

with the City of Gas City, Indiana under I&M's FERC Electric Tariff MRS, Original Volume No. 7 (Third revised Service Agreement No. 17).

Take notice that on December 10, 2003, I&M submitted a filing to provide a complete page and correct clerical errors contained in Service Agreement No. 17. I&M notes that it is submitting corrected information to be substituted for the version filed on October 31, 2003.

Comment Date: December 31, 2003.

7. Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

[Docket No. ER04-219-000]

Take notice that on November 24, 2003, Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (SPP) submitted for filing a Letter Agreement between Southwestern Public Service Company d/b/a/ Xcel Energy (SPS) and Caprock Wind, LP (Caprock) (collectively Parties). SPP states that the agreement provides for the performance of certain engineering and design activities by Xcel and the payment for such activities by Caprock relating to the proposed interconnection of a generating facility to be owned and constructed by Caprock. SPP Also states while it is not a party to this Letter Agreement, it is submitting the Letter Agreement on behalf of the Parties as the relevant Transmission Provider. SPP seeks an effective date of October 2003 for this Letter Agreement.

Comment Date: December 24, 2003.

8. PacificCorp

[Docket No. ER04-272-000]

Take notice that on December 8, 2003, PacificCorp tendered for filing in accordance with 18 CFR 35 of the Commission's Rule and Regulations, a Generation Interconnection Facilities Agreement dated June 17, 2003 between PacificCorp and Eurus Combine Hills 1 LLC and a Generation Interconnection Operation and Maintenance Agreement dated June 17, 2003, between PacificCorp and Eurus Combine Hills 1 LLC and all related to Eurus Combine Hills 1 LLC's Combine Hills Turbine Ranch 1 wind generating facility.

PacificCorp states that copies of this filing were supplied to the Public Utility Commission of Oregon, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, and Eurus Combine Hills 1 LLC.

Comment Date: December 30, 2003.

9. Calpine Oneta Power, L.P.

[Docket No. ER04-279-000]

Take notice that on December 11, 2003, Calpine Oneta Power, L.P. tendered for filing, under Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, a rate schedule

for system support services, whereby it would make available to Public Service Company of Oklahoma d/b/a American Electric Power, an emergency redispatch service.

Comment Date: January 2, 2004.

10. NorthWestern Energy

[Docket No. ER04-280-000]

Take notice that on December 11, 2003, NorthWestern Energy, a division of NorthWestern Corporation (NorthWestern), tendered for filing a Notice of Cancellation pursuant to 18 CFR 35.15, to reflect cancellation of the Non-Firm Point to Point Transmission Service Agreement between NorthWestern and Southern Energy Trading and Marketing, Inc., which now does business as Mirant Americas, Inc. The non-firm transmission service agreement is a conforming agreement under NorthWestern's Open Access Transmission Tariff. The agreement was executed July 10, 1996, but NorthWestern has never provided any service under agreement.

Comment Date: January 2, 2004.

11. ISO New England Inc.

[Docket No. OA97-237-000]

Take notice that on December 11, 2003, ISO New England Inc. filed its "Quarterly Report for Regulators," as required by Appendix A to Market Rule 1, for the second quarter.

Comment Date: January 2, 2004.

Standard Paragraph

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). 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. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date, and, to the extent applicable, must be served on the applicant and on any other person designated on the official service list. This filing is available for review at the Commission or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "FERRIS" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number filed to access the document. For assistance, call (202) 502-8222 or TTY, (202) 502-8659. Protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper; see 18

CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP04-13-000]

Saltville Gas Storage Company L.L.C.; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Saltville Storage Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

December 16, 2003.

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 construction of a limited number of new facilities and operation of existing facilities by Saltville Gas Storage Company L.L.C. (Saltville) in Smyth and Washington Counties, Virginia.¹ Saltville is currently developing a new 8.2 billion cubic feet (Bcf), underground natural gas storage facility using depleted salt caverns that was previously authorized for construction and operation by the Virginia State Corporation Commission. Saltville has received all necessary state regulatory approvals to construct and operate its storage facility. See Appendix 1 for a list of the facilities and their construction status. The EA will focus its analysis on the facilities that still need to be constructed, and on restoration of the areas previously disturbed or currently being disturbed by on-going construction activities. This EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

The Saltville Storage Project is located entirely on land that is either already owned by Saltville or over which it already holds all necessary rights-of-

¹ Saltville's application was filed with the Commission under section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act and part 157 of the Commission's regulations. The Commission determined that the project should be subject to Federal regulation. Therefore, Saltville has filed for approval to complete construction of the project and to operate it pursuant to Federal regulatory requirements.

way. Saltville does not require additional property rights from landowners in the vicinity of the project. The 6.7-mile-long, 24-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline has already been constructed and is in service. All of the facilities that remain to be constructed by Saltville would be located within its 650-acre property. Saltville commenced limited customer service on August 1, 2003.

Summary of the Project

Saltville wants to develop and operate up to four salt storage caverns with a total capacity of 8.2 Bcf. Caverns 1 and 2 have been completed and are in service. Well conversion work remains to be completed on well 23 in Cavern 3 and this conversion work is in progress. Saltville has also substantially completed all of the pipelines and other facilities necessary to operate this storage field with the exception of the following facilities that will be examined in the EA:

- Construction of a second 5,250 horsepower electric-motor driven reciprocating compressor and associated dehydrators and heaters at the existing compressor station;
- Development of Cavern 4 (recomplete Well 24) that would have a capacity of about 0.2 Bcf and associated gas and brine piping (about 500 and 200 feet, respectively) and controls;
- Installation of Cavern 3's *de minimus* associated gas and brine piping connections between the already installed gas and brine mainlines that are currently in-place adjacent to Wells 18, 19, 21, 22, and 23 and controls; and
- A new office building.

All of these facilities are within Saltville's property. No nonjurisdictional facilities are needed. The EA would also address any facility removal activities.

The location of the project facilities is shown in appendix 2.²

Land Requirements for the Project

No new land is required. All of the facilities that remain to be constructed would be located in previously disturbed areas that are within Saltville's 650-acre property. These areas are mostly covered with gravel or broken native rock at this time.

² The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the **Federal Register**. Copies of all appendices, other than appendix 1 (maps), are available on the Commission's website at the "eLibrary" link or from the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, or call (202) 502-8371. For instructions on connecting to "eLibrary" refer to the last page of this notice. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail.

The EA Process

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impacts that could result from its action whenever it considers the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. NEPA also requires us³ to discover and address concerns the public may have about proposals. This process is referred to as "scoping". The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the EA on the important environmental issues. By this notice of intent, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of the issues it will address in the EA. All comments received are considered during the preparation of the EA. State and local government representatives are encouraged to notify their constituents of this proposed action and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

The EA will discuss impacts that could occur as a result of the construction and operation of the proposed project under these general headings:

- Geology and soils
- Land use
- Water resources, fisheries, and wetlands
- Cultural resources
- Vegetation and wildlife
- Air quality and noise
- Public safety
- Endangered and threatened species

We will also evaluate possible alternatives to the proposed project, and make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid impacts on the various resource areas.

Our independent analysis of the issues will be in the EA. Depending on the comments received during the scoping process, the EA may be published and mailed to Federal, state, and local agencies, public interest groups, interested individuals, affected landowners, newspapers, libraries, and the Commission's official service list for this proceeding. A comment period will be allotted for review if the EA is published. We will consider all comments on the EA before we make our recommendations to the Commission.

To ensure your comments are considered, please carefully follow the instructions in the public participation section below.

³ "We", "us", and "our" refer to the environmental staff of the Office of Energy Projects (OEP).

Currently Identified Environmental Issues

We have already identified several issues that we think deserve attention based on a preliminary review of the proposed facilities and the environmental information provided by Saltville and stakeholders. This preliminary list of issues may be changed based on your comments and our analysis.

- Noise from compressor station operations.
- Public safety.
- Saltville fault.

Public Participation

You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the project. By becoming a commenter, your concerns will be addressed in the EA and considered by the Commission. You should focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impact. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send an original and two copies of your letter to: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of Gas Branch 2.
- Reference Docket No. CP04-13-000.
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before January 14, 2004.

Please note that we are continuing to experience delays in mail deliveries from the U.S. Postal Service. As a result, we will include all comments that we receive within a reasonable time frame in our environmental analysis of this project. However, the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing of any comments or interventions or protests to this proceeding. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and 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. Before you can file comments you will need to create a free account which can be created on-line.

We may mail the EA for comment. If you are interested in receiving it, please return the Information Request (appendix 4). If you do not return the Information Request, you will be taken off the mailing list.

Becoming an Intervenor

In addition to involvement in the EA scoping process, you may want to become an official party to the proceeding known as an "intervenor". Intervenor play a more formal role in the process. Among other things, intervenors have the right to receive copies of case-related Commission documents and filings by other intervenors. Likewise, each intervenor must provide 14 copies of its filings to the Secretary of the Commission and must send a copy of its filings to all other parties on the Commission's service list for this proceeding. If you want to become an intervenor you must file a motion to intervene according to Rule 214 of the Commission's rules of practice and procedure (18 CFR 385.214) (see Appendix 3).⁴ Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision.

Affected landowners and parties with environmental concerns may be granted intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have a clear and direct interest in this proceeding which would not be adequately represented by any other parties. You do not need intervenor status to have your environmental comments considered.

Environmental Mailing List

An effort is being made to send this notice to all individuals, organizations, and government entities interested in and/or potentially affected by the proposed project.

Additional Information

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at 1-866-208-FERC or on the FERC Internet Web site (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on "General Search" and enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field. Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance with "eLibrary", the eLibrary helpline can be reached at 1-866-208-3676, TTY (202) 502-8659, or at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov. 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 rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission now offers a free service called eSubscription which 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. Go to www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm.

Finally, public meetings or site visits will be posted on the Commission's calendar located at <http://www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx> along with other related information.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OAR-2003-0206; FRL-7602-1]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Emission Control System Performance Warranty Regulations and Voluntary Aftermarket Part Certification Program—OMB Control Number: 2060-0060

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit the following proposed/continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Emission Control System Performance Warranty Regulations and Voluntary Aftermarket Part Certification Program, OMB Control Number 2060-0060, expiration date 02/29/04. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before February 23, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Follow the detailed instructions in **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mrs. Chestine Payton, Certification and Compliance Division, Outreach and Planning Group, 6405J, telephone (202) 343-9240, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460, telefax (202) 343-2804, and e-mail payton.chestine@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA has established a public docket for this ICR

under Docket ID number OAR-2003-0206, which is available for public viewing at the Air Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC. The Air Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the Air Docket is (202) 566-1742. An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA Dockets (EDOCKET) at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>. You may use EDOCKET to obtain a copy of the draft collection of information, submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the docket ID number identified above.

Any comments related to this ICR should be submitted to EPA and OMB within 60 days of this notice, and according to the following detailed instructions: Submit your comments to EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), by e-mail to air-and-r-docket@epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, OAR, Mail Code 6102T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460.

EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing in DOCKET as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, CBI, or other information whose public disclosure is restricted by statute. When EPA identifies a comment containing copyrighted material, EPA will provide a reference to that material in the version of the comment that is placed in DOCKET. The entire printed comment, including the copyrighted material, will be available in the public docket. Although identified as an item in the official docket, information claimed as CBI, or whose disclosure is otherwise restricted by statute, is not included in the official public docket, and will not be available for public viewing in DOCKET. For further information about the electronic docket, see EPA's **Federal Register** notice describing the electronic docket at 67 FR 38102 (May 31, 2002), or go to <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>.

Affected entities: Parties potentially affected by this action are automotive manufacturers and builders of automotive after market parts.

Title: Emission Control System Performance Warranty Regulations &

⁴ Interventions may also be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See the previous discussion on filing comments electronically.