 2,500 feet of 16-inch-diameter connecting pipeline; and about 5,100 to 6,200 feet of 24-inch-diameter freshwater and brine pipelines. The proposal would increase the overall capacity of Petal's storage operations by about 19 billion cubic feet (Bcf) of natural gas (10 Bcf working gas and 9 Bcf cushion gas).

The general location of the proposed facilities is shown in appendix 1.<sup>1</sup>

#### **Land Requirements for Construction**

Construction of the project would affect about 17.1 acres of land, including the pipeline construction rights-of-way, the cavern well sites, and access roads. The compressor station expansion would take place within the existing Petal No. 3 Compressor Station building. Following construction, about 3.2 acres of land would be permanently maintained for operation and maintenance of the proposed facilities. All construction would take place on land owned by Petal.

<sup>1</sup> The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the **Federal Register**. Copies of all appendices are available on the Commission's Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) at the "eLibrary" link or from the Commission's Public Reference Room, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, or call (202) 502-8371. For instructions on connecting to eLibrary, refer to the "Additional Information" section of this notice. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail. Requests for detailed maps of the proposed facilities should be made directly to Petal.

<sup>1</sup> 21 FERC ¶ 62,199 (1982).

### The EA Process

We<sup>2</sup> are preparing this EA to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), which requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impact that could result if it authorizes Petal's proposal. By this notice, we are also asking federal, state, and local agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to formally cooperate with us in the preparation of the EA. Agencies that would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing comments provided below.

NEPA also requires the FERC 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 EA on important environmental issues. By this Notice, we are requesting public comments on the scope of the issues to address in the EA. All comments received are considered during the preparation of the EA.

The EA will discuss impacts that could occur as a result of the construction and operation of the proposed project under these general headings:

- Geology and soils
- Water resources and wetlands
- Land use
- Cultural resources
- Vegetation and wildlife (including threatened and endangered species)
- Air quality and noise
- Reliability and safety

We will also evaluate possible alternatives to the proposed project or portions of the project, where necessary, and make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid impacts on the various resource areas.

Our independent analysis of the issues will be presented in the EA. Depending on the comments received during the scoping process, the EA may be published and mailed to federal, state, and local agencies; public interest groups; interested individuals; affected landowners; local libraries and newspapers; and the Commission's official service list for this proceeding. A comment period will be allotted for review if the EA is published. We will consider all comments on the EA before we make our recommendations to the Commission.

To ensure your comments are considered, please carefully follow the

instructions in the Public Participation section below.

### Public Participation

You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the project. By becoming a commentor, your concerns will be addressed in the EA and considered by the Commission. You should focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impact.

The more specific your comments, the more useful they will 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: Kimberley D. Bose, 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 1, PJ-11.1;
- Reference Docket No. CP08-66-000; and
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before April 14, 2008.

The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments. See Title 18 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Internet Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the "eFiling" link and the link to the User's Guide. Prepare your submission in the same manner as you would if filing on paper and save it to a file on your hard drive. Before you can file comments you will need to create an account by clicking on "Login to File" and then "New User Account." You will be asked to select the type of filing you are making. This filing is considered a "Comment on Filing." In addition, there is a "Quick Comment" option available, which is an easy method for interested persons to submit text only comments on a project. The Quick-Comment User Guide can be viewed at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/quick-comment-guide.pdf>. Quick Comment does not require a FERC eRegistration account; however, you will be asked to provide a valid email address. All comments submitted under either eFiling or the Quick Comment option are placed in the public record for the specified docket.

### Becoming an Intervenor

In addition to involvement in the scoping process, you may want to become an official party to the proceeding known as an "intervenor." Intervenor play a more formal role in

the Commission's process. Among other things, intervenors have the right to receive copies of case-related Commission documents and filings by other intervenors. Likewise, each intervenor must send one electronic copy (using the Commission's eFiling system) or 14 paper copies of its filings to the Secretary of the Commission and must send a copy of its filings to all other parties on the Commission's service list for this proceeding. If you want to become an intervenor, you must file a motion to intervene according to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214) (see appendix 2)<sup>3</sup>. Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision.

Affected landowners and parties with environmental concerns may be granted intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have a clear and direct interest in this proceeding which would not be adequately represented by any other parties. You do not need intervenor status to have your environmental comments considered.

### Environmental Mailing List

As described above, we may mail the EA for comment. If you are interested in receiving an EA for review and/or comment, please return the Environmental Mailing List Mailer (appendix 3). If you do not return the Environmental Mailing List Mailer, you will be taken off the mailing list. All individuals who provide written comments will remain on our environmental mailing list for this project.

### 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, then 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 (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

<sup>2</sup> "We", "us", and "our" refer to the environmental staff of the FERC's Office of Energy Projects.

<sup>3</sup> Interventions may also be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See the previous discussion on filing comments electronically.

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.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 77-187]

**Pacific Gas and Electric Company; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment**

March 13, 2008.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's regulations, 18 CFR part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47879), the Commission has reviewed an application, filed January 31, 2008, requesting approval to temporarily amend article 52 of the Potter Valley Project license. The project is located on the Eel River and the East Branch

Russian River in Lake and Mendocino Counties, California.

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (licensee for the Potter Valley Project) requested approval to allow the diversion of additional water from the Eel River through the Potter Valley powerhouse for use by Potter Valley Irrigation District (PVID) for frost protection of commercial crops. The additional water would be provided to PVID between March 15 and April 14, 2008. The licensee would restore in Lake Pillsbury all additional water diverted for frost protection, starting on April 15, 2008, resulting in a water-neutral situation.

An environmental assessment (EA), prepared by Commission staff in the Office of Energy Projects, analyzed the probable environmental effects of the proposed amendment and has concluded that approval would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the EA is available for review at the Commission or may 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 documents. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at [ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov](mailto:ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov) or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

**Sunshine Act Meeting Notice**

March 13, 2008.

The following notice of meeting is published pursuant to section 3(a) of the government in the Sunshine Act (Pub. L. No. 94-409), 5 U.S.C. 552b:

**AGENCY HOLDING MEETING:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

**DATE AND TIME:** March 20, 2008, 10 a.m.

**PLACE:** Room 2C, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

**STATUS:** Open.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Agenda. Note—Items listed on the agenda may be deleted without further notice.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Telephone (202) 502-8400. For a recorded message listing items struck from or added to the meeting, call (202) 502-8627.

This is a list of matters to be considered by the Commission. It does not include a listing of all documents relevant to the items on the agenda. All public documents, however, may be viewed on line at the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the eLibrary link, or may be examined in the Commission's Public Reference Room.

**931th—Meeting**

*Regular Meeting*

March 20, 2008, 10 a.m.

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	RR07-3-002 .....	Delegation Agreement Between the North American Electric Reliability Corporation and Northeast Power Coordinating Council, Inc.
	RR07-4-002 .....	Delegation Agreement Between the North American Electric Reliability Corporation and ReliabilityFirst Corporation.