

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).

The date for filing timely motions to intervene in this proceeding has passed. Therefore, parties now seeking to file late interventions must show good cause, as required by section 385.214(b)(3), why this time limitation should be waived. Environmental issues have been viewed as good cause for late intervention. You do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered. Additional information about the proposed project is available from Mr. Paul McKee of the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (202) 208-1088 or on the FERC website (www.ferc.fed.us) using the "RIMS" link to information in this docket number. For assistance with access to RIMS, the RIMS helpline can be reached at (202) 208-2222. Access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission with regard to this docket, such as orders and notices, is also available on the FERC website using the "CIPS" link. For assistance with access to CIPS, the CIPS helpline can be reached at (202) 208-2474.

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Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER99-415-000]

Commonwealth Chesapeake Company, L.L.C.; Notice of Issuance of Order

December 23, 1998.

Commonwealth Chesapeake Company is a Virginia corporation created for the purpose of developing, building, owning and operating a 300 MW generating facility in Accomack County, Virginia. Commonwealth Chesapeake filed an application requesting that the Commission authorize it to engage in wholesale power sales at market-based rates, and for certain waivers and authorizations. In particular, Commonwealth Chesapeake requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liabilities by Commonwealth Chesapeake. On December 21, 1998, the Commission issued an Order Conditionally

Accepting For Filing Proposed Market-Based Rates (Order), in the above-docketed proceeding.

The Commission's December 21, 1998 Order granted the request for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the conditions found in Ordering Paragraphs (F), (G), and (I):

(F) Within 30 days of the date of this order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the Commission's blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities by Commonwealth Chesapeake should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214.

(G) Absent a request to be heard within the period set forth in Ordering Paragraph (F) above, Commonwealth Chesapeake is hereby authorized to issue securities and assume obligations and liabilities as guarantor, indorser, surety or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issue or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of Commonwealth Chesapeake, compatible with the public interest, and reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

(I) The Commission reserves the right to modify this order to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued Commission approval of Commonwealth Chesapeake's issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities. . . .

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is January 20, 1999.

Copies of the full text of the Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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[Docket No. CP99-114-000]

El Paso Natural Gas Company, Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

December 23, 1998.

Take notice that on December 14, 1998, El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso), Post Office Box 1492, El Paso, Texas 79978, filed in Docket No. CP99-114-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.212) for authorization to construct, and operate a new delivery point in Pinal County, Arizona, to be known as the Kai Farms #5 Delivery Point, to permit the interruptible transportation and delivery of natural gas to Kai Farms Company (Kai Farms). El Paso makes such request under its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-435-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the Commission.

El Paso states that it provides interruptible transportation service to Kai Farms pursuant to the terms and conditions of a Transportation Service Agreement (TSA) dated August 18, 1988, as amended and restated April 1, 1991. It is indicated that the TSA provides for the interruptible transportation of natural gas from any point of interconnection on El Paso's interstate system to various points in Pima County, Arizona.

El Paso states that Kai Farms has informed El Paso that in addition to its operations in Pima County, that Kai Farms has a farming business in Pinal County, Arizona, and that Kai Farms has installed irrigation pumps requiring natural gas for operation. El Paso by its request is proposing to construct and operate a new delivery point on El Paso's existing 6-inch Hayden Line (Line No. 2023) in Pinal County to serve Kai Farms in Pinal County.

It is stated that the proposed quantity of natural gas to be transported on an interruptible basis to the Kai Farms #5 Delivery Point is estimated to be 219,000 Mcf annually, or an average of 600 Mcf per day. The estimated maximum peak day natural gas requirement is 840 Mcf by the fifth year.

El Paso avers that the construction of the proposed delivery point is not prohibited by El Paso's existing tariff, and that the total volumes to be delivered at the proposed delivery point will not exceed the total volumes