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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Savannah River Site

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Savannah River Site. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Monday, January 26, 2009, 1 p.m.–5 p.m.; Tuesday, January 27, 2009, 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The Crowne Plaza Hotel, 130 Shipyard Drive, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina 29928.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gerri Flemming, Office of External Affairs, Department of Energy, Savannah River Operations Office, P.O. Box A, Aiken, SC 29802; Phone: (803) 952-7886.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda:

Monday, January 26, 2009

1 p.m. Combined Committee Session.
5 p.m. Adjourn.

Tuesday, January 27, 2009

8:30 a.m. Approval of Minutes, Agency Updates, Public Comment Session, Chair and Facilitator Updates, Nuclear Materials Committee Report, Waste Management Committee Report, Public Comment Session.

12 p.m. Lunch Break.

1 p.m. Strategic and Legacy Management Committee Report, Facility Disposition and Site Remediation Committee Report, Administrative Committee Report, Public Comment Session.

4 p.m. Adjourn.

If needed, time will be allotted after public comments for items added to the agenda and administrative details. A final agenda will be available at the meeting Monday, January 26, 2009.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Gerri Flemming's office at the address or telephone listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: Minutes will be available by writing or calling Gerri Flemming at the address or phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following Web site: <http://www.srs.gov/general/outreach/srs-cab/srs-cab.html>.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP09-29-000]

CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Amendment Application

December 17, 2008.

On December 5, 2008, CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company (CEGT), pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, as amended, and part 157 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, filed to amend its certificate. CEGT's application seeks authorization to install additional compressors at the Westdale and Vernon compressor stations located in Red River and Jackson Parishes, LA, respectively. The requested amendment (Phase IV) would increase Line CP capacity to 1.87 Bcf/d.

Questions concerning this application should be directed to Lawrence O. Thomas, Director—Rate & Regulatory, CEGT, P.O. Box 21734, Shreveport, Louisiana 71151, or by calling (318) 429-2804.

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.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Protests 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. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of 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 <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 e-mail 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 16, 2009.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No.: 13301-001]

Town of Afton; Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission and Soliciting Additional Study Requests

December 17, 2008.

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

a. *Type of Application:* small hydroelectric exemption.

b. *Project No.:* 13301-001.

c. *Date filed:* November 25, 2008.

d. *Applicant:* Town of Afton.

e. *Name of Project:* Town of Afton Culinary Water System Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* In Swift Creek Canyon, near the town of Afton, Lincoln County, Wyoming. The project would occupy 10.5 acres of federal land managed by the Forest Service within the Bridger-Teton National Forest.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Public utility Regulatory Policies Act 1978, 16 U.S.C. 2705, 2708.

h. *Applicant Contact:* Town of Afton, James K. Sanderson, 416 Washington Street, P.O. Box 310, Afton, WY 83110, or Brent L. Smith, Symbiotics, LLC, P.O. Box 535, Rigby, ID 83402, (208) 745-0834.

i. *FERC Contact:* Gaylord Hoisington, (202) 502-6032 or gaylord.hoisington@ferc.gov.

j. *Cooperating agencies:* We are asking Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the environmental document. Agencies who would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing comments described in item l below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document cannot also intervene. *See*, 94 FERC ¶ 61,076 (2001).

k. Pursuant to Section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or

person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than 60 days from the date of this notice, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

l. *Deadline for filing additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status:* February 17, 2009.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "e-Filing" link.

m. The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

n. The Town of Afton Culinary Water System Hydroelectric Project consist of: (1) An existing underground intermittent spring (Periodic Springs) that provides the town's water; (2) an existing 97,000 gallon buried concrete surge tank; (3) an existing 16,775-foot-long, 18-inch-diameter iron ductile pipe; (3) construction of a new 30-foot-high by 20-foot-square powerhouse containing a 225 kilowatt Pelton impulse turbine and generator; and (4) other appurtenances. The project is estimated to generate an average of 1,272,463 kilowatt-hours annually.

Water flow from the spring is piped to a 97,000 gallon buried concrete surge tank. From the surge tank, the water flows through a 16,775-foot-long pipe to an existing water treatment facility. The original water treatment plan design incorporated a bifurcation of the 18-inch pipe before it reached the treatment plant. It is at this bifurcation that a proposed 18-inch pipe will be fitted that will divert up to 12-cubic-foot-per-second (cfs) (design capacity of the turbine unit) to the proposed power house and Pelton turbine and generator. Upon exiting the turbine the water will flow through a new chlorination system and into the existing 1 million gallon water storage tank and used as need by the town. The power from the project will be used on site to operate the water treatment plant and other electrical needs at the plant.

o. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may 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, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

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, contact FERC Online Support.

p. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the Wyoming State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), as required by § 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36, CFR, at § 800.4.

q. *Procedural schedule and final amendments:* The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule and procedure will be made as appropriate.

Request Additional Information—February 25, 2009.

Issue Acceptance letter—March 1, 2009.
Issue scoping document 1—June 30, 2009.

Issue ready for environmental analysis—August 1, 2009.

Issue environmental analysis—October 1, 2009.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL09-23-000]

Welch Motel, Inc.; Welch Oil Inc.; Boondocks USA Truck Stop; Bob Welch; Complainants v. Midland Power Cooperative; Corn Belt Power Cooperative; Respondents; Notice of Complaint

December 17, 2008.

Take notice that on December 17, 2008, pursuant to section 206 of the Rules and Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.206, Welch Motel, Inc., Welch Oil, Inc., Boondocks USA Truck Stop, and Bob Welch (Complainants) filed a formal complaint against Midland