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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**SUMMARY:** The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 11, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Education Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, Washington, DC 20503. Commenters are encouraged to submit responses electronically by e-mail to [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov) or via fax to (202) 395-6974. Commenters should include the following subject line in their response "Comment: [insert OMB number], [insert abbreviated collection name, e.g., 'Upward Bound Evaluation']". Persons submitting comments electronically should not submit paper copies.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested,

e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: July 7, 2008.

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*IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.*

### Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Impact Aid Program Application for Section 8003 Assistance.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:*

*Responses:* 504,306.

*Burden Hours:* 143,346.

*Abstract:* The U.S. Department of Education is requesting approval for the Application for Assistance under Section 8003 of Title VIII of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) as amended by No Child Left Behind (NCLB). This application is otherwise known as Impact Aid Basic Support Payments. Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) whose enrollments are adversely affected by Federal activities use this form to request financial assistance. Regulations for the Impact Aid Program are found at 34 CFR 222. The statute and regulations for this program require a variety of data from applicants annually to determine eligibility for the grants and the amount of grant payment under the statutory formula. The least burdensome method of collecting this required information is for each applicant to submit these data through a web-based electronic application hosted on the Department of Education's e-Grants Web site. This application was previously approved under OMB 1810-0036, along with a separate application for Section 8002, payments for Federal property, another distinct formula that requires different data from applicant LEAs. To facilitate more efficient clearance processes for both applications this year and in future years, the Department is separating these two applications into two paperwork approval packages. The Section 8002 application will be submitted under the OMB 1810-0036 number that both applications previously have been cleared under. There are no substantive changes to this application. The Department of

Education is requesting renewal of its three-year clearance under a new collection number.

Requests for copies of the information collection submission for OMB review may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 3656. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP08-256-000]

#### Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed J-2 Loop Project, Request for Comments on Environmental Issues, and Notice of Site Visit

July 3, 2008.

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 J-2 Loop Project, involving construction and operation of natural gas facilities by Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC (Algonquin) in Middlesex County, Massachusetts. The EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping period that will be used to gather environmental input from the public and interested agencies on the project. Your input will help the Commission staff determine which issues need to be evaluated in the EA. Please note that the scoping period will

close on August 2, 2008. Details on how to submit comments are provided in the Public Participation section of this notice.

If you are a landowner receiving this notice, you may be contacted by an Algonquin representative about the acquisition of an easement to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed project 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, Algonquin could initiate condemnation proceedings in accordance with Massachusetts State law.

A fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled "An Interstate Natural Gas Facility on My Land? What Do I Need to Know?" 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>).

With this notice, we<sup>1</sup> are asking other Federal, State, and local agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the EA. Agencies that would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing comments provided below.

### Summary of the Proposed Project

Algonquin seeks authorization to construct about 2.3 miles of 14-inch-diameter pipeline and associated facilities within the cities of Medford and Somerville, Massachusetts. The project would commence at an existing meter station adjacent to the Mystic Valley Parkway in Medford and travel in a general southeast direction within road rights-of-way to its terminus at an interconnection with NSTAR Gas Company's (NSTAR) system adjacent to the McGrath Highway/railroad track overpass in Somerville. A meter station and pig<sup>2</sup> launcher facility would be constructed in Medford, at the existing meter station and a valve and pig receiver would be constructed at the interconnect with NSTAR.

<sup>1</sup> "We," "us," and "our" refer to the environmental staff of the FERC's Office of Energy Projects.

<sup>2</sup> A pipeline "pig" is a device designed to internally clean or inspect the pipeline. A pig launcher/receiver is an aboveground facility where pigs are inserted or retrieved from the pipeline.

Appendix A presents a detailed map identifying all facilities associated with this project.<sup>3</sup>

### Land Requirements for Construction

Algonquin would temporarily disturb about 36.8 acres to construct the new pipeline and about 0.6 acres for aboveground facilities. During operation of the project, Algonquin would affect about 0.33 acres for pipeline maintenance and about 0.04 acres for aboveground facilities.

The majority of the J-2 Loop Project would be constructed within existing roadways, roadside shoulders, and paved parking areas.

### The EA Process

We are preparing this EA to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) which requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impacts that could result from an action whenever it considers the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. NEPA also requires us 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, we are requesting public comments on the scope of the issues to be addressed in the EA. All comments received will be considered during the preparation of the EA.

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

- Geology and Soils
- Cultural Resources
- Land Use and Visual Quality
- Air Quality and Noise
- Alternatives
- Reliability and Safety

We note that the proposed pipeline would be within high-density multi-family residential areas and would require special construction procedures.

Our independent analysis of the issues will be addressed in the EA. Depending on the comments received during the scoping process, the EA may be published for distribution and mailed

<sup>3</sup> The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the **Federal Register**. Copies are available on the Commission's Internet Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) at the "eLibrary" link or from the Commission's Public Reference Room at (202) 502-8371. For instructions on connecting to eLibrary, refer to the "Additional Information" section at the end of this notice. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail. Requests for detailed maps of the proposed facilities should be made directly to Dominion.

to federal, state, and local agencies; public interest groups; interested individuals; affected landowners; newspapers and libraries in the project area; 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.

### 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. Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal, reasonable alternatives (including alternative locations and routes), 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: Kimberly D. Bose, 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;
- Reference Docket No. CP08-256-000;
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before August 2, 2008.

The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments. See 18 Code of Federal Regulations 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Internet Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the link to "Documents and Filings" and "eFiling." eFiling is a file attachment process and requires that you prepare your submission in the same manner as you would if filing on paper, and save it to a file on your hard drive. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on "Sign up" or "eRegister." You will be asked to select the type of filing you are making. This filing is considered a "Comment on Filing." In addition, there is a "Quick Comment" option available, which is an easy method for interested persons to submit text only comments on a project. The *Quick-Comment User Guide* can be viewed at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/quick-comment-guide.pdf>. Quick Comment does not require a FERC eRegistration account; however, you will be asked to provide a valid

e-mail address. All comments submitted under either eFiling or the Quick Comment option are placed in the public record for the specified docket or project number(s).

#### 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 B).<sup>4</sup> 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.

#### Site Visit

On July 15, 2008, the Office of Energy Projects' (OEP) staff will conduct a pre-certification site visit of the proposed J-2 Loop Project. Representatives of Algonquin and Massachusetts Energy Facilities Siting Board will accompany the OEP staff. We will tour the proposed project area by automobile and on foot viewing Algonquin's proposed pipeline route, route variations, and aboveground facilities that are being considered for the proposed project.

All interested parties may attend the site visit. Those planning to attend must provide their own transportation. If you are interested in attending the site visit, please meet us at 4:00 p.m. in the parking lot of the Somerville High School, 81 Highland Avenue, Somerville, MA.

For additional information, please contact the Commission's Office of

External Affairs at 1-866-208-FERC (3372).

#### 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. We encourage government representatives to notify their constituents of this proposed project and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern. If you do not return the form included as Appendix C, you will be removed from the Commission's environmental mailing list.

#### Additional Information

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at 1-866-208-FERC (3372) or on the FERC Internet Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>). Using the "eLibrary" link, select "General Search" from the eLibrary menu, enter the selected date range and "Docket Number" excluding the last three digits (*i.e.*, CP08-256), and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to eLibrary, the helpline can be reached at 1-866-208-3676, TTY (202) 502-8659, or at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto: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 rule makings.

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>.

Finally, any 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.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. ER07-1289-002; ER07-1289-003; ER07-1289-004; ER07-1289-005; Docket No. EL08-56-000 (consolidated)]

#### ISO New England Inc.; New Brunswick Power Transmission Corporation, New Brunswick System Operator, and Northern Maine Independent System Administrator v. ISO New England Inc.; Notice of Institution of Proceeding and Refund Effective Date

July 3, 2008.

On July 2, 2008, the Commission issued an order that instituted a proceeding in the above-referenced proceeding, pursuant to section 206 of the Federal Power Act (FPA) 16 U.S.C. 824e, concerning issues stemming from the Maine Electric Power Company Roll-in Proposal (the MEPCO Roll-in Proposal) in *ISO New England Inc.*, 124 FERC ¶ 61,013 (2008).

The refund effective date in the above-docketed proceeding, established pursuant to section 206(b) of the FPA, will be the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No.: 12548-002]

#### Hydrodynamics, Inc.; Notice of Paper Scoping and Soliciting Scoping Comments and ERRATA to Tendering Notice

July 3, 2008.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Minor unconstructed project.

b. *Project No.:* 12548-002.

c. *Date filed:* April 1, 2008.

d. *Applicant:* Hydrodynamics, Inc.

e. *Name of Project:* Greenfield.

f. *Location:* On the Greenfields Main Canal, part of the Bureau of Reclamation's Sun River Irrigation Project, in Teton County, Montana, near Fairfield, Montana.

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

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