

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Office of Science; Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee**

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee (BESAC). Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, February 24, 1999, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and Thursday, February 25, 1999, 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Gaithersburg Hilton, 620 Perry Parkway, Gaithersburg, MD 20877.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharon Long; Office of Basic Energy Sciences; U.S. Department of Energy; 19901 Germantown Road; Germantown, MD 20874-1290; Telephone: 301-903-5565.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: The purpose of this meeting is to provide advice and guidance with respect to the basic energy sciences research program.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include discussions of the following:

- Opening Remarks and Introduction from Dr. Martha Krebs, Director, Office of Science

- Fiscal Year 2000 Budget Status Update

- Report from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) on NIH Macromolecular Crystallography Activities at Synchrotron Radiation Light Sources

- Status of the Spallation Neutron Source Science Program

- User Fees at Basic Energy Sciences Facilities

- Report of the Solid State Sciences Committee on Condensed-Matter and Materials Physics

- BESAC Fourth Generation Light Source Panel Report

- BESAC E-Beam Review Status

- Update on Complex and Collective Phenomena Workshop

- BESAC/Office of Science—Roadmapping

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Sharon Long at 301-903-6594 (fax) or sharon.long@science.doe.gov (e-mail). You must make your request for

an oral statement at least 5 business days before the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will follow the 10-minute rule.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying within 30 days at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room; 1E-190, Forrestal Building; 1000 Independence Avenue, SW; Washington, DC, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Issued at Washington, DC on January 26, 1999.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP99-145-000]

Williams Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

January 25, 1999.

Take notice that on January 11, 1999, as supplemented on January 19, 1999, Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc. (Williams), One Williams Center, P.O. Box 3288, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101, filed in Docket No. CP99-145-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212(a) of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.212(a)) for authorization to utilize facilities installed for the delivery of NGPA Section 311 transportation gas to Missouri Public Service (MPS) for the Greenwood (Greenwood) power plant located in Jackson County, Missouri, for purposes other than NGPA Section 311 transportation under Williams blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-479-000, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Williams states that the facilities consist of a 16-inch tap on its 20-inch Grain Valley pipeline (Line XMA) and a triple run orifice meter setting, a 10' x 12' meter house, electronic flow measurement equipment, and appurtenant facilities setting on a 50' by

105' site in the plant yard. Williams anticipates that these facilities will be used for deliveries of gas other than NGPA Section 311 transportation and is seeking authorization to perform those deliveries. Williams states that it began delivering gas to MPS for Greenwood on December 19, 1996 with an initial delivery of 1,915 Dth. The annual volume to be delivered is estimated to be 685,000 Dth increasing to 729,000 Dth within three years. Williams estimates that the peak day volume will be 25,000 Dth. Williams notes that subject authorization will allow MPS receipt point and capacity release flexibility in the future.

Williams states the operation of the subject facilities will have no impact on its peak day or annual deliveries since the power plant load is primarily from May through October. According to Williams, the cost to construct the subject facilities was \$249,942, which was fully reimbursed by MPS. Williams contends that since it is an open access transporter pursuant to Section 284 blanket certificate, the volume of gas delivered to MPS after the request will not exceed the volume of gas authorized prior to the request. Williams has attached copies of its clearance letters from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Missouri State Historic Preservation Officer. Additionally, Williams has attached a copy of its Upland Erosion Control, Revegetation and Maintenance Plan utilized in the construction of the facilities. Williams states that it is sending a copy of the request to the Missouri Public Service Commission. Williams states that the proposal is not prohibited by an existing tariff, and Williams has sufficient capacity to accomplish the deliveries specified without detriment or disadvantage to its other customers.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefor, the proposed activity shall be deemed authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for

authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Ready for Environmental Analysis and Soliciting Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Prescriptions

January 25, 1999.

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

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 2731-020.

c. *Date Filed:* May 27, 1998.

d. *Applicant:* Central Vermont Public Service Corporation.

e. *Name of Project:* Weybridge Project.

f. *Location:* On Otter Creek, at river mile 19.5 from the confluence with Lake Champlain, in Addison County, Vermont. There are no federal lands located within the project area.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. John C. Greenan, P.E., Central Vermont Public Service Corporation, 77 Grove Street, Rutland, Vermont 05701, (802) 747-5707.

i. *FERC Contact:* Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Jack Duckworth, E-mail address, jack.duckworth@ferc.fed.us, or telephone (202) 219-2818.

j. *Deadline for comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions:* 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all interveners filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears on the official service list for the project.

Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. *Status of environmental analysis:* This application has been accepted for filing and is ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. *Description of the Project:* The project consists of the following existing facilities: (1) a 30-foot-high, 302.6-foot-long concrete gravity dam consisting of two spillway sections, a 150-foot-long west spillway section, topped with a 6-foot-high hinged steel flashboard, and abutted by a 20-foot-wide and 10-foot-high Taintor gate, and a 116-foot-long east spillway section topped with an automatically inflated rubber weir; (2) a 1.5-mile-long, 62-acre impoundment with a normal water surface elevation of 174.3 feet above mean sea level (msl); (3) a powerhouse integral with the dam containing a single turbine generator with an installed capacity of 3,000 kilowatts (kW); (4) transmission facilities; and (5) appurtenant facilities.

m. *Locations of the Application:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room, 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. The application may be viewed on the web at www.ferc.fed.us. Call (202) 208-2222 for assistance. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address shown in item h.

n. this notice also consists of the following standard paragraph: D10.

D10. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents*—The application is ready for environmental analysis at this time, and the Commission is requesting comments, reply comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions.

The commission directs, pursuant to Section 4.34(b) of the Regulations (see Order No. 533 issued May 8, 1991, 56 FR 23108, May 20, 1991) that all comments, recommendations, terms and conditions and prescriptions concerning the application be filed with the Commission within 60 days from the issuance date of this notice. All reply comments must be filed with the Commission within 105 days from the date of this notice.

Anyone may obtain an extension of time for these deadlines from the Commission only upon a showing of good cause or extraordinary circumstances in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2008.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "REPLY COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS", "TERMS AND CONDITIONS", or "PRESCRIPTIONS"; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and

the project number of the application to which the filing response; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies required by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Project Review, Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. Each filing must be accompanied by proof of service on all person listed on the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 19 CFR 4.34(b), and 385.2010.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Ready for Environmental, Analysis and Soliciting Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Prescriptions

January 25, 1999.

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

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 2737-002.

c. *Date Filed:* June 25, 1998.

d. *Applicant:* Central Vermont Public Service Corporation.

e. *Name of Project:* Middlebury Lower Project.

f. *Location:* On Otter Creek, at river mile 24.5 from the confluence with Lake Champlain, in Addison County, Vermont. There are no federal lands located within the project area.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. John C. Greenan, P.E., Central Vermont Public Service Corporation, 77 Grove Street, Rutland, Vermont 05701, (802) 747-5707.