

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP07-430-000]

Kinder Morgan Interstate Gas Transmission, LLC; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Colorado Lateral Expansion Project

January 11, 2008.

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 Kinder Morgan Interstate Gas Transmission, LLC (Kinder Morgan) in the above-referenced docket. Kinder Morgan's proposal (the Colorado Lateral Expansion Project) is to construct about 41.4 miles of 12-inch-diameter pipeline in Weld County, Colorado.

The EA was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. 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 Colorado Lateral Expansion Project, as well as five lateral distribution pipelines totaling 10.8 miles, also in Weld County, Colorado.

The purpose of the Colorado Lateral Expansion Project is to provide an additional reliable source of natural gas to Greeley, Colorado. This project would add 57 million cubic feet per day of pipeline capacity from the Cheyenne Hub to distribution points in the Greeley market area.

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 Room, 888 First Street NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426.

Copies of the EA have been mailed to federal, state, and local agencies; public interest groups; newspapers and libraries in the project area; parties to the proceeding; and those who have expressed an interest in this project by returning the August 30, 2007 *Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Colorado Lateral Expansion Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues*.

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 as specified below. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send an original and two copies of your comments to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426;
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of Gas Branch 1, PJ-11.1;
- Reference Docket No. CP07-430-000; and
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before February 11, 2008.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing of any comments, interventions, or protests to this proceeding. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions of the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the "e-Filing" link and the link to the User's Guide. Before you can file comments you will need to create a free account by clicking on "Login to File" and then "New User Account." You will be asked to select the type of filing you are making. This filing is considered a "Comment on Filing."

Comments will be considered by the Commission but will not serve to make the commentor 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). Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision. Anyone may intervene in this proceeding based on this EA. You must file your request to intervene as specified above.¹ You do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at 1-866-208-FERC or on the FERC Internet Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the eLibrary link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on "General Search" and enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field (*i.e.*, CP07-430). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY,

¹ Interventions may also be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See the previous discussion of filing comments electronically.

contact (202) 502-8659. The eLibrary link on the FERC Internet website also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

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 notifications of these filings, document summaries and direct links to the documents. Go to the eSubscription link on the FERC Internet website.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project Nos. 2436-235; 2447-226; 2448-229; 2449-194; 2450-190; 2451-189; 2452-199; 2453-223; 2468-204; 2580-255; 2599-222]

Consumers Energy Company; Notice of Filing of Projects Retirement Study Report and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

January 11, 2008.

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

- a. *Filing Type:* Projects Retirement Study Report.
- b. *Project Nos:* 2436-235, 2447-226, 2448-229, 2449-194, 2450-190, 2451-189, 2452-199, 2453-223, 2468-204, 2580-255, and 2599-222.
- c. *Date Filed:* June 4, 2007.
- d. *Applicant:* Consumers Energy Company.
- e. *Name of Projects:* Foote, Alcona, Mio, Loud, Cooke, Rogers, Hardy, Five Channels, Croton, Tippy, and Hodenpyl.
- f. *Location:* on the Au Sable, Manistee, and Muskegon Rivers in Iosco, Alcona, Oscoda, Manistee, Wexford, Newaygo and Mecosta Counties, Michigan.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Articles 204 and 205 of the licenses.
- h. *Applicant Contact:* William A. Schoenlein, Director of Hydro Generation, Consumers Energy Company, 330 Chestnut Street, Cadillac, MI 49601-1821, (231) 779-5504.
- i. *FERC Contact:* Jake Tung, Telephone (202) 502-8757, and e-mail: hong.tung@ferc.gov.

j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protest: February 11, 2008. All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

k. *Description of the Report:*

Consumers Energy Company filed the Retirement Study Report, pursuant to Articles 204 and 205 of the licenses. Consumers prepared the report in accordance with the Retirement Study Plans, which was approved by the Commission on April 7, 2005 (111 FERC ¶ 62,029).

l. *Locations of the Report:* A copy of the report is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. 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. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via e-mail of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. *Comments, Protests, or Motions To Intervene:* Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but

only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the report.

o. Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers.

p. *Agency Comments:* Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described report. A copy of the report may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

q. 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 at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the "e-Filing" link.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP06-54-000; CP06-55-000]

Broadwater Energy LLC; Broadwater Pipeline LLC; Notice of Availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Broadwater LNG Project

January 11, 2008.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) in cooperation with the U.S. Coast Guard (Coast Guard); U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE); National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Marine Fisheries Service; and the New York Department of State has prepared a final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a liquefied natural gas (LNG) import terminal and natural gas pipeline (referred to as the Broadwater LNG Project) proposed by Broadwater Energy LLC and Broadwater Pipeline LLC (jointly referred to as Broadwater) in the above-referenced dockets. Broadwater

Energy LLC is jointly owned by TCPL USA LNG, Inc. (a subsidiary of TransCanada Corporation) and Shell Broadwater Holdings LLC (a subsidiary of Shell Oil Company). Broadwater Pipeline LLC is owned by Broadwater Energy LLC.

The proposed LNG terminal would be located in New York State waters of Long Island Sound, approximately 9 miles from the nearest shoreline of Long Island, and about 10 miles from the nearest shoreline in Connecticut. The terminal would be a floating storage and regasification unit (FSRU) that would be attached to a yoke mooring system (YMS) that includes a mooring tower embedded in the seafloor. The FSRU would look like a marine vessel and would remain moored in place for the duration of the Project (expected to be 30 years or more). The YMS would allow the FSRU to pivot or "weathervane" around the YMS, enabling the FSRU to orient in response to the prevailing wind, tide, and current conditions.

LNG would be delivered to the FSRU by LNG carriers, temporarily stored, vaporized (regasified), and then transported in a new subsea natural gas pipeline that would extend from the seafloor beneath the FSRU approximately 21.7 miles to an offshore connection with the existing Iroquois Gas Transmission System (IGTS) pipeline in Long Island Sound.

Natural gas would be routed from the FSRU to the subsea pipeline and into the IGTS pipeline for delivery at an average flow rate of about 1.0 billion cubic feet per day. LNG would be delivered to the FSRU by 2 to 3 LNG carriers per week to meet the Project's planned send-out volumes of natural gas. LNG carriers would transit from the Atlantic Ocean to either the Point Judith Pilot Station (northeast of Block Island) or the Montauk Pilot Station (southwest of Block Island). From the Point Judith Pilot Station, carriers would transit Block Island Sound north of Block Island, head generally west to enter Long Island Sound at its eastern end (an area known as the Race), and then proceed to the FSRU. From the Montauk Pilot Station, carriers would head generally northwest to approach the Race, then proceed to the FSRU.

The final EIS addresses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the following LNG and natural gas pipeline facilities:

- A double-hulled FSRU approximately 1,215 feet long and 200 feet wide, with a closed-loop shell-and-tube vaporization system and a total