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Currently Identified Environmental Issues

In the EA, we will discuss impacts that could occur as a result of the construction and operation of the project. We will also evaluate possible alternatives to the proposed project or portions of the project.

We have already identified several issues that we think deserve attention based on a preliminary review of the proposed facilities and the environmental information provided by ESNG. This preliminary list of issues may be changed based on your comments and our analysis.

Project-related impact on:

- 98 residences/structures within 50 feet of the construction workspace.
- 1.1 acres of wetland.
- 53.8 acres of agricultural land.
- Six federally-listed threatened and endangered species potentially in the project area.
- 28 road crossings.

Public Participation

You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the project. By becoming a commentor, your concerns will be addressed in the EA and considered by the Commission. You should focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal, alternatives to the proposal (including alternative locations and routes), and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impact. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. 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 letter to: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of Gas Branch 1.
- Reference Docket Number CP03–80–001.
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before March 2, 2005.

Please note that the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing of any comments or interventions or protests to this proceeding. 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 and the link to the User's Guide. Before you can file comments, you will need to create an account which can be created on-line.

Becoming an Intervenor

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Affected landowners and parties with environmental concerns may be granted intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have a clear and direct interest in this proceeding which would not be adequately represented by any other parties. You do not need intervenor status to have your environmental comments considered.

Environmental Mailing List

If you wish to remain on our environmental mailing list, please return the Information Request Form

⁵ Interventions may also be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See the previous discussion on filing comments electronically.

included in Appendix 2. If you do not return this form, you will be removed from our mailing list.

Additional Information

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

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Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP05–42–000]

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Compressor Station 325 Horsepower Replacement Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

January 26, 2005.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) on Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company's (Tennessee) proposed Compressor Station 325 Horsepower Replacement Project. Tennessee's proposal involves the replacement of the two existing turbines at its Compressor Station 325

in Sussex County, New Jersey with two new turbines.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping period that will be used to gather environmental input from the public and interested agencies on the project. Please note that the scoping period will close on February 25, 2005.

This notice is being sent to potentially affected landowners; Federal, State, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. This includes all owners of property within 0.5-mile of Tennessee's Compressor Station 325. State and local government representatives are asked to notify their constituents of this planned project and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

A fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled "An Interstate Natural Gas Facility on My Land? What Do I Need To Know?" is available for viewing on the FERC Internet Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>). This fact sheet addresses a number of typically asked questions, including how to participate in the Commission's proceedings.

Summary of the Proposed Project

Tennessee seeks the authority to replace the two turbines at its existing Compressor Station 325 in order to comply with Reasonably Available Control Technology standards set by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regarding nitrogen oxide emissions.

The existing turbines are both sited at 3,500 horsepower; the replacements would be sited at 4,721 horsepower. Therefore, the proposed action would increase the total authorized compressor station output by 2,442 horsepower and increase pipeline flow capacity by 18,000 dekatherms per day in the vicinity of compressor station. Construction of the proposed project would commence on or about April 2006 and Tennessee would place the project in-service in November 2006. The general location of the project is shown in Appendix 1.¹

¹ The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the **Federal Register**. Copies of all appendices, other than Appendix 1 (maps), are available on the Commission's Web site at the "eLibrary" link or from the Commission's Public Reference Room, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, or call (202) 502-8371. For instructions on connecting to eLibrary refer to the last page of this notice. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail.

Land Requirements for Construction

Compressor Station 325 is located on a 93.59-acre lot. However, the fenced station yard is 4.92 acres in size and is served by a paved access road. The private access road would not be improved, and no temporary access roads would be constructed. All construction activities would take place within the previously disturbed, graveled areas inside the fenced station yard. No expansion of the fenced station yard is proposed.

The EA Process

We² are preparing this EA to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) which requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impact that could result if it authorizes Tennessee's proposed project. NEPA also requires us to discover and address concerns the public may have about proposals. This process is referred to as "scoping." The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the EA on the important environmental issues. By this notice, we are requesting public comment on the scope of the issues to address in the EA. All comments received will be considered during the preparation of the EA. By this notice, we are also asking Federal, State, and local agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to formally cooperate with us in the preparation of the EA. Agencies that would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing comments provided below.

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To ensure your comments are considered, please carefully follow the instructions in the public participation section below.

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² "We," "us," and "our" refer to the environmental staff of the Office of Energy Projects.

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Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Draft License Application and Preliminary Draft Environmental Assessment and Request for Preliminary Terms and Conditions

January 27, 2005.

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

a. *Type of Application:* New major license.

b. *Project No.:* 2219-013.

c. *Applicant:* Garkane Energy Cooperative, Inc. (Garkane).

d. *Name of Project:* Boulder Creek Hydroelectric Project.

e. *Location:* On Boulder Creek about 6 miles north of the town of Boulder in

Garfield County, Utah. About 31.74 acres are located on the Dixie National Forest.

f. *Applicant Contact:* John Spendlove, P.E., Jones and DeMille Engineering, 1535 South 100 West, Richfield, UT 84710; (435) 896-8266.

g. *FERC Contact:* Dianne Rodman (202) 502-6077, e-mail: Dianne.rodman@ferc.gov.

h. Garkane mailed a copy of the Preliminary Draft Environmental Assessment (PDEA) and draft application to interested parties on January 13, 2005. The PDEA and draft application were filed on January 18, 2005.

i. With this notice we are soliciting preliminary terms, conditions, and recommendations on the PDEA and draft license application. All comments on the PDEA and draft license application should be sent to the address above in item (f) with one copy filed with the Commission at the following address: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, 888 First St., NE., Washington, DC 20426. All comments must include the project name and number, and bear the heading "Preliminary Comments," "Preliminary Recommendations," "Preliminary Terms and Conditions," or "Preliminary Prescriptions." Any party interested in commenting must do so before April 1, 2005.

j. Comments and preliminary recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions 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 (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "e-Filing" link.

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

l. 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.

The PDEA and draft application are also available upon the Web site <http://www.jonesanddemille.com>.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER02-2330-029 and ER04-1255-000]

New England Power Pool and ISO New England Inc.; Notice of Technical Conference

January 28, 2005.

On January 13, 2005 ISO New England, Inc. requested that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission convene a technical conference on Friday, March 4, 2005, in Boston, Massachusetts, to address the prioritization and coordination of the interrelated market improvements currently being developed and considered by the ISO and market participants in New England. Specifically, the ISO requests that the Commission facilitate discussions regarding the day-ahead load response program (DALRP) and the special case nodal pricing (SCNP), including a discussion of how those programs fit within the overall market development plan for New England.

To this end, the Commission will host a technical conference on Friday, March 4, 2005, to address the issues raised by the above described request. The conference will be held at the Seaport World Trade Center (Harborview Ballroom), 200 Seaport Boulevard, Boston, Massachusetts 02210. The conference is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. and end at approximately 4 p.m. (e.s.t.). Commissioners are expected to attend and participate. An agenda will be forthcoming.

Although registration is not a strict requirement, in-person attendees are asked to register for the conference online by close of business on Wednesday, March 2, 2005 at <http://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/iso-03-04-form.asp>.

Transcripts of the conference will be immediately available from Ace Reporting Company (202-347-3700 or 1-800-336-6646) for a fee. They will be available for the public on the Commission's eLibrary system seven calendar days after FERC receives the transcript. Additionally, Capitol Connection offers the opportunity for