

USAMRIID facilities within the National Interagency Biodefense Campus on Area A of Fort Detrick and near the biomedical research facilities of mission partners, including the Agricultural Research Service Foreign Disease-Weed Research Unit of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases' Integrated Research Facility, and the Department of Homeland Security's National Biodefense Analysis and Countermeasures Center. The existing USAMRIID facilities on Area A would be decommissioned and either demolished and/or re-used following occupancy of the new USAMRIID facilities.

The construction would occur in two stages. Stage 1 would provide approximately 700,000 gross square feet (gsf) of new building space for the replacement of outdated and compressed existing USAMRIID facilities in order to sustain the current mission and to expand medical test and evaluation (T&E) capacity in support of immediate Department of Defense (DoD) and national demand. Stage 2 would encompass approximately 400,000 gsf of new building space for the balance of USAMRIID's expanded mission and for additional capacity to meet intensified national requirements for medical test and evaluation in support of biodefense research as well as to accommodate increased collaborative efforts among USAMRIID's mission partners. In addition, approximately 200,000 gsf of the existing USAMRIID facilities may be renovated and re-used for laboratory or non-laboratory use, to be determined by evolving biodefense requirements.

The significant issues analyzed in the FEIS included: Safety of laboratory operations and demolition of the existing biocontainment laboratories; public health and safety; handling, collection, treatment, and disposal of research wastes; water supply and other utility requirements; traffic; pollution prevention; and analysis of other risks to include discussion of the risk of terrorist attack. In addition, possible adverse health and safety impacts on laboratory workers in the proposed new USAMRIID facilities and on nearby residents during the operational phase of the project were identified and evaluated. The risks were deemed to be negligible and mitigable through adherence to "Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories" (BMBL) and other standards for safe operational practices.

Three alternatives were considered: Construction and Operation of New USAMRIID Facilities and Decommissioning and Demolition of the

Existing USAMRIID Facilities on Area A of Fort Detrick, Maryland (Alternate I), Construction and Operation of New USAMRIID Facilities and Decommissioning and Partial Demolition of the Existing USAMRIID Facilities and Re-Use of the Remaining Facilities on Area A of Fort Detrick, Maryland (Alternate II), and the No Action Alternative, under which the proposed new USAMRIID facilities would not be built and operated and the existing USAMRIID facilities would not be decommissioned and demolished and/or re-used.

Following the end of the 30-day waiting period, a decision will be made by the U.S. Army as to which of the alternatives will be implemented. This decision will be based on consideration of a number of factors. These factors include, but are not limited to, environmental considerations, laws and regulations, mission needs (at Fort Detrick as well as from a national perspective), budget considerations, schedule, and public concerns. A Record of Decision will then be executed.

Dated: December 18, 2006.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP06-351-003]

Bluewater Gas Storage, LLC; Notice of Compliance Filing

December 21, 2006.

Take notice that, on December 15, 2006, Bluewater Gas Storage, LLC (Bluewater) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, Substitute Original Sheet No. 106, to be effective December 1, 2006.

Any person desiring to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rule 211 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). Protests to this filing 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. Such protests must be filed on or before the date as indicated below. Anyone filing a protest must serve a copy of that document on all the parties to the proceeding.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests 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 to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, 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 email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on January 5, 2007.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER06-615-002]

California Independent System Operator Corporation; Notice Inviting Comments

December 21, 2006.

On December 14 and 15, 2006, the Commission held a technical conference to address issues related to the California Independent System Operator Corporation's (CAISO) electric tariff, which reflects the Market Redesign and Technology Upgrade (MRTU). The purpose of the technical conference was to provide parties an opportunity to identify and discuss solutions to resolve alleged MRTU-related seams issues that exist between the CAISO and neighboring systems, in accordance with the directive of the Commission's September 21, 2006 Order conditionally accepting the CAISO's proposed MRTU electric tariff.

All interested persons are invited to file written comments no later than January 16, 2007 in relation to the issues that were the subject of the technical conference. Those filing comments are encouraged to specifically identify any seams concerns they may have, prioritize which of those concerns they believe must be addressed prior to the

implementation of MRTU, and propose a workplan for addressing those concerns.

Filing Requirements for Paper and Electronic Filings

Comments, papers, or other documents related to this proceeding may be filed in paper format or electronically. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. Those filing electronically do not need to make a paper filing.

Documents filed electronically via the Internet must be prepared in MS Word, Portable Document Format, or ASCII format. To file the document, access the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov>, click on "e-Filing" and then follow the instructions for each screen. First time users will have to establish a user name and password. The Commission will send an automatic acknowledgement to the sender's e-mail address upon receipt of comments. User assistance for electronic filing is available at 202-502-8258 or by e-mail to efiling@ferc.gov. Do not submit comments to this e-mail address.

For paper filings, the original and 14 copies of the comments should be submitted to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426 and should refer to the above-referenced docket number.

All written comments will be placed in the Commission's public files and will be available for inspection at the Commission's Public Reference Room, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, during regular business hours.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP06-85-002; CP07-41-000]

CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Application

December 21, 2006.

On December 15, 2006, in Docket No. CP06-85-002, CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company (CEGT), pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, as amended, and section 157 Subpart A of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, filed requests to modify the certificated Phase I and Phase II Line CP facilities to increase the certificated

capacity of Line CP by approximately 36,000 Dth/d and to increase the maximum allowable operating pressure from 1000 psig to 1168 psig, pending approval by the Department of Transportation of CEGT's petition for waiver of DOT's regulations to allow CEGT to operate Line CP at 80 percent of Specified Minimum Yield Strength. In Docket No. CP07-41-000, CEGT seeks authorization to construct, own and operate 30,000 hp of additional compression for a Phase III Expansion of Line CP that will increase the capacity of the line by an additional 280,000 Dth/d. CEGT would install a 15,000 hp compressor respectively at the new Westdale Station in Red River Parish, Louisiana and at the existing Panola Station in Panola County, Texas, all as more fully described in the application. CEGT seeks issuance of the requested authorizations by May 1, 2007 so that facilities may be operable in time for the 2007-2008 winter heating season.

Questions concerning the application should be directed to: Lawrence O. Thomas, Director-Rates & Regulatory at CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Co., P.O. Box 21734, Shreveport, Louisiana 71151, or by calling (318) 429-2804; Mark C. Schroeder, Vice President & General Counsel at CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Co., P.O. Box 1700, Houston, TX 77210-1700, or by calling (713) 207-3395; and, Richard D. Avil, Jr. and Jonathan Christian at Jones Day, 51 Louisiana Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20001 or by calling 202-879-3939.

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, 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.

Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. The Commission strongly encourages intervenors to file electronically. 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.

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Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on January 23, 2007.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP07-111-000]

Cheyenne Plains Gas Pipeline Company, LLC; Notice of Proposed Changes In Ferc Gas Tariff

December 21, 2006.

Take notice that on December 18, 2006, Cheyenne Plains Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C. (Cheyenne Plains) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, the