

- Send two copies of your comments to: 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 Gas 2, PJ-11.2;

- Reference Docket No. CP00-14-000; and

- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before October 24, 2000.

In addition to written comments, we will hold public meetings in the project area to receive comments on the DEIS. All meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m., and are scheduled as follows:

Date and Location

September 26, 2000—Bayou La Batre Community Center, 12745 Padgett Switch Road, Bayou La Batre, Alabama, (334) 824-7918.

September 27, 2000—Community Center, U.S. Highway 41, Land O' Lakes, Florida, (813) 929-1229.

October 3, 2000—Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, 500 3rd Street, NW., Winter Haven, Florida, (863) 291-5820.

October 4, 2000—Holiday Inn, Bayhill Ballroom, 2145 E. Irlo Bronson Memorial Hwy., Kissimmee, Florida, (407) 846-4646.

October 5, 2000—City of Titusville, Council Chambers, 55 South Washington Ave., Titusville, Florida, (321) 383-5774.

Interested groups and individuals are encouraged to attend and present oral comments on environmental impact described in the DEIS. Transcripts of the meetings will be prepared.

After these comments are reviewed, any significant new issues are investigated, and modifications are made to the DEIS, a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) will be published and distributed by the staff. The FEIS will contain the staff's responses to timely comments filed on the DEIS.

Comments will be considered by the Commission but will not serve to make the commentor a party to the proceeding. Any person may file a motion to intervene on the basis of the Commission Staff's DEIS (see Title 18 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 385.214). You do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

All intervenors, agencies, elected officials, local governments, special interest groups, libraries, media, and anyone providing written comments on the DEIS will receive a copy of the FEIS. If you do not wish to comment on the DEIS but wish to receive a copy of the

FEIS, you must write to the Secretary of the Commission indicating this request.

The DEIS has been placed in the public files of the FERC and is available for distribution and public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 208-1371.

A limited number of copies are available from the Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch identified above. In addition, copies of the DEIS have been mailed to Federal, State and local agencies, public interest groups, individuals who have requested the DEIS, newspapers, and parties to this proceeding.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from Paul McKee in the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (202) 208-1088 or on the FERC website (www.ferc.fed.us), using the "RIMS" link to information in the docket numbers. For assistance with access to RIMS, the RIMS helpline can be reached at (202) 208-2222. Access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission with regard to these dockets, such as orders and notices, is also available on the FERC website using the "CIPS" link, for assistance with access to CIPS, the CIPS helpline can be reached at (202) 208-2474.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP00-6-000]

Gulfstream Natural Gas System, L.L.C.; Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Gulfstream Pipeline Project

August 30, 2000.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC of Commission) has prepared a draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) on natural gas pipeline facilities proposed by Gulfstream Natural Gas System, L.L.C. (Gulfstream) in the above-referenced docket. The application and other supplemental filings in this docket are available for viewing on the FERC Internet website (www.ferc.fed.us). Click on the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" from the RIMS menu, and following the instructions.

The DEIS was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The staff concludes that approval of the Gulfstream Pipeline Project, with appropriate mitigating measures as recommended, would have limited adverse environmental impact. The DEIS evaluates alternatives to the proposal, including system alternatives, route alternatives, and route variations.

The DEIS assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the proposed facilities in Mississippi, Alabama, and Florida and State and Federal waters in the Gulf of Mexico. Gulfstream proposes to construct about 744 miles of various diameter pipeline, 128,000 horsepower (hp) of compression, 1 pressure regulating station, 20 meter stations, 4 manifold stations, 12 tie-ins, 26 mainline valve sites, and 26 pig launchers or receivers.

The purpose of the Gulfstream Pipeline Project is to provide natural gas transportation service for up to 1.13 billion cubic feet per day (bcf/d) of natural gas from supply areas in Alabama and Mississippi, across the Gulf of Mexico, for delivery to new markets in central and eastern Florida. The primary market is for natural gas-fueled electric generation plants that are needed to meet the forecasted substantial increases in consumption in Florida driven by projected population growth over the next 10 to 20 years.

Comment Procedures and Public Meetings

Any person wishing to comment on the DEIS may do so. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send two copies of your comments: Davis Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426;

- Reference Docket No. CP00-6-000; and

- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before October 24, 2000.

In addition to accepting written comments, five public meetings to receive comments on this draft EIS will be held at the following times and locations.

Date and Location

September 26, 2000; 7:00 PM.—Bayou La Batre Community Center, 12745 Padgett Switch Road, Bayou La Batre, AL 36509, (334) 824-7918, (Joint meeting with Buccaneer).

September 27, 2000; 7:00 PM.—
Manatee High School, 1 Hurricane Lane,
Bradenton, FL 34205, (941) 714-7300.

October 3, 2000; 7:00 PM—Florida
Department of Agriculture and
Consumer Services, 500 3rd Street,
N.W., Winterhaven, FL 33881, (863)
291-5820, (Joint meeting with
Buccaneer).

October 4, 2000; 7:00 PM—Avon Park
High School, 700 East Main Street,
Avon Park, FL 33825, (863) 452-4311.

October 5, 2000; 7:00 PM—
Okeechobee High School, 2800 Hwy 441
North, Okeechobee, FL 34972, (863)
462-5025.

Interested groups and individuals are
encouraged to attend and present oral
comments on the environmental
impacts described in the DEIS.
Transcripts of the meetings will be
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any significant new issues are
investigated, and modifications are
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considered.

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Files Maintenance Branch identified
above. In addition, the DEIS has been
mailed to Federal, state, and local
agencies; public interest groups;
individuals, and affected landowners
who requested a copy of the DEIS;
libraries; newspapers; and parties to this
proceeding. The document is also
available for viewing on the FERC
website at www.ferc.fed.us, using the

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docket number. For assistance with
access to RIMS, the RIMS helpline can
be reached at (202) 208-2222.

Additional information about the
proposed project is available from Paul
McKee in the Commission's Office of
External Affairs, at (202) 208-1088 or on
the FERC website described in the
preceding paragraph. Access to the texts
of formal documents issued by the
Commission with regard to this docket,
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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6864-2]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Protection of Stratospheric Ozone—Phaseout Regulation

AGENCY: Environmental Protection
Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the
Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C.
3501 *et seq.*), this document announces
that EPA is planning to submit the
following renewal of the Information
Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of
Management and Budget (OMB): Record
Keeping and Periodic Reporting of the
Production, Import, Recycling,
Destruction, Transshipment and
Feedstock Use of Ozone-Depleting
Substances, EPA Number 1432.17; OMB
Number 2060-0170; with an extended
expiration date of 1/31/01. Before
submitting the ICR to OMB for review
and approval, EPA is soliciting
comments on specific aspects of the
proposed information collection as
described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on
or before November 6, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the material
supporting this ICR renewal notice are
available free of charge from The
Stratospheric Ozone Protection Hotline
at 1-800-269-1996 between the hours
of 10am and 4pm Eastern Standard
Time.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tom
Land, U.S. Environmental Protection

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Affected
Entities:* Entities potentially affected by
this action are those which produce,
import, export, destroy, transform as a
feedstock, and distribute controlled
ozone-depleting substances.

Title: Record Keeping and Periodic
Reporting of the Production, Import,
Recycling, Destruction, Transshipment
and Feedstock Use of Ozone-Depleting
Substances, EPA Number 1432.17; OMB
Number 2060-0170; with an extended
expiration date of 1/31/01.

Abstract: The international treaty The
Montreal Protocol on Substances that
Deplete the Ozone Layer (Protocol) and
Title VI of the Clean Air Act (CAA)
establish limits on total U.S. production,
import and export of class I and class II
controlled ozone-depleting substances.
The U.S. is obligated under the Protocol
to cease production and import of class
I controlled substances with exemptions
for essential-uses, previously used
material, and material that will be
transformed, destroyed or exported to
developing countries. The Protocol also
establishes limits and reduction
schedules leading to the eventual
phaseout of class II controlled
substances and methyl bromide with
similar exemptions beyond the
phaseout. The CAA has its own limits
on production and consumption of
controlled substances that EPA must
enforce using the information
submitted.

To ensure U.S. compliance with the
limits and restrictions established by the
Protocol and the CAA, the regulation
establishes control measures for
individual companies. The limits and
restrictions for individual U.S.
companies are monitored by EPA
through the reporting requirements
established in the regulation under 40
CFR Part 82, Subpart A. The
information submitted to EPA is entered
into the Stratospheric Protection
Tracking System. The Tracking System
allows EPA to conduct compliance
monitoring of individual companies, as
well as compliance monitoring for the
U.S. with respect to Protocol obligations
and statutory requirements under the
CAA.

EPA uses the information to direct
special attention to illegal activities
associated with the import of both
newly produced and previously used
controlled substances. Illegal imports
and the avoidance of the tax on these