### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[EG10-40-000; EG10-41-000; EG10-42-000; EG10-43-000; EG10-44-000; EG10-45-000; EG10-46-000; EG10-47-000; EG10-49-000; EG10-50-000]

## Notice of Effectiveness of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status

September 13, 2010.

Taloga Wind, LLC	Docket Nos. EG10-40- 000
Stephentown Regulation Services, LLC.	EG10-41-000
Longview Power, LLC	EG10-42-000
Alta Wind I, LLC	EG10-43-000
Alta Wind II, LLC	EG10-44-000
Alta Wind III, LLC	EG10-45-000
Alta Wind IV, LLC	EG10-46-000
Alta Wind V, LLC	EG10-47-000
Synergics Roth Rock Wind	EG10-49-000
Energy, LLC.	
Synergics Roth Rock North Wind Energy, LLC.	EG10-50-000

Take notice that during the month of August 2010, the status of the above-captioned entities as Exempt Wholesale Generators became effective by operation of the Commission's regulations. 18 CFR 366.7(a).

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Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP10-477-000]

Southern LNG Company, LLC; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed LNG Truck Loading Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues, and Notice of Public Scoping Meeting

September 13, 2010.

The staff of the Federal Energy
Regulatory Commission (FERC or
Commission) will prepare an
environmental assessment (EA) that will
discuss the environmental impacts of
the LNG Truck Loading Project
involving construction and operation of
facilities by Southern LNG Company,
LLC (Southern) in Chatham County,
Georgia. This EA will be used by the
Commission in its decision-making
process to make a public interest
determination whether the project is in
the public convenience and necessity.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping process the Commission will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies on the project. Your input will help the Commission staff determine what issues need to be evaluated in the EA. Please note that the scoping period will close on October 13, 2010.

Comments may be submitted in written form or verbally. Further details on how to submit written comments are provided in the Public Participation section of this notice. In lieu of or in addition to sending written comments, the Commission invites you to attend the public scoping meeting scheduled as follows:

FERC Public Scoping Meeting, LNG Truck Loading Project, September 29, 2010, 7 p.m., Hilton Garden Inn Savannah Midtown, 5711 Abercorn Street, Savannah, Georgia 31405.

This notice is being sent to the Commission's current environmental mailing list for this project. 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 Web site (http://www.ferc.gov). This fact sheet addresses a number of typically-asked questions, including the use of eminent domain and how to participate in the Commission's proceedings.

## **Summary of the Proposed Project**

Southern seeks to abandon by removal a portion of the existing truck loading facilities at its existing Elba Island Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Terminal located on Elba Island in Chatham County, Georgia. Southern also proposes to reactivate, expand, and modify the remainder of its existing truck loading facilities at the Terminal. The proposed activities would be completed in two phases: Phase I would include removal of certain out-dated facilities and construction of two loading facilities; Phase II would include an expansion of the trucking facilities to provide two additional loading bays.

Southern intends to operate and lease the truck loading facilities to Southeast LNG Distribution Company, LLC (Southeast LNG), a joint venture between El Paso Corporation and a subsidiary of AGL Resources Inc. Southeast LNG would distribute LNG by truck from the Elba Island Terminal to end users throughout the Southeast, to

peak shaving facilities in Georgia and as an alternative fuel for use by heavy-duty vehicles. Southeast LNG anticipates distribution from about ten trucks per day at the start of reactivation and ramping up over a 10-year period to about 58 trucks per day. Southern proposes to commence construction during the second quarter of 2011, with an in-service date of November 2012.

The general location of the project facilities is shown in Appendix 1.<sup>1</sup>

## **Land Requirements for Construction**

All land disturbance would occur on 2.20 acres within the existing Elba Island LNG Terminal. The new facilities would replace those authorized as part of the original terminal construction.

#### The EA Process

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impacts that could result from an action whenever it considers the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. NEPA also requires us 2 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, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of the issues to address in the EA. All comments received will be considered during the preparation of the EA.

In the EA we will discuss impacts that could occur as a result of the construction and operation of the proposed project under these general headings:

- Geology and soils;
- Land use;
- Water resources, fisheries, and wetlands;
  - Cultural resources;
- Vegetation and wildlife;
- Air quality and noise;
- Endangered and threatened species; and
  - Public safety.

We will also evaluate reasonable alternatives to the proposed project or portions of the project, and make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid impacts on the various resource areas.

¹ The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the Federal Register. Copies of appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail and are available at http://www.ferc.gov using the link called "eLibrary" 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "We", "us", and "our" refer to the environmental staff of the Commission's Office of Energy Projects.