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n. Scoping Process

The Commission intends to prepare an Environmental assessment (EA) on the project in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act. The EA will consider both site-specific and cumulative environmental impacts and reasonable alternatives to the proposed action.

Scoping Meetings

FERC staff will conduct one agency scoping meeting and one public meeting. The agency scoping meeting will focus on resource agency and non-governmental organization concerns, while the public scoping meeting is primarily for public input. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend one or both of the meetings, and to assist the staff in identifying the scope of the environmental issues that should be analyzed in the EA.

The scoping meetings and the site review for both projects will be conducted jointly since these projects are in close proximity to each other. At the scoping meetings, we will discuss the Calligan Creek Project first, followed by the Hancock Creek Project.

The times and locations of these meetings are as follows:

Agency Scoping Meeting

Date: Thursday, February 27, 2014.

Time: 9:00 a.m. (PST).

Place: North Bend Rail Depot.

Address: 205 McClellan Street, North Bend, Washington.

Public Scoping Meeting

Date: Wednesday, February 26, 2014.

Time: 7:00 p.m. (PST).

Place: North Bend Rail Depot.

Address: 205 McClellan Street, North Bend, Washington.

Copies of the Scoping Document (SD1) outlining the subject areas to be addressed in the EA were distributed to the parties on the Commission's mailing list. Copies of the SD1 will be available at the scoping meeting or may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link (see item m above).

Environmental Site Review

The Applicant and FERC staff will conduct a project Environmental Site

Review beginning at 8:00 a.m. (PST) on Wednesday, February 26, 2014. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend. All participants should meet at Snoqualmie Falls Project parking area, across from the Salish Lodge. The address for the Snoqualmie Falls Project parking area is: 6501 Railroad Avenue, Snoqualmie, Washington. All participants are responsible for their own transportation to the site. Anyone with questions about the Environmental Site Review should contact Ms. Dawn Presler of SnoPUD at (425) 783-1709.

Objectives

At the scoping meetings, the staff will: (1) Summarize the environmental issues tentatively identified for analysis in the EA; (2) solicit from the meeting participants all available information, especially quantifiable data, on the resources at issue; (3) encourage statements from experts and the public on issues that should be analyzed in the EA, including viewpoints in opposition to, or in support of, the staff's preliminary views; (4) determine the resource issues to be addressed in the EA; and (5) identify those issues that require a detailed analysis, as well as those issues that do not require a detailed analysis.

Procedures

The meetings are recorded by a stenographer and become part of the formal record of the Commission proceeding on the project.

Individuals, organizations, and agencies with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the meeting and to assist the staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in the EA.

Dated: January 24, 2014.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP13-523-000]

Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Mobile Bay South III Expansion Project

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) for the

Mobile Bay South III Expansion Project, proposed by Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC (Transco) in the above-referenced docket. Transco requests authorization to modify two existing compressor stations in Choctaw and Mobile Counties, Alabama, in order to provide 225,000 dekatherms per day to serve expanding markets in southern Alabama and Florida.

The EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the Mobile Bay South III Expansion Project in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The FERC staff concludes that approval of the proposed project, with appropriate mitigating measures, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The proposed Mobile Bay South III Expansion Project includes the following facilities at Transco's existing Compressor Station 85 in Choctaw County, Alabama:

- one new 20,500-horsepower (hp) natural gas-fired Solar Titan 130 turbine compressor;
- 2,050 feet of 30-inch-diameter interconnect pipeline between the existing Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP Scott Mountain Meter Station and the new compressor unit;
- a new compressor building to house the new compressor unit; and
- appurtenant facilities.

In addition, the project includes uprating an existing 15,000-hp Solar Mars 100 natural gas-fired compressor unit to 16,000 hp at Transco's Compressor Station 83 in Mobile County, Alabama.

The FERC staff mailed copies of the EA to federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; potentially affected landowners and other interested individuals and groups; newspapers and libraries in the project area; and parties to this proceeding. In addition, the EA is available for public viewing on the FERC's Web site (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. A limited number of copies of the EA are available for distribution and public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference Room, 888 First Street NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-8371.

Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or

lessen environmental impacts. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. To ensure that the Commission has the opportunity to consider your comments prior to making its decision on this project, it is important that we receive your comments in Washington, DC on or before February 24, 2014.

For your convenience, there are three methods you can use to file your comments with the Commission. In all instances please reference the project docket number (CP13-523-000) with your submission. The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments and has expert staff available to assist you at 202-502-8258 or efiling@ferc.gov.

(1) You can file your comments electronically using the eComment feature located on the Commission's Web site (www.ferc.gov) under the link to Documents and Filings. This is an easy method for submitting brief, text-only comments on a project;

(2) You can also file your comments electronically using the eFiling feature on the Commission's Web site (www.ferc.gov) under the link to Documents and Filings. With eFiling, you can provide comments in a variety of formats by attaching them as a file with your submission. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on "eRegister." You must select the type of filing you are making. If you are filing a comment on a particular 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.

Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214).¹ Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision. The Commission grants affected landowners and others with environmental concerns intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have a clear and direct interest in this proceeding which no other party can adequately represent. Simply filing environmental comments will not give you intervenor status, but you do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

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., CP13-523). 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/esubscribenow.htm.

Dated: January 24, 2014.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2307-066]

Alaska Electric Light and Power Company; Notice of Application To Amend License and Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

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

a. *Type of Application:* Amendment of License.

b. *Project No:* 2307-066.

c. *Date Filed:* December 4, 2013, and supplemented on January 22, 2014.

d. *Applicant:* Alaska Electric Light and Power Company.

e. *Name of Project:* Annex Creek and Salmon Creek Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The project is located on Annex and Salmon Creeks near Juneau, Alaska. The project occupies federal lands within the Tongass National Forest.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Scott Willis, Vice President—Generation, Alaska

Electric Light and Power Company, 5601 Tonsgard Court, Juneau, Alaska 99801-7201; telephone: (907) 463-6396.

i. *FERC Contact:* Linda Stewart, telephone: (202) 502-6680, and email address: linda.stewart@ferc.gov.

j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests, is 30 days from the issuance date of this notice by the Commission. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file any motion to intervene, protest, comments, and/or recommendations using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-2307-066.

k. *Description of Request:* Alaska Electric Light and Power Company (AEL&P) proposes to convert 0.3 mile of the Annex Creek development's 12-mile-long, 23-kilovolt overhead transmission line to an underground transmission line. Pursuant to an amendment order issued in 1999, approximately 1 mile of the 12-mile-long transmission line was buried in the summer of 2000. The proposed underground section of transmission line would extend from the previously buried section of line located on the west side of Powerline Ridge and transition back to the existing overhead line near the location of Camp 6. The proposed underground line route would remain within both the Tongass National Forest and the existing project boundary. AEL&P proposes to change the transmission line from overhead to underground due to the harsh weather conditions that regularly damage this section of line.

l. *Locations of the Application:* This filing may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number P-2307 in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or

¹ See the previous discussion on the methods for filing comments.