Delivery Service Agreement with the City of Sturgis, Indiana.

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Any person desiring to intervene or to protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. It is not necessary to separately intervene again in a subdocket related to a compliance filing if you have previously intervened in the same docket. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. In reference to filings initiating a new proceeding, interventions or protests submitted on or before the comment deadline need not be served on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at http:// www.ferc.gov. To facilitate electronic service, persons with Internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the

intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The filings in the above proceedings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed dockets(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP06-85-000]

Centerpoint Energy Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Availability of the **Draft Environmental Impact Statement** for the Proposed Carthage to Perryville **Project**

May 26, 2006.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared this Draft **Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)** for the natural gas pipeline facilities proposed by CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission (CEGT) under the abovereferenced docket. CEGT's Carthage to Perryville Project (Project) would be located in various counties and parishes in eastern Texas and northern Louisiana.

This Draft EIS was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The FERC staff concludes that the proposed Project, with the appropriate mitigation measures as recommended, would have limited adverse environmental impact.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) are Federal cooperating agencies for the development of this EIS. A Federal cooperating agency has jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to any environmental impact involved with the proposal and is involved in the NEPA analysis.

The general purpose of the proposed Project is to facilitate the transport of up to 1.2 billion cubic feet per day of natural gas received from production areas in eastern Texas, as well as northern Louisiana, to markets in the Midwest and Northeastern regions of the United States that can be accessed through interconnects with existing pipeline infrastructure.

The Draft EIS addresses the potential environmental effects of construction and operation of the following facilities:

- About 171.9 miles of 42-inchdiameter natural gas pipeline in Panola County, Texas, and Caddo, DeSoto, Red River, Bienville, Jackson, Ouachita, and Richland Parishes, Louisiana;
- Two new, 20,620 horsepower (hp) gas-turbine-driven compressor stations, the Panola and Vernon Compressor Stations, located in Panola County, Texas, and Jackson Parish, Louisiana, respectively:
- Two meter and regulator stations at receipt points with three intrastate pipelines, including:

- -Houston Pipe Line (HPL) Meter/ Regulator (M/R) Station in Panola County, Texas;
- -Duke Energy Field Services-Enbridge M/R Station in Panola County, Texas;
- Four new meter and regulator stations at interconnects with existing interstate pipelines, including:
- -Texas Gas M/R Station in Ouachita Parish, Louisiana;
- -ANR M/R Station in Richland Parish. Louisiana;
- -Trunkline M/R Station in Richland Parish, Louisiana;
- -Columbia Gulf M/R Station in Richland Parish, Louisiana;
 - 11 mainline valves; and
- Four pig launcher/receiver facilities associated with the Panola and Vernon Compressor Stations and the HPL and Columbia Gulf M/R Stations.

CEGT proposes to construct its pipeline facilities in two phases. Construction of Phase I would be initiated in October 2006 and completed by February 2007, at which point CEGT would place the proposed Project inservice. Under Phase I, a single, 10,310hp turbine compressor would be installed at each compressor station. Under Phase II, a second compressor would be installed to bring the total installed compression at each facility to 20,620 hp. CEGT indicates that Phase II facilities would be installed and operational by October 2008.

Comment Procedures and Public

Any person wishing to comment on the Draft EIS may do so. To ensure that your comments are timely and properly recorded so that they may be considered in the Final EIS, please carefully follow these instructions:

- Send an original and two copies of your comments to: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.
- Label one copy of your comments for the attention of Gas Branch 3, DG2E;
- Reference Docket No. CP06-85-000 on the original and both copies; and
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before July 17, 2006.

To expedite the FERC's receipt and consideration of your comments, electronic submission of comments is strongly encouraged by the Commission. For information on electronically filing comments, please see 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, as well as information in 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii). Before you can

submit comments you will need to create a free account, which can be created on-line by clicking on "Sign-up" under "New User." You will also be asked to select the type of filing you are making. This filing is consistered a "Comment on Filing."

In lieu of or in addition to sending written comments, we invite you to attend the public comment meetings the FERC will conduct in the project area to receive comments on the Draft EIS. The public comment meetings on the Draft EIS for the Carthage to Perryville Project will be conducted jointly with the

public scoping meetings for the East Texas Expansion Project (FERC Docket No. PF06–17–000), which we are currently evaluating under our Pre-Filing Process. All meetings will begin at 7 p.m. (CDT), and are scheduled as follows:

Date and time	Location
Wednesday, June 21, 2006	Quitman High School Auditorium, 181 Wolverine Drive, Quitman, LA 71268, Telephone: (318)
Thursday, June 22, 2006	259–2698. Delhi High School Auditorium, 413 Main Street, Delhi, LA 71232, Telephone: (318) 878–2235.

The public comment meetings will be posted on the FERC's calendar located at http://www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx. Interested groups and individuals are encouraged to attend and present oral comments on the Draft EIS. Transcripts of the meetings will be prepared.

After the comments received are reviewed, any significant new issues are investigated, and modifications are made to the Draft EIS, a Final EIS will be published and distributed by the FERC staff. The Final EIS will contain the staff's responses to timely comments received on the Draft EIS.

Comments will be considered by the Commission but will not serve to make the commentor a party to the proceeding. 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). Anyone may intervene in this proceeding based on this Draft EIS. You must file your request to intervene as specified above.¹ You do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

The Draft EIS has been placed in the public files of the FERC and is available for public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference Room, 888 First Street N.E., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502–8371.

A limited number of copies of the Draft EIS are available from the Public Reference Room identified above. In addition, CD copies of the Draft EIS have been mailed to affected landowners; various Federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; local libraries and newspapers; intervenors; and other individuals that expressed an interest in the proposed

Project. Hard-copies of the Draft EIS have also been mailed to those who requested that format during the scoping period for the proposed Project.

To reduce printing and mailing costs for the Final EIS, the FERC will be issuing that document in both CD and hard-copy formats. In a separate mailing, the parties on the current mailing list for the Draft EIS will be sent a postcard providing an opportunity to select the format of the Final EIS that they wish to receive. The FERC is strongly encouraging the use of the CD format in their publication of large documents.

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at 1-866-208-FERC (3372) or on the FERC Internet Web site (http:// www.ferc.gov). Using the "eLibrary link," select "General Search" and enter the project docket number excluding the last three digits (i.e., CP06-85) 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 TTY (202) 502-8659. The eLibrary link on the FERC Internet Web site also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rule makings.

In addition, the FERC now offers a free service called eSubscription that 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. To register for this service, go to http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP06-143-000]

Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Algonquin Cape Cod Project; Request for Comments on Environmental Issues and Notice of Site Visit

May 26, 2006.

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 Algonquin Cape Cod Project (Project) involving construction, and operation of facilities by Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC (Algonquin) in Barnstable County, Massachusetts. The project would provide firm transportation service for new deliveries of natural gas to KeySpan Energy Delivery Services Company of New England (Keyspan) to ensure reliability and meet future demand. The project would provide up to 38,000 dekatherms per day (dth/d) of transportation capacity. In general, the project consists of about 3.5 miles of new pipeline and other auxiliary facilities.

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 June 26, 2006.

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; local libraries and newspapers. 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.

¹ Interventions may also be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See the previous discussion on filing comments electronically.