

30. American Electric Power Service Corporation

[Docket No. ER97-4723-000]

Take notice that on September 22, 1997, the American Electric Power Service Corporation (AEPSC), tendered for filing executed service agreements under the AEP companies' Power Sales Tariff. The Power Sales Tariff was accepted for filing effective October 1, 1995, and has been designated AEP Companies' FERC Electric Tariff First Revised Volume No. 2. AEPSC requests waiver of notice to permit the service agreements to be made effective for service billed on and after August 24, 1997.

A copy of the filing was served upon the Parties and the State Utility Regulatory Commissions of Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.

Comment date: October 24, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

31. Southern California Edison Company, The Montana Power Company, Nevada Power Company, PacifiCorp, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, and Sierra Pacific Power Company

[Docket No. ER97-4724-000]

Take notice that on September 22, 1997, Southern California Edison Company ("Edison"), tendered for filing the revised Western Systems Coordinating Council ("WSCC") Unscheduled Flow Mitigation Plan ("Revised Plan") which alters the methodology for calculating unscheduled flow mitigation dues to be paid by WSCC Members. The Montana Power Company, Nevada Power Company, PacifiCorp, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, and Sierra Pacific Power Company have tendered Certificates of Concurrence supporting the filing. Copies of the filing were served upon all the WSCC Members and all the state utility commissions in which the WSCC Members provide retail electric service.

Comment date: October 24, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

32. Cinergy Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER97-4725-000]

Take notice that on September 23, 1997, Cinergy Services, Inc. (Cinergy), tendered for filing a service agreement under Cinergy's Open Access Transmission Service Tariff (the Tariff) entered into between Cinergy and e prime, inc. (E prime).

Cinergy and e prime are requesting an effective date of August 31, 1997.

Comment date: October 24, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

33. Southern Indiana Gas & Electric Company

[Docket No. OA96-117-002]

Take notice that on September 23, 1997, Southern Indiana Gas & Electric Company tendered for filing its compliance filing in the above-referenced docket.

Comment date: October 24, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraph

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. 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 motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP97-276-000]

Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Line 1-A Reactivation Project

October 15, 1997.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) on the natural gas pipeline facilities proposed by Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation (Texas Eastern) in the above-referenced docket.

The EA was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The staff concludes that approval of the proposed project, with appropriate mitigating

measures, would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the proposed reactivation of Line 1-A in Chester and Delaware Counties, Pennsylvania, including:

- Reactivating about 22.7 miles of the 20-inch-diameter Line 1-A, which includes investigating and repairing/replacing 101 anomaly sites, if needed, and hydrostatically testing the entire length of the pipeline;
- Installing new regulating facilities at Eagle Compressor Station;
- Installing a delivery tap off Line 1-A for Texas Eastern's existing Planebrook Measuring and Regulating Station (M&R);
- Installing mainline valves at mileposts 6.8, 12.6, and 16.0;
- Installing delivery taps on Line 1-H and Line 1-A for PICO Energy Company's (PECO) new Hersheys Mill M&R Station;
- Installing delivery taps on Line 1-A and 1-H, and a new Brookhaven M&R Station at the existing Chester Junction site; and
- Replacing the existing temporary pig receiver with a permanent receiver at the Chester Junction site.

The purpose of the proposed facilities would be to allow Texas Eastern to deliver on a firm basis up to 120,000 dekatherms per day (Dth/d) of natural gas to PECO and 8,000 Dth/d to Mobil Oil Corporation.

The EA has been placed in the public files of the FERC. A limited number of copies of the EA are available for distribution and public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Room 2A, Washington, D.C. 20426, (202) 208-1371.

Copies of the EA have been mailed to Federal, state and local agencies, public interest groups, interested individuals, newspapers, and parties to this proceeding.

Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. To ensure consideration prior to a Commission decision on the proposal, it is important that we receive your comments before the date specified below. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send two copies of your comments to: Lois Cashell, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., N.E., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.

- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of the Environmental Review and Compliance Branch, PR-11.2

- Reference Docket No. CP97-276-000; and

- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before November 14, 1997.

Comments will be considered by the Commission but will not serve to make the commenter a party to the proceeding. Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214).

The date for filing timely motions to intervene in this proceeding has passed. Therefore, parties now seeking to file late interventions must show good cause, as required by Section 385.214(b)(3), why this time limitation should be waived. Environmental issues have been viewed as good cause for late intervention. You do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-690-000]

Florida Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed FGT 24" Calcasieu Pipeline Replacement Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

October 15, 1997.

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 construction and operation of the facilities proposed in the FGT 24" Calcasieu Pipeline Replacement Project.¹ This EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

Summary of the Proposed Project

Florida Gas Transmission Company (FGT) proposes to reroute one section

and replace, within the same right-of-way, two sections of its 24-inch-diameter mainline pipeline in Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana. The sections to be replaced are between mileposts 425.99 and 426.92 (section 1), 430.53 and 432.09 (section 2), and 432.17 and 432.40 (section 3).

Below is an explanation of the work involved.

Section 1: Abandon, 5,070 feet of existing 24-inch-diameter mainline and install about 8,883 feet of new 24-inch-diameter pipeline.

Section 2: Abandon about 8,236 feet of existing 24-inch-diameter mainline and install about 7,586 feet of new 24-inch-diameter pipeline located 10 feet south of the existing pipeline. The remaining 650 feet of new 24-inch-diameter pipeline would be north of the existing pipeline.

Section 3: Abandon about 1,239 feet of existing 24-inch-diameter mainline, and install about 1,239 feet of new 24-inch-diameter pipeline located 10 feet south of the existing mainline.

All of the facilities are in Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana. The pipeline sections must be replaced to comply with Department of Transportation Regulations.

The proposed facilities would cost about \$3,762,161.

The general location of the project facilities is shown in appendix 1.² If you are interested in obtaining procedural information, please write to the Secretary of the Commission.

Land Requirements for Construction

The replacement and relocation of the 3 sections of the 24-inch-diameter mainline pipeline would affect about 23 acres with 7 acres being needed for Section 1, 10 acres for Section 2, and 2 acres for Section 3. Section 1 would require an additional 4 acres for a new permanent right-of-way.

Temporary work spaces would require about 3 acres. FGT proposes to deliver pipeline to the site by truck and string the pipeline directly along the construction right-of-way. All other pipe fittings would be stored in a leased warehouse facility.

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 to discover and address concerns the public may have about proposals. We call this "scoping." The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the EA on the important environmental issues. By this Notice of Intent, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of the issues it will address in the EA. All comments received are considered during the preparation of the EA. State and local government representatives are encouraged to notify their constituents of this proposed action and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

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

- Geology and soils
- Water resources, fisheries, and wetlands
- Vegetation and wildlife
- Public safety
- Land use
- Cultural resources
- Endangered and threatened species

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

Our independent analysis of the issues will be 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, newspapers, libraries, and the Commission's official service list for this proceeding. A comment period will be allotted for review if the EPA is published. We will consider all comments on the EA before we make our recommendations to the Commission.

Currently Identified Environmental Issues

We have already identified several issues that we think deserve attention based on a preliminary review of the proposed facilities and the environmental information provided by FGT. This preliminary list of issues may be changed based on your comments and our analysis.

- A horizontal drill would be used to cross the Calcasieu River.
- A total of 11.9 acres of wetlands would be temporarily affected and 2.2 acres of wetlands would be permanently affected.

² The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the **Federal Register**. Copies are available from the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, or call (202) 208-1371. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail.

¹ Florida Gas Transmission Company's application was filed with the Commission under Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations.