facilities shall be located, and, with respect to natural gas that involves the construction of new domestic facilities, the place of entry for imports or exit for exports. DOE approves the importation or exportation of the natural gas commodity.<sup>2</sup> Additionally, pursuant to the DOE Delegation Order and Executive Order Nos. 10485 and 12038,

the Commission has the authority to issue Presidential Permits for natural gas facilities which cross an international border of the United States. Persons seeking Section 3 authorizations or Presidential Permits from the Commission file applications for such requests pursuant to part 153 of the Commission's Regulations.<sup>3</sup>

Type of Respondents: The respondents include all jurisdictional natural gas companies seeking authorization from the Commission to import or export natural gas.

Estimate of Annual Burden: 4 The Commission estimates the annual public reporting burden for the information collection as:

## FERC-539—GAS PIPELINE CERTIFICATES: IMPORT & EXPORT RELATED APPLICATIONS

Number of respondents (1)	Annual number of responses per respondent (2)	Total number of responses (1) * (2) = (3)	Average burden & cost per response 5 (4)	Total annual burden hours & total annual cost (3) * (4) = (5)	Cost per respondent (\$) (5) ÷ (1)
12	2	24	12 hrs.; \$864	288 hrs.; \$20,736	\$1,728

Comments: Comments are invited on: (1) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: April 7, 2016.

### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

#### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

# Notice of Commission Staff Attendance

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) hereby gives notice that members of the Commission's staff may attend the following meeting related to the transmission planning activities of NorthWestern Corporation, Deseret Generation & Transmission Cooperative, Inc., Portland General Electric Company, Idaho Power Company, and PacifiCorp:

## Northern Tier Transmission Group Quarter 1 Stakeholder Meeting

April 12, 2016 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (PDT)

The above-referenced meeting will be held at: Embassy Suites by Hilton Portland Airport, 7900 NE 82nd Ave., Portland, OR 97220.

The above-referenced meeting is open to stakeholders.

Further information may be found at <a href="http://www.nttg.biz/site/">http://www.nttg.biz/site/</a>.

The discussions at the meeting described above may address matters at issue in the following proceedings:

Docket No. ER16–778, MATL

Docket No. ER16–970, MATL

For more information, contact Natalie Propst, Office of Energy Market Regulation, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission at (202) 502–8896 or natalie.propst@ferc.gov.

Dated: April 7, 2016.

## 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: RP16–819–000. Applicants: Rockies Express Pipeline LLC.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Neg Rate 2016–04–02 CP to be effective 4/2/ 2016.

Filed Date: 4/4/16.

Accession Number: 20160404–5144. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 4/18/16.

Docket Numbers: RP16-820-000.

Applicants: Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: 04/04/16 Negotiated Rates—Consolidated Edison Energy Inc. (HUB) 2275–89 to be effective 4/3/2016.

Filed Date: 4/4/16.

Accession Number: 20160404–5213. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 4/18/16.

Docket Numbers: RP16–821–000. Applicants: Equitrans, L.P.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Assignment of PDC Mountaineer

Agreements to Mountaineer Keystone to be effective 4/1/2016. Filed Date: 4/5/16.

Accession Number: 20160405–5055. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 4/18/16.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and § 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

### **Filings in Existing Proceedings**

Docket Numbers: RP16-451-001.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Secretary of DOE's current delegation of authority to the Commission relating to import and export facilities was renewed by the Secretary's Delegation Order No. 00–004.00A, effective May 16, 2006.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Part 153, subpart B and subpart C.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The Commission defines burden as the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. For further explanation of what is included in the information collection burden, reference 5 Code of Federal Regulations 1320.3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The estimates for cost per response are derived using the 2015 FERC average salary plus benefits of \$149,489/year (or \$72.00/hour). Commission staff finds that the work done for this information collection is typically done by wage categories similar to those at FERC.

Applicants: Golden Pass Pipeline LLC.

Description: Compliance filing Revised Tariff Records per 03/29/2016 Order Re: Orders 587–W and 809 to be effective 4/20/2016.

Filed Date: 4/4/16.

Accession Number: 20160404–5264. Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 4/18/16.

Any person desiring to protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rule 211 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the links or querying the docket number.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf. For other information, call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Dated: April 5, 2016.

## Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP15-520-000]

## Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C.; Notice of Revised Schedule for Environmental Review of the Triad Expansion Project

This notice identifies the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission staff's revised schedule for the completion of the Environmental Assessment (EA) for Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C.'s (Tennessee) Triad Expansion Project. The previous notice of schedule, issued on December 9, 2015, identified April 6, 2016 as the issuance date of the EA. On February 12, 2016, Commission staff received supplemental information regarding a route variation from Tennessee that requires a revised schedule for issuance of the EA.

## Schedule for Environmental Review

Issuance of EA—June 15, 2016 90-Day Federal Authorization Decision Deadline—September 13, 2016

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

#### **Additional Information**

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

Dated: April 5, 2016.

### Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 1494-433]

## Grand River Dam Authority; Notice Granting Waiver Request To Reduce Comment Period From 60 to 30 Days on Draft Amendment Application

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

- a. Application Type: Request to reduce the comment period from 60 to 30 days for a draft amendment application to permanently modify the reservoir elevation rule curve under Article 401 of the project license.
  - b. Project No: 1494-433.
  - c. Date Filed: March 15, 2016.
- d. *Applicant:* Grand River Dam Authority (GRDA).
- e. *Name of Project:* Pensacola Hydroelectric Project.
- f. Location: The project is located on the Grand River in Craig, Delaware, Mayes, and Ottawa Counties, Oklahoma.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–825(r).
- h. Applicant Contact: Tamara Jahnke, Grand River Dam Authority, 226 West Dwain Willis Ave., P.O. Box 409, Vinita, OK 74301; telephone (918) 256–5545.
- i. FERC Contact: B. Peter Yarrington, telephone (202) 502–6129 and email peter.yarrington@ferc.gov; or Linda Stewart, telephone (202) 502–6680 and email linda.stewart@ferc.gov.
- j. Description of Waiver Request and Decision: On March 15, 2016, GRDA filed with the Commission: (1) A draft amendment application to permanently modify the reservoir elevation rule curve under Article 401 of the Pensacola Project for Grand Lake O' the Cherokees, (2) a request for a temporary variance contained in the draft amendment application, and (3) a waiver request to reduce from 60 to 30 days the comment period for resource agencies, Indian

tribes, and other stakeholders to provide comments to GRDA on its draft of the amendment application mentioned above before GRDA files it with the Commission. The Commission's regulations at 4.38(a)(7) require GRDA to provide resource agencies, Indian tribes, and other stakeholders 60 days to provide comments on the draft amendment application. GRDA requests Commission approval of a 30-day comment period to expedite the Commission's review of any final application filed with the Commission.

The Commission issued a public notice of GRDA's waiver request on March 16, 2016 requesting comments, motions to intervene, and protests by March 31, 2016. The Modoc Tribe of Oklahoma filed a protest and comments on March 31, 2016. However, the protest and comments are related to any final amendment application GRDA may file with the Commission. The protest and comments did not address the waiver request described in the Commission's public notice. No other protests or comments were received. Since there were no objections to GRDA's waiver request to reduce the comment period from 60 to 30 days as described above, the waiver is approved and comments on GRDA's draft amendment application must be submitted to GRDA within the requested 30-day period (due by April 14, 2016).

Note that the Modoc Tribe's concerns and comments contained in its March 31, 2016 letter, have been filed with the Commission and will be considered in the Commission's review of any final amendment application GRDA files with the Commission.

Dated: April 5, 2016.

### Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2246-000]

### Yuba County Water Agency; Notice of Authorization for Continued Project Operation

On April 28, 2014 Yuba County Water Agency, licensee for the Yuba River Project, filed an Application for a New License pursuant to the Federal Power Act (FPA) and the Commission's regulations thereunder. The Yuba River Project facilities are located on the Yuba River, North Yuba River, the Middle