

project, please select “Comment on a Filing;” or

(3) You can file a paper copy of your comments by mailing them to the following address: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.

Summary of the New Proposed Route G-1 and Alternate Routes B, G, and Eastside

Following original Route F until milepost (MP) 1.5, the new Proposed Route G-1 would then turn east, cross under Tennessee State Highway 72 and parallel it until MP 3.1 where it would meet and be collated with East Tennessee’s existing Loudon-Lenoir City Lateral pipeline. Alternate Route G and the Eastside Alternate Route would follow similar paths but each route would be located slightly farther east, rejoining and paralleling the Loudon-Lenoir City Lateral pipeline at approximately MP 3.5. All three of these routes would cross Tellico Lake. Alternate Route B would start at the same location as all other routes, but would then proceed west of those routes, avoiding Lake Tellico completely, rejoining and paralleling the Loudon-Lenoir City Lateral pipeline at approximately MP 5.4.

Overview and aerial maps of the previously proposed route, newly proposed route, and the three alternate routes are included in Appendix 1.²

Currently Identified Environmental Issues

We have identified several issues that we think deserve attention for our comparison of the new proposed route and three alternatives based on a review of the proposed facilities and the environmental information provided by East Tennessee. This preliminary list of issues may be changed based on your comments and our analysis.

- Waterbodies;
- karst geology, including caves; and
- candidate and listed threatened or endangered species.

Environmental Mailing List

The environmental mailing list includes federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest

groups; Native American Tribes; other interested parties; commenters; and local libraries and newspapers. This list also includes landowners affected by the pipelines as currently proposed, as well as landowners that may be affected by the Kemblesville Loop Alternative Route 2. We will update the environmental mailing list as the analysis proceeds to ensure that we send the information related to this environmental review to all individuals, organizations, and government entities interested in and/or potentially affected by the proposed Project.

Copies of the completed EA will be sent to the environmental mailing list for public review and comment. If you would prefer to receive a paper copy of the document instead of a CD version or would like to remove your name from the mailing list, please return the attached Information Request (Appendix 2).

Becoming an Intervenor

In addition to involvement in the EA scoping process, you may want to become an “intervenor” which is an official party to the Commission’s proceeding. Intervenor play a more formal role in the process and are able to file briefs, appear at hearings, and be heard by the courts if they choose to appeal the Commission’s final ruling. An intervenor formally participates in the proceeding by filing a request to intervene. Instructions for becoming an intervenor are in the User’s Guide under the “e-filing” link on the Commission’s Web site.

Additional Information

Additional information about the Project is available from the Commission’s Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208-FERC, or on the FERC Web site (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 (*i.e.*, CP15–91). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (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.

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. Go to www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp.

Dated: July 28, 2015.

Kimberly D. Bose,
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: RP15–1135–000.

Applicants: Questar Southern Trails Pipeline Company.

Description: Section 4(d) Rate Filing: Statement of Negotiated Rates Filing to be effective 7/1/2015.

Filed Date: 7/28/15.

Accession Number: 20150728–5091.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 8/10/15.

Docket Numbers: RP15–1136–000.

Applicants: Washington Gas Light Company, Energy Corporation of America.

Description: Petition for Waiver of Washington Gas Light Company and Energy Corporation of America under RP15–1136.

Filed Date: 7/28/15.

Accession Number: 20150728–5103.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 8/5/15.

Docket Numbers: RP15–1137–000.

Applicants: Kern River Gas Transmission Company.

Description: Section 4(d) Rate Filing: 2015 NVE Converted Contracts to be effective 8/1/2015.

Filed Date: 7/28/15.

Accession Number: 20150728–5190.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 8/10/15.

The filings are accessible in the Commission’s eLibrary system by clicking on the links or querying the docket number.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission’s Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) 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.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing

² 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 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.

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.

Dated: July 29, 2015.
Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC15-5-000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-552); Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Comment request.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is submitting its information collection [FERC-552, Annual Report of Natural Gas Transactions.] to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review of the information collection requirements. Any interested person may file comments directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below. The Commission previously issued a Notice in the

Federal Register (80 FR 20217, 4/15/2015) requesting public comments. The Commission received no comments on the FERC-552 and is making this notation in its submittal to OMB.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due by September 3, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Comments filed with OMB, identified by the OMB Control No. 1902-0242, should be sent via email to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs: oira_submission@omb.gov. Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. The Desk Officer may also be reached via telephone at 202-395-4718.

A copy of the comments should also be sent to the Commission, in Docket No. IC15-5-000, by either of the following methods:

- eFiling at Commission's Web site: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>.
 - Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.
- Instructions:** All submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: <http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide.asp>. For user assistance contact FERC Online Support by email at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, or by phone at: (866) 208-3676 (toll-free), or (202) 502-8659 for TTY.

Docket: Users interested in receiving automatic notification of activity in this docket or in viewing/downloading comments and issuances in this docket may do so at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/docs-filing.asp>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellen Brown may be reached by email at DataClearance@FERC.gov, by telephone at (202) 502-8663, and by fax at (202) 273-0873.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Annual Report of Natural Gas Transactions.

OMB Control No.: 1902-0242.

Type of Request: Three-year extension of the FERC-552 information collection requirements with no changes to the reporting requirements.

Abstract: The Commission uses the information collected within the FERC-552 to provide greater transparency concerning the use of indices to price natural gas and how well index prices reflect market forces. The collection also includes transactions that contribute to, or may contribute to natural gas price indices. Many market participants rely on indices as a way to reference market prices without taking on the risks of active trading.

FERC-552 had its genesis in the Energy Policy Act of 2005,¹ which added section 23 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA). Section 23 of the NGA, among other things, directs the Commission "to facilitate price transparency in markets for the sale or transportation of physical natural gas in interstate commerce, having due regard for the public interest, the integrity of those markets, and the protection of consumers."²

Type of Respondents: Wholesale natural gas market participants.

*Estimate of Annual Burden:*³ The Commission estimates the annual public reporting burden for the information collection as:

FERC-552—ANNUAL REPORT OF NATURAL GAS TRANSACTIONS

	Number of respond- ents ⁶	Number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden hours per response	Estimated total annual burden
	(A)	(B)	(A) × (B) = (C)	(D)	(C) × (D)
Wholesale natural market participants	666	1	666	10	6,660

The total estimated annual cost burden to respondents is \$478,652 [6,660 hours ÷ 2,080⁴ hours/year = 3.201923 * \$149,489/year⁵ = \$478,652].

The estimated annual cost of filing the FERC-552 per response is \$719 [\$478,652 ÷ 666 responses = \$719/response].

Comments: Comments are invited on:

- (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden and cost of the collection

of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use

¹ Pub. L. 109-58.

² 15 U.S.C. 717t-2.

³ The Commission defines burden as the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or

provide information to or for a Federal agency. For further explanation of what is included in the information collection burden, reference 5 Code of Federal Regulations 1320.3.

⁴ 2080 hours = 40 hours/week * 52 weeks (1 year).

⁵ Average annual salary per FERC employee in 2015. We are using FERC cost (salary and benefits) as it fairly reflects an estimate for the industry cost.

⁶ Number of respondents as of the 2013 Form 552 survey