o. Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of the notice of ready for environmental analysis.

#### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

#### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP08-86-000]

### Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company; Notice of Application

March 7, 2008.

Take notice that on February 27, 2008, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company ("Tennessee"), 1001 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas 77002, filed in Docket No. CP08-86-000, a petition for Exemption of Temporary Acts and Operations from Certificate Requirements, pursuant to Rule 207(a)(5) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, and section 7(c)(1)(B) of the Natural Gas Act, seeking approval of an exemption from certificate requirements to perform temporary activities related to drilling a stratigraphic test well to determine the feasibility of developing an underground natural gas storage facility in the Carter/Lewis formations in the State of Mississippi, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits, in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call (202) 502-8659 or TTY, (202) 208-3676.

Any questions concerning this petition may be directed to Melissa G. Freeman, Senior Counsel, El Paso Corporation, 1001 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas 77002 at (713) 420–3496 and e-mail at

missy.freeman@elpaso.com.

Pursuant to Section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other

milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission.

Environmental commentors will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's

environmental review process.
Environmental commentors will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties.
However, the non-party commentors will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at http://www.ferc.gov. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov">http://www.ferc.gov</a>, using the "eLibrary" link and is 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 docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail <a href="ferc.gov">FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov</a>, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Comment Date: March 17, 2008.

### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP07-417-000]

Texas Gas Transmission, LLC; Notice of Availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement and Public Comment Meeting for the Proposed Fayetteville/Greenville Expansion Project

March 7, 2008.

The staff of the Federal Energy
Regulatory Commission (FERC or
Commission) has prepared this Final
Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)
for the natural gas pipeline facilities
proposed by Texas Gas Transmission,
LLC's (Texas Gas) under the abovereferenced docket. Texas Gas's
Fayetteville/Greenville Expansion
Project (Project) would be located in
Faulkner, Cleburne, White, Woodruff,

St. Francis, Lee, and Phillips Counties, Arkansas; and Coahoma, Washington, Sunflower, Humphreys, Holmes, and Attalla Counties, Mississippi.

The Final EIS was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The FERC staff concludes that the proposed Project, with the appropriate mitigation measures as recommended, would have limited adverse environmental impact.

The purpose of the Project is to add pipeline capacity to Texas Gas's existing interstate pipeline system to transport the new natural gas supplies being developed from the Fayetteville Shale gas production area in north-central Arkansas to markets in the mid-western, northeastern, and southeastern United States. Texas Gas is proposing to construct at total of about 262.6 miles of 36-inch-diameter pipeline in two separate pipeline laterals, two tie-in laterals, a compressor station, and associated ancillary facilities.

The Final EIS addresses the potential environmental impacts resulting from the construction and operation of the following facilities:

- Fayetteville Lateral: 166.2 miles of 36-inch-diameter pipeline in Faulkner, Cleburne, White, Woodruff, St. Francis, Lee, and Phillips Counties, Arkansas, and Coahoma County, Mississippi;
- Greenville Lateral: 96.4 miles of 36inch-diameter pipeline in Washington, Sunflower, Humphreys, Holmes, and Attalla Counties, Mississippi;
- 36-inch tie-in lateral: 0.8 mile of 36inch-diameter pipeline in Attalla County, Mississippi;
- 20-inch tie-in lateral: 0.4 mile of 20-inch-diameter pipeline in Attalla County, Mississippi;
- The 10,650 horsepower Kosciusko Compressor Station in Attalla County, Mississippi;
- Twenty-nine metering and regulating stations; and
- Three pig launchers and three pig

The entire project would be capable of transporting about 841,000 million British thermal units per day (Btu/d) of natural gas on the Fayetteville Lateral and about 768,000 MMBtu/d on the Greenville Lateral. Texas Gas proposes to construct the pipeline facilities in two phases. Phase I would include construction of the first 66 miles of the Fayetteville Lateral and related facilities from Conway County to the Bald Knob area of White County, Arkansas. Phase II would include construction of the remaining 100 miles of the Fayetteville Lateral from White County, Arkansas, to Coahoma County, Mississippi, the entire Greenville Lateral and associated tie-in laterals, and the Kosciusko Compressor

Station. Texas Gas proposes beginning construction of both Phases I and II in June 2008. However, Phase I would be placed in service by August 1, 2008, and Phase II would be placed in service by January 1, 2009.

The Final EIS has been placed in the public files of the FERC and is available for public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference Room, 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502–8371.

A limited number of copies of the Final EIS are available from the Public Reference Room identified above. In addition, CD copies of the Final EIS have been mailed to affected landowners; various federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; local libraries and newspapers; intervenors; and other individuals that expressed an interest in the proposed Project. Hard-copies of the Final EIS have also been mailed to those who requested that format during the scoping and comment periods for the proposed Project.

Additional information about the proposed Project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at 1–866–208–FERC or on the FERC Internet website (http://www.ferc.gov).

To access information via the FERC website click on the "eLibrary" link then click on "General Search" and enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field. Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. The "eLibrary" link provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings. For assistance with "eLibrary", please contact FERC Online Support at FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1–866–208–3676, or for TTY, contact (202)502–8659.

In addition, the Commission now offers a free service called eSubscription which allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. 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 these documents. To learn more about eSubscription and to sign-up for this service please go to <a href="http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm">http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm</a>.

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Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP08-72-000]

Northern Border Pipeline Company; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Des Plaines Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

March 7, 2008.

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 proposed Des Plaines Project (Project). The Project is proposed by Northern Border Pipeline Company (Northern Border) and involves construction and operation of a new natural gas compressor and meter station near Channahon in Will County, Illinois. The EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether or not to authorize the Project.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping process the Commission will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies on the Project. Your input will help determine which issues need to be evaluated in the EA. State and local government representatives are asked to notify their constituents of this proposed Project and to encourage them to comment on their areas of concern. Details on how to submit comments are provided in the Public Participation section of this notice. Please note that the scoping period will close on April 7, 2008.

This notice is being sent to affected landowners; federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; Native American tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. Affected landowners include all landowners who own land within 0.5 mile of the proposed compressor facility. Northern Border's proposed facilities would occupy a parcel of land owned by Northern Border. Northern Border has not proposed to acquire any easements to construct, operate, or maintain the proposed Project facilities.

A number of fact sheets prepared by the FERC, including "An Interstate Natural Gas Facility On My Land? What Do I Need To Know?" and "Guide to Electronic Information at FERC," are available for viewing on the FERC Internet Web site (http://www.ferc.gov), using the "For Citizens" link. These fact sheets address a number of typically