
[Docket No. NJ04–2–000]


Basin Electric requests that the Commission allow the Revised Sheets to become effective January 20, 2004. Basin Electric states that copies of the filing were served upon customers under the West-Side OATT and the Public Service Company of Colorado, the Iowa Utilities Board, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, the Montana Public Service Commission, the Nebraska Public Service Commission, the New Mexico Public Service Commission, the North Dakota Public Service Commission, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission, and the Wyoming Public Service Commission.

Comment Date: February 10, 2004.


[Docket No. OA97–237–016]

Take notice that on January 20, 2004, the New England Power Pool (NEPOOL) Participants Committee and ISO New England Inc. (ISO–NE), pursuant to the Commission’s December 22, 2003, Order in Docket Nos. OA97–237–012, –013, and –014, 105 FERC ¶ 61,317 (the December 22 Order), and pursuant to rule 1907 of the Commission’s rules of practice and procedure, 18 CFR 385.1007 (2003), have jointly submitted an informational report which: (1) Provides annual transmission revenue requirement submissions for the Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company, revised in accordance with the December 22 Order; and, (2) states that NEPOOL and ISO–NE will implement on or before NEPOOL’s April 2004 billing cycle an adjustment for previously billed charges for regional network service under the formula rate provisions of the NEPOOL Tariff for charges in effect for the NEPOOL rate years June 1, 1997, through May 31, 2000, to reflect the findings in the December 22 Order regarding an audit of those charges undertaken by NEPOOL and ISO–NE.

The NEPOOL Participants Committee and ISO–NE states that copies of these materials were sent to the NEPOOL Participants and the New England State governors and regulatory commissions.

Comment Date: February 10, 2004.

Standard Paragraph

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., 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. Enter the docket number in the search field. To access further information, contact the Commission’s Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502–8371.

Magalie R. Salas,
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP04–12–000]

TransColorado Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Compression Expansion Project


The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) on the natural gas pipeline facilities proposed by TransColorado Gas Transmission Company (TransColorado) in the above-referenced docket.

The EA was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The staff concludes that approval of the proposed project (“Compression Expansion Project”), with appropriate mitigating measures as recommended, would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. The EA evaluates alternatives to the proposal, including the no-action alternative, system alternatives, and site alternatives.

The EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the proposed facilities in Colorado. The purpose of the Compression Expansion Project is to enable TransColorado to increase transportation capacity on its system by 125,000 dekatherms per day. Specifically, TransColorado would:

- Construct a new compressor station (Whitewater) in Mesa County and install one 4,735-horsepower (hp) compressor;
- Re-wheel a compressor at the existing Olathe Compressor Station in Montrose County, with no change in horsepower;
- Construct a new compressor station (Redvale) and 692 feet of 10-inch-diameter pipeline (Redvale Pipeline) in Montrose County, and install one 4,735-hp compressor;
- Install one 3,550-hp compressor at the existing Dolores Compressor Station in Dolores County;
- Construct a new compressor station (Mancos) in Montezuma County and install two 3,550-hp compressors; and
- Construct, modify, and operate certain ancillary facilities entirely within the above-identified compressor stations.

The EA has been placed in the public files of the FERC. A limited number of copies of the EA are available for distribution and public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502–8371.

Copies of the EA have been mailed to Federal, State, and local agencies; public interest groups; interested individuals; newspapers; libraries; and parties to this proceeding.

Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. To ensure consideration prior to a Commission decision on the proposal, it is important that we receive your comments before the date specified below. Please follow these instructions carefully to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:
• Send an original and two copies of your comments to: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426;
• Label one copy of the comments for the attention of Gas Branch 1, PJ–11.1;
• Reference Docket No. CP04–12–006; and
• Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC, on or before March 5, 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 by clicking on “Sign-up.”

Comments will be considered by the Commission but will not serve to make the commentor a party to the proceeding. Any person seeking to be 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) 1. 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 direct 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 comments considered.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from the Commission’s Office of External Affairs, at 1–866–208–FERC (1–866–208–3372) 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 FERCONDOnlineSupport@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 notifications of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to https:// ferconline.ferc.gov/, click on “eSubscription” and then click on “Sign-up.”

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
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ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Eastleg Expansion Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues and Notice of Site Visit


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 Eastleg Expansion Project involving construction and operation of facilities by ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) in Washington, Brown and Ontoco Counties, Wisconsin.1 These facilities would consist of about 8 miles of various diameter pipelines and one gas cooler at a compressor station. This EA will be used by the Commission in its decisionmaking process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

If you are a landowner receiving this notice, you may be contacted by a pipeline company representative about the acquisition of an easement to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed facilities. The pipeline company would seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement.

However, if the project is approved by the Commission, that approval conveys with it the right of eminent domain. Therefore, if easement negotiations fail to produce an agreement, the pipeline company could initiate condemnation proceedings in accordance with State law.

A fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled “An Interstate Natural Gas Facility On My Land? What Do I Need To Know?” was attached to the project notice ANR provided to landowners. This fact sheet addresses a number of typically asked questions, including the use of eminent domain and how to participate in the Commission’s proceedings. It is available for viewing on the FERC Internet Web site (http://www.ferc.gov).

Summary of the Proposed Project

ANR wants to expand the capacity of its natural gas pipeline facilities to transport an additional 143,400 million British Thermal Units per day of natural gas along its 30-inch-diameter mainline in Wisconsin that would in turn serve two recently approved power plants under construction. ANR seeks authority to construct and operate:

• 4.7 miles of 30-inch-diameter pipeline to replace 4.7 miles of 14-inch-diameter pipeline, to be abandoned by removal, in Washington County, Wisconsin, including one new pig launcher and two new pig receivers (Mainline Replacement);
• 3.5 miles of 8-inch-diameter pipeline looping in Brown County, Wisconsin, including one new pig launcher and receiver and two tie-in facilities (Denmark Lateral Loop); and
• Modifications on its existing Mountain Compressor Station in Ontoco County, Wisconsin, including re-wheeling of a compressor unit and addition of a gas cooler and new piping and appurtenant facilities.

The general location of the project facilities is shown in appendix 1.2

Land Requirements for Construction

Construction of the proposed facilities would require about 125 acres of land, of which 38 acres is currently in permanent right-of-way (ROW) easement and 87 acres would be temporary ROW easement. Following construction, about 10 acres of the temporary ROW easement would be converted to new permanent right-of-way for maintenance of the Denmark Lateral Loop. The remaining 77 acres of

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1 Interventions may also be filed.

2 The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the Federal Register. Copies of all appendices, other than appendix I (maps), are available on the Commission’s Web site at the “eLibrary” link or from the Commission’s Public Reference Room, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, or call (202) 502–8371. For instructions on connecting to eLibrary refer to page 6 of this notice. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail.