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**PROCEDURAL MATTERS:** Any person desiring to be heard in this proceeding should file a comment or protest to the application at the address provided above. Protests should be filed in accordance with Rule 211 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211). Any person desiring to become a party to these proceedings should file a motion to intervene at the above address in accordance with FERC Rule 214 (18 CFR 385.214). Five copies of such comments, protests, or motions to intervene should be sent to the address provided above on or before the date listed above.

Comments and other filings concerning Shell Energy's application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with OE Docket No. EA-339-B. An additional copy is to be provided directly to both Serena A. Rwejuna, Bracewell LLP, 2001 M Street, NW, Suite 900, Washington, DC 20036 and David L. Smith, Shell Energy North America (US), L.P., 1000 Main, Suite 1200, Houston, TX 77002.

A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to DOE's National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures (10 CFR part 1021) and after a determination is made by DOE that the proposed action will not have an adverse impact on the sufficiency of supply or reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above, by accessing the program website at <http://energy.gov/node/11845>, or by emailing Angela Troy at [Angela.Troy@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Angela.Troy@hq.doe.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[OE Docket Nos. EA-444, EA-445, EA-446, EA-447, EA-448, EA-449 and EA-450]

### Application To Export Electric Energy; Emera Energy Services Subsidiaries

**AGENCY:** Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** Seven power marketing subsidiaries of Emera Incorporated (Emera) have applied for authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada pursuant to the Federal Power Act.

**DATES:** Comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be submitted on or before May 9, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, protests, motions to intervene, or requests for more information should be addressed to: Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Mail Code: OE-20, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585-0350. Because of delays in handling conventional mail, it is recommended that documents be retransmitted by overnight mail, by electronic mail to [Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Electricity.Exports@hq.doe.gov), or by facsimile to 202-586-8008.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated by the Department of Energy (DOE) pursuant to sections 301(b) and 402(f) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7151(b), 7172(f)) and require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. § 824a(e)).

On February 22, 2018, seven subsidiaries of Emera each separately applied to DOE for authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada as a power marketer for a five-year term using existing international transmission facilities. The Applicants are: Emera Energy Services Subsidiary No. 9 LLC (EESS-9) (OE Docket No. EA-444); Emera Energy Services Subsidiary No. 10 LLC (EESS-10) (OE Docket No. EA-445); Emera Energy Services Subsidiary No. 11 LLC (EESS-11) (OE Docket No. EA-446); Emera Energy Services Subsidiary No. 12 LLC (EESS-12) (OE Docket No. EA-447); Emera Energy Services Subsidiary No. 13 LLC (EESS-13) (OE Docket No. EA-448); Emera Energy Services Subsidiary No. 14 LLC (EESS-14) (OE Docket No. EA-449); and Emera Energy Services Subsidiary No. 15 LLC (EESS-15) (OE Docket No. EA-450).

In its application, each Applicant states that it does not own or control

any electric generation or transmission facilities, and it does not have a franchised service area. The electric energy that each Applicant proposes to export to Canada would be surplus energy purchased from third parties such as electric utilities and Federal power marketing agencies pursuant to voluntary agreements. The existing international transmission facilities to be utilized by the Applicant have previously been authorized by Presidential Permits issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended, and are appropriate for open access transmission by third parties.

*Procedural Matters:* Any person desiring to be heard in this proceeding should file a comment or protest to the application at the address provided above. Protests should be filed in accordance with Rule 211 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211). Any person desiring to become a party to these proceedings should file a motion to intervene at the above address in accordance with FERC Rule 214 (18 CFR 385.214). Five copies of such comments, protests, or motions to intervene should be sent to the address provided above on or before the date listed above.

Comments and other filings concerning the Applicant's application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with OE Docket Nos. EA-444, EA-445, EA-446, EA-447, EA-448, EA-449 or EA-450 as listed above. An additional copy is to be provided to both Michael G. Henry, Emera Energy Services, Inc., 101 Federal St., Suite 1101, Boston, MA 02110 and to Bonnie A. Suchman, Esq., Suchman Law LLC, 8104 Paisley Place, Potomac, MD 20854.

A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to DOE's National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures (10 CFR part 1021) and after a determination is made by DOE that the proposed action will not have an adverse impact on the sufficiency of supply or reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above, by accessing the program website at <http://energy.gov/node/11845>, or by emailing Angela Troy at [Angela.Troy@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Angela.Troy@hq.doe.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP18-39-000; CP18-40-000]

#### Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review of the Questar Southern Trail Pipeline Company Southern Trail Pipeline Abandonment Project; Navajo Tribal Utility Authority

On December 22, 2017, Questar Southern Trail Pipeline Company (Questar) filed an application in Docket No. CP18-39-000 requesting permission pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act to abandon all of its certificated facilities, part by sale to Navajo Tribal Utility Authority and part in place. The proposed Southern Trail Pipeline Abandonment Project (Project) includes the abandonment of about 488 miles of natural gas pipeline and related facilities located in California, Arizona, Utah, and New Mexico.

On December 22, 2017, the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority filed a related application in Docket No. CP18-40-000 requesting a service area determination pursuant to section 7(f) of the Natural Gas Act to utilize those acquired facilities to provide to its own service.

On January 3, 2018, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) issued its Notice of Applications for the proposals. Among other things, that notice alerted agencies issuing federal authorizations of the requirement to complete all necessary reviews and to reach a final decision on a request for a federal authorization within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Project. This instant notice identifies the FERC staff's planned schedule for the completion of the EA for the Project.

#### Schedule for Environmental Review

Issuance of EA—April 25, 2018

90-day Federal Authorization Decision Deadline—July 24, 2018

If a schedule change becomes necessary, additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies are kept informed of the Project's progress.

#### Project Description

Questar proposes to abandon about 488 miles of natural gas pipeline and related facilities located in California, Arizona, Utah, and New Mexico. About 220 miles proposed for abandoned in place are in San Bernardino County, California and Mohave, Yavapai, Coconino and Apache Counties, Arizona. About 268 miles would be abandoned by sale are in Coconino, Navajo and Apache Counties, Arizona; San Yuan County, New Mexico and San Yuan County, Utah.

#### Background

On February 8, 2018, the Commission issued a *Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Southern Trail Pipeline Abandonment Project (Project) and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues (NOI)*. The NOI was sent to affected landowners; federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. In response to the NOI, the Commission received comments from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and one landowner (Atkinson Trading Company). The primary issues raised by the commentors are purpose and need; water resources; fish and wildlife; cultural resources and tribal consultation; air quality and noise; impacts on landowners, including eminent domain; cumulative impacts; and alternatives.

#### Additional Information

In order to receive notification of the issuance of the EA and to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription. 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 [www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp](http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp).

Additional information about the Project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (866) 208-FERC or on the FERC website ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)). Using the eLibrary link, select General Search from the eLibrary menu, enter the selected date range and Docket Number excluding the last three digits (*i.e.*, CP18-39 and CP18-40), and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to eLibrary, the helpline can be reached at (866) 208-3676, TTY (202) 502-8659,

or at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov). The eLibrary link on the FERC website also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rule makings.

Dated: April 3, 2018.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

#### Filings Instituting Proceedings

*Docket Numbers:* RP18-664-000.

*Applicants:* Horizon Pipeline Company, L.L.C.

*Description:* Penalty Revenue Crediting Report of Horizon Pipeline Company, L.L.C.

*Filed Date:* 3/29/18.

*Accession Number:* 20180329-5371.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 4/10/18.

*Docket Numbers:* RP18-665-000.

*Applicants:* Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America.

*Description:* Penalty Revenue Crediting Report of Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America LLC.

*Filed Date:* 3/29/18.

*Accession Number:* 20180329-5372.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 4/10/18.

*Docket Numbers:* RP18-666-000.

*Applicants:* Bison Pipeline LLC.

*Description:* Company Use Gas

Annual Report of Bison Pipeline LLC.

*Filed Date:* 3/28/18.

*Accession Number:* 20180328-5289.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 4/9/18.

*Docket Numbers:* RP18-667-000.

*Applicants:* Iroquois Gas

Transmission System, L.P.

*Description:* Annual Fuel and Losses

Retention Calculations of Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.

*Filed Date:* 3/29/18.

*Accession Number:* 20180329-5373.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 4/10/18.

*Docket Numbers:* RP18-668-000.

*Applicants:* Rockies Express Pipeline LLC.

*Description:* Annual Incidental Purchases and Sales Report of Rockies Express Pipeline LLC.

*Filed Date:* 3/30/18.

*Accession Number:* 20180330-5318.

*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 4/11/18.