

**DATES:** The PAC will meet on April 4, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. E.D.T. and on April 5, 2024, from 11 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The Laborer's District Council Training and Learning Center located at 1333 N Broad St., Philadelphia, PA 19122. The public may view the meeting virtually or attend in-person.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Monique Toussaint, Designated Federal Official, U.S. Department of Education, White House Initiative on Advancing Educational Equity, Excellence, and Economic Opportunity for Black Americans, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20202; telephone: (202) 260-0964, email: [monique.toussaint@ed.gov](mailto:monique.toussaint@ed.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*PAC's Statutory Authority and Function:* The PAC is established by Executive Order 14050 (October 19, 2021) and is continued by Executive Order 14109 (September 29, 2023). The PAC is governed by the provisions of 5 U.S.C. chapter 10, which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees. The purpose of the PAC is to advise the President, through the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education, on all matters pertaining to advancing educational equity, excellence, and economic opportunity for Black Americans and communities.

The PAC shall advise the President in the following areas: (i) what is needed for the development, implementation, and coordination of educational programs and initiatives at the Department and other agencies to improve educational opportunities and outcomes for Black Americans; (ii) how to promote career pathways for in-demand jobs for Black students, including registered apprenticeships, internships, fellowships, mentorships, and work-based learning initiatives; (iii) how to increase public awareness of and generate solutions for the educational and training challenges and equity disparities that Black Americans face and the causes of these challenges; and (iv) approaches to establish local and national partnerships with public, private, philanthropic, and nonprofit stakeholders to advance the mission and objectives of Executive Order 14050, consistent with applicable law. Notice of the meeting is required by 5 U.S.C. chapter 10 (Federal Advisory Committees) and is intended to notify the public of its opportunity to attend.

*Meeting Agenda:* On April 4, 2024, the meeting agenda will include welcome remarks; a discussion of the

PAC's function and mission; voting on Commission business as needed; panels by subject matter experts on topics that reflect the priorities outlined in the Executive Order; and a group discussion. The public comment period will begin immediately following the conclusion of panel discussions. Members of the public should follow the instructions below for submitting written comment and providing oral comment at the meeting. On April 5, 2024, the meeting agenda will include working group updates and presentations.

*Access to the Meeting:* An RSVP is required in order to attend the meeting in-person and/or virtually. Please RSVP at <https://sites.ed.gov/whblackinitiative/our-commission/>. RSVPs for both meeting days must be received by 5:00 p.m. E.D.T. on March 31, 2024. Members of the public that RSVP will get information on how to attend the meeting virtually or in-person as indicated on their registration.

*Submission of written comments:* The public may submit written comments pertaining to the work of the PAC no later than 5:00 p.m. E.D.T. on March 31, 2024. Members of the public who submit written comments prior to the deadline may read their comments during the public comment segment of the meeting on April 4, 2024. Written comments must be submitted via the registration site or to the [whblackinitiative@ed.gov](mailto:whblackinitiative@ed.gov) mailbox and include in the subject line "PAC Public Comment." The email must include the name(s), title, organization/affiliation, mailing address, email address, and telephone number, of the person(s) making the comment. Comments should be submitted as a Microsoft Word document or in a medium compatible with Microsoft Word (not a PDF file) that is attached to an electronic mail message (email) or provided in the body of an email message. Please do not send material directly to the PAC members.

*Access to Records of the Meeting:* The Department will post the official report of the meeting on the Initiative's website no later than 90 days after the meeting. Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 1009, the public may also inspect the meeting materials and other PAC records at 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington, DC, by emailing [whblackinitiative@ed.gov](mailto:whblackinitiative@ed.gov) to schedule an appointment.

*Reasonable Accommodations:* The meeting sites are accessible to individuals with disabilities. If you will need an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the meeting (e.g., interpreting service, assistive listening device, or materials in an alternate format), notify the contact person listed

in this notice at least one week before the meeting date. Although we will attempt to meet a request received after that date, we may not be able to make available the requested auxiliary aid or service because of insufficient time to arrange it.

*Electronic Access to this Document:* The official version of this document is the document published in the **Federal Register**. Free internet access to the official edition of the **Federal Register** and the Code of Federal Regulations is available via the Federal Digital System at: [www.gpo.gov/fdsys](http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys). At this site you can view this document, as well as all other documents of this Department published in the **Federal Register**, in text or Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF). To use PDF, you must have Adobe Acrobat Reader, which is available free at the site.

You may also access documents of the Department published in the **Federal Register** by using the article search feature at: [www.federalregister.gov](http://www.federalregister.gov). Specifically, through the advanced search feature at this site, you can limit your search to documents published by the Department.

*Authority:* Presidential Executive Order 14050.

Alexis Barrett,

Chief of Staff, Office of the Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP24-83-000]

#### Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization and Establishing Intervention and Protest Deadline

Take notice that on March 7, 2024, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124-1000, filed in the above referenced docket a prior notice request pursuant to sections 157.205, 157.208, 157.210, and 157.216 of the Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA), and Northern's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-401-000, for authorization of its West Leg 2024 Expansion Project in Martin County, Minnesota and Dodge County, Nebraska (Project). Specifically, Northern proposes to: (1) construct an approximately 4.53-mile-long extension of its 16-inch-diameter MNM80511 C-line and associated aboveground

appurtenances; (2) construct the Columbus branch line tie-over regulator station; and (3) abandon by removal small segments of pipeline at both locations. Northern executed precedent agreements with nine customers for 12,960 dekatherms per day of firm transportation service. Northern estimates the cost of the Project to be \$18,143,515, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (<http://www.ferc.gov>). From the Commission's Home Page on the internet, this information is available on eLibrary. The full text of this document is available on eLibrary in PDF and Microsoft Word format for viewing, printing, and/or downloading. To access this document in eLibrary, type the docket number excluding the last three digits of this document in the docket number field.

User assistance is available for eLibrary and the Commission's website during normal business hours from FERC Online Support at 202-502-6652 (toll free at 1-866-208-3676) or email at [ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov](mailto:ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov), or the Public Reference Room at (202) 502-8371, TTY (202) 502-8659. Email the Public Reference Room at [public.referenceroom@ferc.gov](mailto:public.referenceroom@ferc.gov).

Any questions concerning this request should be directed to Donna Martens, Senior Regulatory Analyst, Northern Natural Gas Company, 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, by phone at (402) 398-7138, or by email at [donna.martens@nngco.com](mailto:donna.martens@nngco.com).

### Public Participation

There are three ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project: you can file a protest to the project, you can file a motion to intervene in the proceeding, and you can file comments on the project. There is no fee or cost for filing protests, motions to intervene, or comments. The deadline for filing protests, motions to intervene, and comments is 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on May 13, 2024. How to file protests, motions to intervene, and comments is explained below.

The Commission's Office of Public Participation (OPP) supports meaningful public engagement and participation in Commission proceedings. OPP can help members of the public, including landowners, environmental justice

communities, Tribal members and others, access publicly available information and navigate Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502-6595 or [OPP@ferc.gov](mailto:OPP@ferc.gov).

### Protests

Pursuant to section 157.205 of the Commission's regulations under the NGA,<sup>1</sup> any person<sup>2</sup> or the Commission's staff may file a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed or if a protest is filed and then withdrawn within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request for authorization will be considered by the Commission.

Protests must comply with the requirements specified in section 157.205(e) of the Commission's regulations,<sup>3</sup> and must be submitted by the protest deadline, which is May 13, 2024. A protest may also serve as a motion to intervene so long as the protestor states it also seeks to be an intervenor.

### Interventions

Any person has the option to file a motion to intervene in this proceeding. Only intervenors have the right to request rehearing of Commission orders issued in this proceeding and to subsequently challenge the Commission's orders in the U.S. Circuit Courts of Appeal.

To intervene, you must submit a motion to intervene to the Commission in accordance with Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure<sup>4</sup> and the regulations under the NGA<sup>5</sup> by the intervention deadline for the project, which is May 13, 2024. As described further in Rule 214, your motion to intervene must state, to the extent known, your position regarding the proceeding, as well as your interest in the proceeding. For an individual, this could include your status as a landowner, ratepayer, resident of an impacted community, or recreationist. You do not need to have property

directly impacted by the project in order to intervene. For more information about motions to intervene, refer to the FERC website at <https://www.ferc.gov/resources/guides/how-to/intervene.asp>.

All timely, unopposed motions to intervene are automatically granted by operation of Rule 214(c)(1). Motions to intervene that are filed after the intervention deadline are untimely and may be denied. Any late-filed motion to intervene must show good cause for being late and must explain why the time limitation should be waived and provide justification by reference to factors set forth in Rule 214(d) of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies (paper or electronic) of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties.

### Comments

Any person wishing to comment on the project may do so. The Commission considers all comments received about the project in determining the appropriate action to be taken. To ensure that your comments are timely and properly recorded, please submit your comments on or before May 13, 2024. The filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. To become a party, you must intervene in the proceeding.

### How To File Protests, Interventions, and Comments

There are two ways to submit protests, motions to intervene, and comments. In both instances, please reference the Project docket number CP24-83-000 in your submission.

(1) You may file your protest, motion to intervene, and comments by using the Commission's eFiling feature, which is located on the Commission's website ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)) under the link to Documents and Filings. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on "eRegister." You will be asked to select the type of filing you are making; first select "General" and then select "Protest", "Intervention", or "Comment on a Filing"; or<sup>6</sup>

(2) You can file a paper copy of your submission by mailing it to the address below. Your submission must reference the Project docket number CP24-83-000.

<sup>1</sup> 18 CFR 157.205.

<sup>2</sup> Persons include individuals, organizations, businesses, municipalities, and other entities. 18 CFR 385.102(d).

<sup>3</sup> 18 CFR 157.205(e).

<sup>4</sup> 18 CFR 385.214.

<sup>5</sup> 18 CFR 157.10.

<sup>6</sup> Additionally, you may file your comments electronically by using the eComment feature, which is located on the Commission's website at [www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov) under the link to Documents and Filings. Using eComment is an easy method for interested persons to submit brief, text-only comments on a project.

To file via USPS: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Acting Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

To file via any other method: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Acting Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

The Commission encourages electronic filing of submissions (option 1 above) and has eFiling staff available to assist you at (202) 502-8258 or [FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov).

Protests and motions to intervene must be served on the applicant either by mail or email (with a link to the document) at: Donna Martens, Senior Regulatory Analyst, Northern Natural Gas Company, 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124 or by email at [donna.martens@nngco.com](mailto:donna.martens@nngco.com). Any subsequent submissions by an intervenor must be served on the applicant and all other parties to the proceeding. Contact information for parties can be downloaded from the service list at the eService link on FERC Online.

#### Tracking the Proceeding

Throughout the proceeding, additional information about the project will be available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208-FERC, or on the FERC website at [www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov) using the "eLibrary" link as described above. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of all formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission 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 the documents. For more information and to register, go to [www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp](http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp).

Dated: March 14, 2024.

**Debbie-Anne A. Reese,**  
Acting 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:* PR24-57-000.

*Applicants:* Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation.

*Description:* § 284.123(g) Rate Filing: Revised Statement of Operating Conditions to be effective 3/1/2024.

*Filed Date:* 3/14/24.

*Accession Number:* 20240314-5067.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 4/4/24.

*§ 284.123(g) Protest:* 5 p.m. ET 5/13/24.

*Docket Numbers:* RP24-524-000.

*Applicants:* National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation.

*Description:* § 4(d) Rate Filing: Update to Applicable Rates (Part 4) to be effective 4/1/2024.

*Filed Date:* 3/14/24.

*Accession Number:* 20240314-5030.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 3/26/24.

Any person desiring to intervene, to protest, or to answer a complaint in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211, 214, or 206 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214, or 385.206) 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.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system (<https://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/search/fercgensearch.asp>) by 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.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Combined Notice of Filings #1

Take notice that the Commission received the following exempt wholesale generator filings:

*Docket Numbers:* EG24-130-000.

*Applicants:* Al Pastor BESS LLC.

*Description:* Al Pastor BESS LLC submits Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status.

*Filed Date:* 3/13/24.

*Accession Number:* 20240313-5218.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 4/3/24.

*Docket Numbers:* EG24-131-000.

*Applicants:* Citadel BESS LLC.

*Description:* Citadel BESS LLC submits Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status.

*Filed Date:* 3/13/24.

*Accession Number:* 20240313-5219.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 4/3/24.

*Docket Numbers:* EG24-132-000.

*Applicants:* SMT Ironman BESS LLC.

*Description:* SMT Ironman BESS LLC submits Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status.

*Filed Date:* 3/13/24.

*Accession Number:* 20240313-5220.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 4/3/24.

*Docket Numbers:* EG24-133-000.

*Applicants:* Widgeon Whistle BESS LLC.

*Description:* Widgeon Whistle BESS LLC submits Notice of Self-Certification of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status.

*Filed Date:* 3/13/24.

*Accession Number:* 20240313-5221.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 4/3/24.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

*Docket Numbers:* ER23-2663-002.

*Applicants:* PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

*Description:* Tariff Amendment: Amendment to Filing, Original ISA, SA No. 7038 to be effective 7/21/2023.

*Filed Date:* 3/14/24.

*Accession Number:* 20240314-5141.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. ET 4/4/24.

*Docket Numbers:* ER24-796-002.

*Applicants:* Entergy Texas, Inc.

*Description:* Tariff Amendment: ETI-ETEC Second Revised LBA Agreement to be effective 2/27/2024.