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### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This emergency information collection request contains: (1) New; (2) Information Collection Request Title: Department of Energy (DOE); (3) Type of Review: Emergency; (4) Purpose: To collect data on the status of activities, project progress, jobs created and retained, spend rates and performance metrics under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. This will ensure adequate information is available to support sound project management and to meet the transparency and accountability associated with the Recovery Act by requesting approval for monthly reporting; (5) Annual Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,700; (6) Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses: 14,800; (7) Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours: Approximately 93,240; (8) Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: \$13,986,000.

**Statutory Authority:** Title IV of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Pub. L. 11–5.

Issued in Washington, DC, on March 19, 2010.

#### Jay Hoffman,

Director, Office of Program Analysis & Evaluation, Office of CFO.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Combined Notice of Filings #1

March 18, 2010.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER96–1551–022; ER09–746–003; ER01–615–018.

Applicants: Public Service Company of New Mexico; Optim Energy Marketing, LLC.

Description: Public Service Company of New Mexico et al. submits Supplement to Triennial Market Power Update.

Filed Date: 03/08/2010. Accession Number: 20100315-0088.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, March 29, 2010.

Docket Numbers: ER06–733–007. Applicants: Midland Cogeneration Venture Limited Partnership.

Description: Notice of Non-Material Change in Status of Midland Cogeneration Venture Limited Partnership.

Filed Date: 03/15/2010.

Accession Number: 20100315–5240. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, April 5, 2010.

Docket Numbers: ER10–520–001.
Applicants: PJM Interconnection,
L.L.C.

Description: PJM Interconnection, LLC submits Wholesale Market Participation Agreement designated as Second Revised Service Agreement No. 1688, effective 2/28/2010 with WM Renewable Energy LLC et al.

Filed Date: 03/17/2010. Accession Number: 20100318–0204.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, April 7, 2010.

Docket Numbers: ER10–730–000.
Applicants: Wheelabrator Portsmouth
Inc.

Description: Supplemental Information of Wheelabrator Portsmouth Inc.

Filed Date: 03/09/2010.

Accession Number: 20100309–5082. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, March 30, 2010.

Docket Numbers: ER10–854–001. Applicants: CornerStone Power Development, LLC.

Description: CornerStone Power Development, LLC submits updates to the market based rate application filed 3/12/2010.

Filed Date: 03/16/2010.

Accession Number: 20100317–0208. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, March 26, 2010.

Docket Numbers: ER10–900–000. Applicants: Black Hills Power, Inc. Description: Black Hills Power Inc submits notice of cancellation of its Rate Schedule FERC No. 48.

Filed Date: 03/17/2010.

Accession Number: 20100318–0203. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, April 7, 2010.

Docket Numbers: ER10–901–000. Applicants: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. Description: PJM Interconnection, LLC submits executed Wholesale Market Participation Agreement with Dauphin County Industrial Development Authority and PPL Electric Utilities Corporation. Filed Date: 03/17/2010.

Accession Number: 20100318–0202. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, April 7, 2010.

Docket Numbers: ER10–902–000. Applicants: ISO New England Inc. & New England Power Pool.

Description: ISO New England Inc et al. submit revised tariff sheets

implementing changes to Market Rule 1. Filed Date: 03/17/2010.

Accession Number: 20100318–0201. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, April 7, 2010.

Docket Numbers: ER10–905–000. Applicants: California Power Exchange Corporation.

Description: Petition to Extend Existing Wind-Up Charge Settlement of California Power Exchange Corporation. Filed Date: 03/18/2010.

Accession Number: 20100318–5034. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, April 8, 2010.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric reliability filings:

Docket Numbers: RR10–8–000. Applicants: North American Electric Reliability Corporation.

Description: Errata to the North American Electric Reliability Corporation 3/15/10 filing, to Correct Attachment 1 of NERC's March 15, 2010 Petition for Approval of Amendments to the NERC Rules of Procedure Regarding the CCC Program.

Filed Date: 03/16/2010. Accession Number: 20100316–5079. Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, April 6, 2010.

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 dockets(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call

## Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP10-50-000]

Petal Gas Storage, L.L.C.; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Cavern 12A Conversion Gas Storage Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

March 19, 2010.

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 Cavern 12A Conversion Gas Storage Project involving construction and operation of facilities proposed by Petal Gas Storage, L.L.C. (Petal) in Forrest County, Mississippi. This 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 we will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies on the project. Your input will help the Commission staff determine what issues need to be evaluated in the EA. Please note that the scoping period will close on April 23, 2010.

This notice is being sent to the Commission's current environmental mailing list for this project. State and local government representatives are asked to notify their constituents of this proposed 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 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?" was attached to the project notice that Petal provided to landowners. 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 also available for viewing on the FERC Web site (http://www.ferc.gov).

## Summary of the Proposed Project

Petal proposes to purchase an existing salt-brine storage cavern (12A) from an affiliate, and convert it into a natural gas storage cavern. The proposed facilities would mostly be within Petal's existing storage field on the Petal Salt Dome. The project would increase Petal's firm natural gas storage capacity to meet anticipated growing demand for storage services in the Southeastern United States. Petal would rework the existing well and expand the underground storage capacity of Cavern 12A through solution mining. Cavern 12A would have an overall capacity of about 8.2 billion cubic feet (Bcf), consisting of 5.0 Bcf of working gas and 3.2 Bcf of cushion gas.

The proposed facilities include:

- Existing Cavern 12A to be converted from brine storage to natural gas storage;
- New 16-inch-diamter pipeline, about 1,525-feet-long, connecting Cavern 12A with Petal's existing withdrawal header between existing Caverns 6 and 7; and
- New appurtenant facilities grouped near existing Petal Compressor Station 2, including a withdrawal separator, heat exchanger, hot oil pump, pressure regulator, and Triethylene Glycol contactor and regeneration skid.

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

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

Petal estimated that about 39 acres of land would be disturbed by construction of the proposed facilities. About 5.8 acres would be retained for Petal's permanent operational easement, following construction. The remaining temporary construction acreage would be restored to its former condition and uses.

#### The EA Process

The National Environmental Policy Act (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. NEPA also requires us 2 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 the important environmental issues. By this notice, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of the issues to be addressed in the EA. All comments received will be considered during the preparation of the EA.

In the EA we 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;
- Vegetation and wildlife;
- Cultural resources;
- Land use:
- Air quality and noise; and
- Safety and reliability.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the Federal Register. Copies of appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail and are available at http://www.ferc.gov using the link called "eLibrary" 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 last page of this notice.