

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RP97-420-003]

Southern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Conference

March 18, 1999.

The above referenced docket relates to Southern Natural Gas Company's (Southern) operational flow orders (OFOs). Parties have raised certain concerns with Southern's one-year report regarding OFOs. In order to facilitate the resolution of the issues in this proceeding, the Commission Staff is convening an informal conference among the interested parties.

Take notice that the conference will be held on Thursday, April 15, 1999, at 10 a.m., in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

Southern and interested parties should be prepared to discuss in detail the OFOs in order to resolve the specific concerns raised by the parties in these proceedings.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,*Acting Secretary.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP99-253-000]

Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

March 18, 1999.

Take notice that on March 12, 1999, Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation (Texas Eastern), 5400 Westheimer Court, Houston, Texas 77056-5310, filed in Docket No. CP99-253-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.211 of the Commission's

Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.211) for authorization to construct and operate a delivery point in Monroe County, Mississippi so that Texas Eastern may provide natural gas deliveries to the town of Shannon, Mississippi under Texas Eastern's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-535-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be viewed

on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Texas Eastern proposes to construct and install a single 2-inch tap valve, a 2-inch check valve and a 2-inch insulating flange on Texas Eastern's existing 6-inch Line No. 25-B, at approximately Mile Post 0.02, in Monroe County, Mississippi. Texas Eastern states that the town of Shannon will install or cause to be installed dual 2-inch turbine meter runs and associated piping and valves (meter station), approximately 25 feet of 2-inch pipeline which will extend from the meter station to the tap and gas measurement equipment. Texas Eastern states that the Town of Shannon will reimburse Texas Eastern 100% of the cost and expenses incurred to install the tap.

Texas Eastern states that its existing tariff does not prohibit the addition of this facility, the delivery point will have no effect on Texas Eastern's peak day or annual deliveries, and its proposal will be accomplished without detriment or disadvantage to Texas Eastern's 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 to be 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,*Acting Secretary.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 340-051]

Alabama Power Company; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

March 18, 1999.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and

the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's regulations, 18 CFR Part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47910), the Office of Hydropower Licensing (OHL) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) for an application to amend the Recreation Plan and change the Project Boundary on Lake Martin. Alabama Power Company proposes to remove the 30-acre Tallassee Recreational Use Area (RUA), No. 7 from the project boundary; add 40 acres to RUA No. 1 (West of Dadeville); and reclassify the Chapman Creek RUA No. 8 to Natural Undeveloped land from Recreational Use land. In the EA, staff concludes that approval of the licensee's proposal would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. The Martin Dam Project is located on the Tallapoosa River in Tallapoosa, Coosa and Elmore Counties, Alabama.

The EA was written by staff in the Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Copies of the EA are available for review at the Commission's Reference and Information Center, Room 2-A, 888 North Capitol Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. The EA may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (please call (202) 208-2222 for assistance).

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,*Acting Secretary.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Western Area Power Administration****Boulder Canyon Project—Firm Power Services Base Charge****AGENCY:** Western Area Power Administration, DOE.**ACTION:** Notice of Proposed Base Charge Adjustments.

SUMMARY: The Western Area Power Administration's (Western) Desert Southwest Region (DSW) is initiating a rate adjustment process for the firm power services base charge for the Boulder Canyon Project (BCP) for FY 2000. The annual base charge adjustments are a requirement of the rate setting methodology approved on a final basis by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) on April 19, 1996. The existing rate schedule was placed into effect on November 1, 1995. The power repayment study indicates the proposed base charge herein for BCP firm power services is appropriate to provide sufficient revenue to pay all