

currently used to maintain Western Area Power Administration transmission lines and would be modified to accommodate larger construction vehicles. The project would also involve constructing the following new facilities: (1) a 8,498-foot-long roller-compacted concrete water-retaining structure that would create a 114-acre upper reservoir which would be lined to reduce leakage and would be surrounded by a 10-foot-high chain and rail security fence; (2) a 200-foot-long concrete ogee emergency spillway incorporated into the upper reservoir capable of directing emergency spill flows down a stepped spillway into a stilling basin and then down a natural gully and into the Bureau of Reclamation's Kortes Reservoir; (3) a water conveyance tunnel system connecting the new upper reservoir with Seminole Reservoir that consists of the following structures: (a) a 2,756-foot-long D-shaped concrete-lined belowground headrace tunnel; (b) a 615-foot-long steel aboveground conduit section across a gully that is supported by concrete piers; (c) a 30-foot-diameter, 1,225-foot-long concrete-lined belowground vertical shaft; (d) a 30-foot-diameter, 123-foot-long concrete-lined belowground high pressure tunnel connected to a manifold and three separate 17-foot-diameter concrete and steel-lined belowground penstocks with lengths of 330 feet, 247 feet, and 165 feet; (e) three concrete and steel-lined 17.5-foot-diameter belowground draft tube extensions with lengths of 140 feet, 103 feet, and 85 feet connected to a manifold; (f) a 36-foot-diameter, 232-foot-long belowground surge chamber; and (g) a 31-foot-diameter, 4,070-foot-long belowground tailrace tunnel; (4) a 460-foot-long, 80-foot-wide, 142-foot-high belowground powerhouse containing three 324-megawatt Francis pump-turbines and three generator-motors; (5) three busbar galleries approximately 170-feet-long leading to a 413-foot-long, 71-foot-wide, 113-foot-high belowground transformer cavern containing three-phase step-up transformers and a switchgear switchyard; (6) two 500-kilovolt circuits connecting from the switchgear through a 765-foot-long belowground tunnel to a vertical cable shaft that emerges aboveground; (7) two separate 30-mile-long, 500-kilovolt overhead transmission lines that connect to the grid at the existing Aeolus substation; (8) a new 40-foot-wide bridge crossing over the Seminole Dam tailrace on the North Platte River that connects Morgan Creek Road on the left side of the river to a main access tunnel portal on the

right side of the river to provide access to the powerhouse; (9) two other secondary tunnels for accessing the lower reservoir intake and surge shaft; and (10) appurtenant facilities. Additionally, two existing Western Area Power Administration transmission lines that currently cross the new upper reservoir site would be relocated.

The water used to initially fill the new upper reservoir and provide make-up water would come from Seminole Reservoir. The initial volume of water necessary to fill the upper reservoir is estimated to be 13,300 acre-feet and would be filled over a two- to four-week period. It is estimated that the project would need approximately 272 acre-feet of water each year to replenish water lost through evaporation and seepage. Once the upper reservoir is filled, approximately 10,800 acre-feet could be cycled between the upper reservoir and Seminole Reservoir each day. The project is designed to generate electricity on demand for up to 9.7 hours each day at the maximum generating capacity. The estimated annual generation is 2,916 gigawatt-hours per year.

p. 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 via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (<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 at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (866) 208-3676 or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

You may also register online at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/ferconline.aspx> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

q. *Procedural schedule*: Consistent with the requirements in FAST-41, a procedural schedule for processing the license application will be developed in consultation with the relevant agencies and subsequently posted to the docket.

r. Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of the notice of ready for environmental analysis

Dated: February 2, 2023.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP23-40-000]

Viking Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization and Establishing Intervention and Protest Deadline

Take notice that on January 23, 2023, Viking Gas Transmission Company (Viking) 100 West 5th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103, filed in the above referenced docket, a prior notice request pursuant to sections 157.205, 157.208 and 157.211¹ of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Viking's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-414-000,² requesting authorization to construct, own, operate, and maintain a new pipeline lateral to Grand Forks, North Dakota. Viking estimates the cost of the lateral to be \$26,940,000, as more fully described in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, Viking is proposing to build its Line MNB2204C (the Project), in Polk County, Minnesota and Grand Forks County, North Dakota. Viking proposes to: (i) construct 13.2 miles of 12-inch-diameter lateral pipeline that runs from Viking's mainline to the East Grand Forks, Minnesota Meter Station (MN Meter Station); (ii) construct 0.8 mile of 12-inch-diameter pipeline from the new Grand Forks, North Dakota Launcher Site (ND Launcher Site) to a new meter station in Grand Forks, North Dakota; and (iii) relocate and upsize a meter from the MN Meter Station to the ND Launcher Site. Minor auxiliary facilities installations and modifications will also be made pursuant to section 2.55(a) of the Commission's regulations.³ The Project will provide up to 42,000 dekatherms per day (Dth/

¹ 18 CFR 157.205, 157.208, 157.211.

² On September 1, 1982, in Docket No. CP82-414-000, *Midwestern Gas Transmission Company* (Midwestern) was issued a blanket certificate for its entire pipeline system, which was composed of its Southern System, extending from Portland, Tennessee to Joliet, Illinois, and its Northern System, extending from the United States-Canada international boundary near Emerson, Minnesota to Marshfield, Wisconsin. *Midwestern Gas Transmission Co.*, 20 FERC ¶ 62,411 (1982). Subsequently, on April 6, 1989, in Docket No. CP88-679-000, the Commission authorized Midwestern's abandonment by transfer to Viking and Viking's acquisition of Midwestern's Northern System. *Midwestern Gas Transmission Co.*, 47 FERC ¶ 61,017 (1989).

³ 18 CFR 2.55(a).

d) of firm transportation service on Viking's system to a new delivery point.

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Any questions concerning this application should be directed to Denise Adams, Director, Regulatory Affairs ONEOK, Inc., 100 West 5th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103, by telephone at (918) 732-1408, or by email at regulatoryaffairs@oneok.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 April 3, 2023. How to file protests, motions to intervene, and comments is explained below.

Protests

Pursuant to section 157.205 of the Commission's regulations under the NGA,⁴ any person⁵ 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,⁶ and must be submitted by the protest deadline, which is April 3, 2023. 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 Procedure⁷ and the regulations under the NGA⁸ by the intervention deadline for the project, which is April 3, 2023. 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 April 3, 2023. 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 CP23-40-000 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) 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"; or⁹

(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 CP23-40-000.

To mail via USPS, use the following address: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426

To mail via any other courier, use the following address: Kimberly D. Bose, 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.

Protests and motions to intervene must be served on the applicant either by mail or email (with a link to the document) at: Denise Adams, Director, Regulatory Affairs, 100 West 5th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103, or by email at regulatoryaffairs@oneok.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

⁹ Additionally, you may file your comments electronically by using the eComment feature, which is located on the Commission's website at 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.

⁴ 18 CFR 157.205.

⁵ Persons include individuals, organizations, businesses, municipalities, and other entities. 18 CFR 385.102(d).

⁶ 18 CFR 157.205(e).

⁷ 18 CFR 385.214.

⁸ 18 CFR 157.10.

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 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.

Dated: February 2, 2023.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OW-2003-0026; FRL-10661-01-OMS]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; National Water Quality Inventory Reports (Renewal)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has submitted an information collection request (ICR), National Water Quality Inventory Reports (EPA ICR Number 1560.13, OMB Control Number 2040-0071) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. This is a proposed 3-year extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through March 31, 2023. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on July 19, 2022 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

DATES: Comments may be submitted on or before March 10, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-2003-0026, to EPA online using www.regulations.gov (our preferred method), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460.

EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

Submit written comments and recommendations to OMB for the proposed information collection within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Edward Laird, Watershed Restoration, Assessment and Protection Division (WRAPD), Office of Wetlands, Oceans, and Watersheds, Mail Code: 4503T, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 202-566-2848; fax number: 202-566-1437; email address: laird.edward@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a proposed 3-year extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through March 31, 2023. An agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** (87 FR 43029) on July 19, 2022 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. Supporting documents that explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting are available in the public docket for this ICR (Docket ID EPA-HQ-OW-2003-0026). The docket can be viewed online at www.regulations.gov or in person at the EPA Docket Center, WJC West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

Abstract: The Clean Water Act Section 305(b) reports contain information on whether waters assessed by a state meet the state's water quality standards, and, when waters are impaired, the pollutants and potential sources affecting water quality. This information helps states and the public track progress in addressing water pollution. Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act requires states to identify and rank waters that cannot meet water quality standards (WQS) following the implementation of technology-based controls. Under Section 303(d), states are also required to establish total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) for listed waters not meeting standards because of pollutant discharges. In developing the Section 303(d) lists, states are required to consider various sources of water quality related data and information, including the Section 305(b) state water quality reports. Section 106(e) requires that states annually update monitoring data and use it in their Section 305(b) report. Section 314(a) requires states to report on the condition of their publicly owned lakes within the Section 305(b) report.

During the period covered by this ICR renewal, respondents will: complete their 2024 Section 305(b) reports and 2024 Section 303(d) lists; complete their 2026 Section 305(b) reports and 2026 Section 303(d) lists; transmit annual electronic updates of ambient monitoring data via the Water Quality Exchange; and continue to develop TMDLs according to their established schedules. EPA will prepare biennial updates on assessed and impaired waters for Congress and the public for the 2024 reporting cycle and for the 2026 cycle, and EPA will review 303(d) list and TMDL submissions from respondents.

Form Numbers: None.

Respondents/affected entities: States, Territories and Tribes with Clean Water Act (CWA) responsibilities.

Respondent's obligation to respond: Mandatory: Integrated Water Quality Inventory Reports (Clean Water Act Sections 305(b), 303(d), 314(a), and 106(e)).

Estimated number of respondents: 59 (total).

Frequency of response: Biennial.

Total estimated burden: 3,696,243 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

Total estimated cost: \$243,597,191 (per year), includes \$0 annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

Changes in Estimates: There is a decrease of 10,944 hours in the total