

your submission in the same manner as you would if filing on paper and save it to a file on your hard drive. Before you can file comments, you will need to create an account by clicking on "login to file" and then "New User Account". You will be asked to select the type of filing you are making. This filing is considered a "comment on filing."

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 send one electronic copy (using the Commission's eFiling system) or 14 paper 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 2).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. This includes all landowners who are potential right-of-way grantors, whose property may be used temporarily for project purposes, or who own homes within distances defined in the Commission's regulations of certain aboveground facilities.

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 (<http://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 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 <http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm>.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM05-1-000]

Regulations Governing the Conduct of Open Seasons for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Projects; Supplemental Notice of Technical Conference and Agenda

November 29, 2004.

Take notice that as previously announced on October 26, 2004, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission will host a technical conference in this proceeding on December 3, 2004 in Anchorage, Alaska. The Commission has initiated a rulemaking to establish regulations governing the conduct of open seasons for capacity on any Alaska natural gas transportation projects. These regulations are required by section 103(e) of the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline Act of 2004, enacted into law on October 13, 2004.

The Commission's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) was issued in the above referenced Docket on November 15, 2004. The NOPR contains a preamble explaining the background of the proposed rule, several specific questions about issues related to the proposed rule, and specific proposed regulatory text. Written comments on the NOPR are required to be submitted by December 17, 2004. The Commission

must issue regulations within 120 days of enactment of the Act, that is, by February 10, 2005. The Commission is now providing its agenda for the technical conference. All interested parties and the public are invited to attend.

Conference Information

Date: December 3, 2004.

Time: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Alaska time (2 p.m. to 8 p.m. eastern standard time).

Location: Municipality of Anchorage, Loussac Library, Assembly Chambers, 3600 Denali Street, Anchorage, Alaska 99503.

Summary of Proposed Regulations

The full text of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking is available through the Commission's eLibrary under Docket No. RM05-1. The proposed regulations first set forth the purpose and applicability of the proposed rules and certain definitions. That purpose is to prescribe rules for the conduct of any open season on any Alaska natural gas transportation project. Any applicant for a proposed Alaska natural gas transportation project must include a showing in its application to construct a project that it has conducted an open season for capacity allocation that fully complies with the requirements of the rules.

The proposed rule requires that a public notice of an open season be issued by the project sponsor at least 30 days prior to the commencement of the open season through methods including postings on Internet Web sites, press releases, direct mail solicitations, and other advertising. Next, the proposed rule lists the information about a proposed project that any notice of open season for an Alaska natural gas transportation project must contain. The proposed rule states that an open season for an Alaska natural gas transportation project must remain open for a period of at least 90 days. Finally, the proposed rule requires that capacity allocated as a result of any open season shall be awarded without undue discrimination or preference of any kind.

Technical Conference Agenda

The Agenda for the technical conference is attached. In order to more efficiently use the limited time available, there will only be oral presentations at this conference; no power point presentations or use of other visual aids are being considered. Speakers should limit their prepared remarks to 10 minutes or less and be prepared to discuss the issues listed below with the Commission and their fellow panelists.

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

The Commission will first receive comments from a panel of Alaska Elected Officials. Then the Commission Staff will present a short summary of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. Next the Commission will hear comments from panels representing Potential Project Sponsors, Potential Project Shippers, and Other Agencies or Affected Enterprises. Lastly, the Technical Conference will close with an Open Forum featuring responses or questions based on previous panels and any additional points of view.

The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking includes five questions which the Commission expects will be addressed in detail in each interested party's written comments submitted by December 17th. However, as a guide to the discussions at the technical conference, panelists should be prepared to discuss the following general topics regarding the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking:

- Explain how the proposed rule meets or does not meet the requirements of the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline Act.
- When should FERC oversight of capacity allocation activities of potential project sponsors begin? What capacity allocation activities happen before an open season under the rule is undertaken?

- Are there certain capacity allocation issues/factors that are specific to the type of project sponsor, whether producer owned or independent pipeline owned; in-state shipper/user or lower-48 market shipper; producer/marketers or end-users; down-stream transporter, upstream gathering/processing, local utility regulators?

- Should potential project sponsors be required to conduct and release results of Alaska market need studies before capacity is allocated? Should potential project sponsors be required to conduct and release results of Alaska infrastructure studies before capacity is allocated?

Further Information

Transcripts of the conference will be immediately available from Ace Reporting Company (202-347-3700 or 1-800-336-6646) for a fee. They will be available for the public on the Commission's eLibrary system seven calendar days after FERC receives the transcript. For information about this proceeding, interested persons may go to the Commission's Web site, <http://www.ferc.gov>, and search under the docket number for this proceeding, Docket No. RM05-1. Materials for the conference will also be posted on the Commission's monthly calendar page for this event. Also, materials already

provided to the Commission Staff by certain interested parties have already been placed in the record of this proceeding and are available electronically through the Commission's eLibrary under Docket No. RM05-1.

Additionally, Capitol Connection offers the opportunity for remote listening of the conference via the Internet or a Phone Bridge Connection for a fee. Interested persons should make arrangements as soon as possible by visiting the Capitol Connection Web site at <http://www.capitolconnection.gmu.edu> and clicking on "FERC." If you have any questions contact David Reininger or Julia Morelli at the Capitol Connection (703-993-3100).

Any questions or comments about this technical conference may be directed to: Edwin Holden, 202-502-8089, Edwin.Holden@ferc.gov or Richard Foley, 202-502-8955, Richard.Foley@ferc.gov.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

Technical Conference on Regulations Governing the Conduct of Open Seasons for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Projects

Agenda

10 a.m. Opening Remarks—Pat Wood, III, Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC);
Nora Mead Brownell, Commissioner, FERC;

Joseph T. Kelliher, Commissioner, FERC;
Suedeene G. Kelly, Commissioner, FERC.

10:15 a.m. Panel I—Alaska Elected Officials.
Introductions: Pat Wood, III, Chairman, FERC.

- Alaska Governor Frank H. Murkowski.
- Alaska Senator Lisa Murkowski.
- Alaska State Senate President Gene Therriault.
- Alaska State Representative Ralph Samuels.

11:30 a.m. Overview of the Proposed Rule for Regulations Governing the Conduct of Open Seasons for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Projects Introduction: Robert Cupina, Deputy Director, Office of Energy Projects, FERC.

Edwin Holden, Staff Counsel, FERC.

11:50 a.m. Panel 2—Comments on Proposed Rules by Potential Project Sponsors; Moderator, Robert Cupina.

Panelists:

- Tony Palmer, Vice President, TransCanada PipeLines Ltd.;
- Richard Guerrant, Vice President, ExxonMobil Gas;
- Ken Konrad, Senior Vice President, BP Exploration Alaska Inc.;
- Joe Marushack, Vice President, ANS Gas Development, ConocoPhillips Alaska;
- Ron Brintnell, Director of Business Development, Enbridge Energy Company, Inc.;
- Tom Irwin, Commissioner, Alaska Dept. of Natural Resources.

1:15 p.m. Panel 3—Comments on Proposed Rules by Potential Project Shippers; Moderator, Robert Cupina.

Panelists:

- Dave Anderson, Vice President International, Anadarko Petroleum Corporation and Mark Hanley, Manager Public Affairs/Alaska, Anadarko Petroleum Corporation;
- Tony Izzo, President, Enstar Natural Gas Company;
- Rick Mott, Vice President, Exploration and Land, ConocoPhillips Alaska;
- Bill Corbus, Commissioner, Alaska Department of Revenue.

2:15 p.m. Panel 4—Comments on Proposed Rules by Other Agencies, Affected Enterprises or General Public; Moderator, Robert Cupina.

Panelists:

- Harold Heinze, Chief Executive, Alaska Natural Gas Development Authority (ANGDA);
- Jeff Walker, Regional Supervisor Field Operations, Department of the Interior Minerals Management Service;
- Colleen McCarthy, Deputy State Director, Energy, Bureau of Land Management;
- David Houseknecht, Research Geologist, U.S. Geological Survey (traditional reserves);
- Timothy Collett, Geologist, U.S. Geological Survey (hydrate resources).

3:15 p.m. Open Forum—Moderator: Robert Cupina.

- Responses/questions to previous discussions.
- Additional points of view.

4 p.m. Closing Remarks/Adjourn; Commissioners/Robert Cupina.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: There will be a 2-day meeting of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act Scientific Advisory Panel (FIFRA SAP) to consider and review human health issues associated with the Cry34Ab1 protein.

DATES: The meeting will be held on March 1-2, 2005, from 8:30 a.m. to approximately 5 p.m., eastern time.

Comments: For the deadlines for the submission of requests to present oral comments and the submission of written comments, see Unit I.E. of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

Nominations: Nominations of scientific experts to serve as ad hoc