

FAR Secretariat (VR), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0024, Buy American Certificate, in all correspondence.

Dated: August 27, 2004.

**Ralph J. De Stefano,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

#### NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0045]

#### **Federal Acquisition Regulation; Information Collection; Bid Guarantees, Performance and Payment Bonds, and Alternative Payment Protections**

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0045).

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning bid guarantees, performance and payment bonds, and alternative payment protections. The clearance currently expires on October 31, 2004.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before November 1, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (VR), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0045, Bid, Performance, and Payment Bonds, in all correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**  
Cecelia Davis, Contract Policy Division,  
GSA (202) 219-0202.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **A. Purpose**

These regulations implement the statutory requirements of the Miller Act (40 U.S.C. 270a-270e), which requires performance and payment bonds for any construction contract exceeding \$100,000, unless it is impracticable to require bonds for work performed in a foreign country, or it is otherwise authorized by law. In addition, the regulations implement the note to 40 U.S.C. 270a, entitled "Alternatives to Payment Bonds Provided by the Federal Acquisition Regulation," which requires alternative payment protection for construction contracts that exceed \$25,000 but do not exceed \$100,000. Although not required by statute, under certain circumstances the FAR permits the Government to require bonds on other than construction contracts.

##### **B. Annual Reporting Burden**

*Respondents:* 11,304.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 5.

*Total Responses:* 56,520.

*Hours Per Response:* .42.

*Total Burden Hours:* 23,738.

##### *Obtaining Copies of Proposals:*

Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (VR), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0045, Bid, Performance, and Payment Bonds, in all correspondence.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP04-491-000]

#### **ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes In FERC Gas Tariff**

August 25, 2004.

Take notice that on August 23, 2004, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, to become effective September 23, 2004:

Eighth Revised Sheet No. 71,  
Second Revised Sheet No. 75D,  
First Revised Sheet No. 75G.01,  
Fourth Revised Sheet No. 76,  
Fifth Revised Sheet No. 93.

ANR states that the purpose of the filing is to modify the applicable tariff sheets to show address changes due to the centralization of office locations.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file 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 notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed in accordance with the provisions of Section 154.210 of the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 154.210). Anyone filing an intervention or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. Anyone filing an intervention or protest on or before the intervention or protest date need not serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the web site that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed

docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

**Magalie R. Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Application for Non-Project Use of Project Lands and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

August 26, 2004.

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

a. *Application Type:* Non-Project Use of Project Lands.

b. *Project No:* 2210-104.

c. *Dates Filed:* August 16, 2004.

d. *Applicant:* Appalachian Power Company (APC).

e. *Name of Project:* Smith Mountain Pumped Storage Project.

f. *Location:* The project is located on the Roanoke River, in Bedford, Pittsylvania, Franklin, and Roanoke Counties, Virginia.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791 (a) 825(r) and 799 and 801.

h. *Applicant Contact:* Teresa P. Rogers, Hydro Generation Department, American Electric Power, P.O. Box 2021, Roanoke, VA 24022-2121, (540) 985-2441.

i. *FERC Contact:* Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Mrs. Heather Campbell at (202) 502-6182, or e-mail address:

[heather.campbell@ferc.gov](mailto:heather.campbell@ferc.gov).

j. *Deadline for filing comments and or motions:* September 27, 2004.

*All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with:* Ms. Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington DC 20426. Please include the project number (P-2210-104) on any comments or motions filed. Comments, 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 at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages e-filings.

k. *Description of Request:* APC is requesting approval to grant a variance for construction of a single-family pier located in the Pirates Cove subdivision. The pier would be located along the shoreline which is classified as Conservation/Environmental under APC's shoreline management plan (SMP).<sup>1</sup> The pier would be built overtop of the wetland vegetation. There is no dredging associated with the proposal.

l. *Location of the Application:* This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, D.C. 20426 or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "e-library" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h. above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission. (See address in item j above.)

n. *Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene*—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

o. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents*—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTEST", OR "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

p. *Agency Comments*—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file

<sup>1</sup> The SMP was filed on September 2, 2003 and is a separate pending proceeding before the Commission.

comments on the described applications. Copies of the applications may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

**Magalie R. Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP04-398-000]

#### Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Application

August 24, 2004.

Take notice that on August 18, 2004, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), 1700 MacCorkle Avenue, SE., Charleston, West Virginia 25314, filed in Docket No. CP04-398-000 pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, and Part 157 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, an application seeking a certificate of public convenience and necessity to realign a portion of the boundary and protective boundary surrounding its Crawford Storage Field that is located in Fairfield and Hocking Counties, Ohio, all as more fully described in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link, select "Docket #" and follow the instructions. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll-free at (866) 208-3676, or TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to counsel for Columbia, Fredric J. George, Senior Attorney, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation, P.O. Box 1273, Charleston, West Virginia 25325-1273; or call (304) 357-2359, fax (304) 357-3206.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First