

buttress wall, (2) permanently stabilize the Newport No. 11 right abutment embankment, and (3) repower the No. 11 powerhouse through construction of an eight-foot-diameter pipe and draft tube extension from Project No. 2306's upstream Newport Nos. 1, 2, 3, powerhouse.

The project as originally proposed, and the project with dam No. 11 removed, have been addressed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Clyde River Project issued February 17, 1995. However, we were not aware when that document was issued that the Applicant was preparing to amend its application. Thus, we are providing an opportunity for additional interventions and for entities to reconsider their terms, conditions, prescriptions and comments submitted previously with respect to this application. Comments and/or petitions for intervention will be due 30 days from the date of issuance of this notice with response comments due 45 days from the date of issuance.

Copies of the application and amendment are available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch located at 941 North Capitol Street, NE., Room 3104, Washington, DC 20426 or by calling (202) 208-1371. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at Citizens Utilities Company, Citizens Road, Newport, VT 05855, or by calling (802) 334-6539. The applicant contact for this project is Mr. Frank W. Thomas.

Contact Ms. Kathleen Sherman at (202) 219-2834 for questions relating to this proceeding.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket Nos. TA94-1-23-005 and TA95-1-23-001]

Eastern Shore Natural Gas Co.; Notice of Request for Conference on Proposed Settlement

March 13, 1995.

Take notice that on March 1, 1995, Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company (Eastern Shore), pursuant to Rule 602 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.602 (1994), filed an offer of settlement in the captioned proceedings.

As part of the offer, Eastern Shore requests that the Commission convene a settlement conference to consider the offer of settlement and postpone the due

dates for comments and reply comments until after the settlement conference.

Eastern Shore states that the offer of settlement has three interdependent parts. Article I provides that Eastern Shore will change its PGA methodology from unit-of-purchase to unit-of-sales and will allocate purchased gas demand costs on the basis of contract demand entitlements. If that change is approved, Article II provides that Eastern Shore will reduce its purchased gas demand base tariff rates immediately upon the effective date of the Commission's approval. Eastern Shore would not be required to make any refunds pursuant to the May 19, 1994 order in Docket No. TA94-1-23-000, *et al.*, and would withdraw its request for rehearing of that order. Article III provides that Eastern Shore will apply to the Commission for a blanket certificate authorizing open-access transportation on its system, pursuant to 18 CFR Part 284, Subpart G.

Eastern Shore states that copies of the proposed settlement and request for settlement conference have been served on all participants on the official service lists for the captioned proceedings and on interested state commissions who were served copies of the initial rate filings in these proceedings.

Any person desiring to be heard at the conference or to comment upon the procedures suggested in the request for settlement conference to consider the offer of settlement should file a motion to intervene or comment with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 825 North Capitol Street, NE., Washington DC 20426. All such motions or comments should be filed on or before March 21, 1995. Existing parties need not file a motion to intervene, but any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP95-250-000]

NorAm Gas Transmission Co.; Notice of Application

March 13, 1995.

Take notice that on March 8, 1995, NorAm Gas Transmission Company (NGT), 1600 Smith Street, Houston, Texas 77002, filed in Docket No. CP95-250-000 an abbreviated application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural

Gas Act, as amended, and §§ 157.7 and 157.18 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations thereunder, for permission to abandon the Collinson Gas Storage Facility (Collinson), located in Cowley County, Kansas, and the reclassification of the field lines and surface equipment from gas storage to gas supply facilities, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

NGT states that Collinson consists of 720 acres and appurtenant equipment used to store natural gas at a depth of approximately 1,450 feet. NGT further states that at Collinson there are two field lines consisting of 1,654 feet of six-inch pipe and 923 feet of four-inch pipe, that connect two injection/withdrawal wells that were drilled in 1945. NGT indicates that it acquired Collinson from Consolidated Gas Utilities Corporation (Consolidated) by merger effective August 31, 1960, and received certificate authorization in Docket No. CP60-79. NGT further indicates that in 1991, it upgraded its Line 6 which enabled NGT to provide service to existing customers without the need to operate Collinson. NGT avers that on September 30, 1994, it abandoned Line 6 as part of the Kansas facilities sold to Utilcorp United, Inc. (Utilcorp), as approved by the Commission on September 28, 1994, in Docket Nos. CP93-434-000 and CP93-434-001. NGT estimates the volume of gas presently in Collinson is 847 MMcf non-current "native" or "cushion" gas.

NGT states that upon receipt of the appropriate abandonment authorization, it proposes to install a temporary 65 horsepower skid-mounted compressor at the Collinson yard to withdraw the non-current gas at an estimated initial rate of 2,000 Mcf per day until the deliverability declines to an estimated economic limit of 50 Mcf per day. NGT indicates it will install this compressor as an eligible facility pursuant to § 157.208(a) of the Commission's regulations. NGT estimates that it can recover 300 MMcf to 750 MMcf of non-current gas over a period of one to three years, at an estimated annual operating cost of \$36,000. NGT further indicates that gas wells can unpredictably produce for prolonged periods at rates less than 100 Mcf per day. NGT further states that although the economic limit is estimated to be reached within three years, NGT plans to produce the wells until the economic limit of the wells is reached.

NGT indicates it will use the gas it recovers from Collinson as part of its system management gas and accounted at fair market basis. NGT states that at

the end of this withdrawal period, it proposes to abandon the two wells at an estimated cost of \$37,000. NGT estimates the cost of removing all the field lines and appurtenant surface equipment at \$95,685.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make protest with reference to said application should on or before April 3, 1995, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C., 20426, a petition to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to the proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a petition to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission on this application if no petition to intervene is filed within the time required herein, and if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that the abandonment is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a petition for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for NGT to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-4721-3]

Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared February 13, 1995 through February 17, 1995 pursuant to the

Environmental Review Process (ERP), under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at (202) 260-5076.

An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 10, 1995 (59 FR 16807).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-COE-C39009-NY Rating EC2, Atlantic Coast of Long Island Jones Inlet to East Rockaway Inlet Storm Damage Reduction Project, Construction, Long Beach Island, Nassau County, NY.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about the potential cumulative impacts associated with this and other erosion/storm damage protection projects on Long Island and requested that additional information be presented in the final EIS.

ERP No. D-COE-K32047-CA Rating EC2, Humboldt Harbor and Bay (Deepening) Channels, Feasibility Study for Navigation Improvements, Humboldt County, CA.

SUMMARY: EPA expressed environmental concerns that the draft EIS did not analyze the no action alternative and that more information concerning both management of the unsuitable dredged material and monitoring of the disposal site was needed.

ERP No. D-FHW-B40080-MA Rating EC2, US 6 Transportation Improvements Project, between the Towns of Dennis and Orleans on Cape Cod, Funding, Coast Guard Bridge Permit and COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Barnstable County, MA.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns about the expansion of Cape Cod's Route 6 from two to four lanes between the Towns of Dennis and Orleans as proposed in the draft EIS. The project would cause direct adverse effects on the water supplies and wetlands of several towns as well as indirect environmental effects through induced growth and traffic on the Outer Cape. In keeping with the goal of the Cape Cod Commission's long range transportation plan for Cape Cod—to reduce reliance on the automobile and encourage alternative transportation modes—EPA recommended that the FHWA aggressively pursue multimodal solutions and make improvements to the existing roadway.

Final EISs

ERP No. F-FHW-C40125-NY, Northern State Parkway Widening Project, Construction from Meadowbrook State Parkway Interchange to Wantagh State Parkway Interchange, Funding, Town of North Hempstead, Nassau County, NY.

Summary: EPA believed that the proposed project will not result in significant adverse environmental impacts; therefore, EPA had no objections to its implementation.

ERP No. F-FHW-E40744-NC, US 421 Highway Improvements, East of Secondary Road 2433 to West of I-77, Funding and Possible COE Section 404 Permit, Wilkes and Yadkin Cos., NC.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns that the selected alignment was not the most environmentally sound option to meet the project's objectives.

Dated: March 14, 1995.

William D. Dickerson,

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 260-5076 OR (202) 260-5075. Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements Filed March 06, 1995 Through March 10, 1995 Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 950074, FINAL EIS, BLM, MT, Big Dry Land and Resource Management Plan, Implementation, Miles City District, several counties, MT, Due: April 17, 1995, Contact: James Beavers (406) 255-2918.

EIS No. 950075, DRAFT SUPPLEMENT, AFS, AK, Bohemia Mountain Timber Sale, Updated Information concerning Resolution of Three Appeal Issues Regarding Harvesting Timber, Tongass National Forest, Stikine Area, AK, Due: May 01, 1995, Contact: David E. Helmick (907) 772-3841.

EIS No. 950076, FINAL EIS, FRC, MN, St. Louis River Basin Hydroelectric Projects, Issuing New Licenses for FERC Projects, Cloquet NO. 2363 and St. Louis River No. 2360, St. Louis and Carlton Counties, MN, Due: April 17, 1995, Contact: John S. Blair (202) 219-2845.

EIS No. 950077, DRAFT EIS, FHW, NC, Wilmington Bypass Transportation Improvement Program, Construction