

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP01-409-000]

Calypso U.S. Pipeline, L.L.C.; Notice Of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Modifications to the Calypso Pipeline Project

December 12, 2006.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) and the Mineral Management Service (MMS) have prepared this Environmental Assessment (EA) to discuss the environmental impacts of the Modifications to the Calypso Pipeline Project proposed by Calypso U.S. Pipeline L.L.C. (Calypso) in the above referenced docket. The proposed project is located in Broward County, Florida; State Waters of Florida; and Federal Waters of the United States.

This EA has been prepared to comply with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Council of Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations for implementing NEPA (Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations [CFR], sections 1500-1508), and the Commission's regulations (18 CFR part 380). The staff concludes that approval of this proposal would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. The EA also evaluates alternatives to the proposal, including system alternatives; major route alternatives; and route variations.

The FERC prepared this EA to address the potential environmental impacts of the proposed modifications. The original project was addressed by the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Tractebel Calypso Pipeline Project (FEIS) issued on January 23, 2004. The modified project would use the same methodologies for deepwater construction and onshore construction. However, the landfall portion of the pipeline would be installed in a 3.2-mile-long tunnel. The tunnel proposal eliminates the need for two HDD segments, and 2,132 feet of open cut trench in shallow marine waters, in addition to avoiding all impacts to John U. Lloyd State Park. The tunnel amendment would also incorporate minor route changes to accommodate the methodology. These minor route changes would result in a slight decrease in the length of the landfall portion and thus the overall project length.

Approximately 95 percent of the original project analyzed in the FEIS is relatively unchanged, with the exception of the 6-inch increase in pipeline diameter. The tunnel amendment would increase the pipeline diameter for the modified project from 24 inches to 30 inches and internally coat the pipeline to allow increased flow rates. Calypso does not propose to increase the certificated capacity (832,000 dekatherms/day). The maximum operating pressure (MOAP) would remain 2,200 pounds per square inch (psig). Calypso indicates that the pipeline would most likely be operated at approximately 1530 psig.

The EA has been placed in the public files of the FERC and is available for public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference Room, 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-8371.

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 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.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Proposed Consent Decree, Clean Air Act Citizen Suit

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Consent Decree; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act, as amended ("Act"), 42 U.S.C. 7413(g), notice is hereby given of a proposed consent decree, to address a deadline suit filed by Sierra Club and Coosa River Basin

Initiative ("Coosa River"): *Sierra Club v. EPA*, No. 1:06CV1523 (N.D. GA). On December 20, 2005 and January 3, 2006, Sierra Club, Coosa River, and the Georgia Public Interest Research Group petitioned EPA to object to certain Clean Air Act Title V permit amendments proposed by the Georgia Environmental Protection Division for steam generating plants at Georgia Power's (1) Bowen and Branch Steam-Electric Generating Plants, and (2) Hammond and Scherer Steam-Electric Generating Plants, all of which are in the State of Georgia. Subsequently, Sierra Club and Coosa River filed suit, alleging that the Administrator failed to perform his nondiscretionary duty to respond to the petitions within sixty days of the date they were filed. Under the terms of today's proposed consent decree, EPA has agreed to respond to the petitions by January 8, 2007, and Sierra Club and Coosa River have agreed that if EPA does so, and after parties negotiate attorneys' fees, they will move to dismiss their suit with prejudice.

DATES: Written comments on the proposed consent decree must be received by January 18, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID number EPA-HQ-OGC-2006-0972, online at www.regulations.gov (EPA's preferred method); by e-mail to oei.docket@epa.gov; mailed to EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mailcode: 2822T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; or by hand delivery or courier to EPA Docket Center, EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. Comments on a disk or CD-ROM should be formatted in Word or ASCII file, avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption, and may be mailed to the mailing address above.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Additional Information about the Proposed Consent Decree**

This proposed consent decree would resolve a deadline suit to require EPA to respond to two administrative petitions that EPA object to certain Title V permit