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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This  
emergency information collection  
request contains: (1) New; (2)  
Information Collection Request Title:  
Department of Energy (DOE); (3) Type of  
Review: Emergency; (4) Purpose: To  
collect data on the status of activities,  
project progress, jobs created and  
retained, spend rates and performance  
metrics under the American Recovery  
and Reinvestment Act of 2009. This will  
ensure adequate information is available  
to support sound project management  
and to meet the transparency and  
accountability associated with the  
Recovery Act by requesting approval for  
monthly reporting; (5) Annual  
Estimated Number of Respondents:  
3,700; (6) Annual Estimated Number of  
Total Responses: 14,800; (7) Annual  
Estimated Number of Burden Hours:  
Approximately 93,240; (8) Annual  
Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping  
Cost Burden: \$13,986,000.

**Statutory Authority:** Title IV of the  
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of  
2009, Pub. L. 11-5.

Issued in Washington, DC, on March 19,  
2010.

**Jay Hoffman,**

*Director, Office of Program Analysis &  
Evaluation, Office of CFO.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory  
Commission**

**Combined Notice of Filings #1**

March 18, 2010.

Take notice that the Commission  
received the following electric rate  
filings:

*Docket Numbers:* ER96-1551-022;  
ER09-746-003; ER01-615-018.

*Applicants:* Public Service Company  
of New Mexico; Optim Energy  
Marketing, LLC.

*Description:* Public Service Company  
of New Mexico *et al.* submits  
Supplement to Triennial Market Power  
Update.

*Filed Date:* 03/08/2010.

*Accession Number:* 20100315-0088.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
on Monday, March 29, 2010.

*Docket Numbers:* ER06-733-007.

*Applicants:* Midland Cogeneration  
Venture Limited Partnership.

*Description:* Notice of Non-Material  
Change in Status of Midland  
Cogeneration Venture Limited  
Partnership.

*Filed Date:* 03/15/2010.

*Accession Number:* 20100315-5240.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
on Monday, April 5, 2010.

*Docket Numbers:* ER10-520-001.

*Applicants:* PJM Interconnection,  
L.L.C.

*Description:* PJM Interconnection,  
LLC submits Wholesale Market  
Participation Agreement designated as  
Second Revised Service Agreement No.  
1688, effective 2/28/2010 with WM  
Renewable Energy LLC *et al.*

*Filed Date:* 03/17/2010.

*Accession Number:* 20100318-0204.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
on Wednesday, April 7, 2010.

*Docket Numbers:* ER10-730-000.

*Applicants:* Wheelabrator Portsmouth  
Inc.

*Description:* Supplemental  
Information of Wheelabrator Portsmouth  
Inc.

*Filed Date:* 03/09/2010.

*Accession Number:* 20100309-5082.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
on Tuesday, March 30, 2010.

*Docket Numbers:* ER10-854-001.

*Applicants:* CornerStone Power  
Development, LLC.

*Description:* CornerStone Power  
Development, LLC submits updates to  
the market based rate application filed  
3/12/2010.

*Filed Date:* 03/16/2010.

*Accession Number:* 20100317-0208.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
on Friday, March 26, 2010.

*Docket Numbers:* ER10-900-000.

*Applicants:* Black Hills Power, Inc.  
*Description:* Black Hills Power Inc  
submits notice of cancellation of its Rate  
Schedule FERC No. 48.

*Filed Date:* 03/17/2010.

*Accession Number:* 20100318-0203.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
on Wednesday, April 7, 2010.

*Docket Numbers:* ER10-901-000.

*Applicants:* PJM Interconnection,  
L.L.C.

*Description:* PJM Interconnection,  
LLC submits executed Wholesale  
Market Participation Agreement with  
Dauphin County Industrial  
Development Authority and PPL  
Electric Utilities Corporation.

*Filed Date:* 03/17/2010.

*Accession Number:* 20100318-0202.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
on Wednesday, April 7, 2010.

*Docket Numbers:* ER10-902-000.

*Applicants:* ISO New England Inc. &  
New England Power Pool.

*Description:* ISO New England Inc *et  
al.* submit revised tariff sheets  
implementing changes to Market Rule 1.  
*Filed Date:* 03/17/2010.

*Accession Number:* 20100318-0201.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
on Wednesday, April 7, 2010.

*Docket Numbers:* ER10-905-000.

*Applicants:* California Power  
Exchange Corporation.

*Description:* Petition to Extend  
Existing Wind-Up Charge Settlement of  
California Power Exchange Corporation.  
*Filed Date:* 03/18/2010.

*Accession Number:* 20100318-5034.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
on Thursday, April 8, 2010.

Take notice that the Commission  
received the following electric  
reliability filings:

*Docket Numbers:* RR10-8-000.

*Applicants:* North American Electric  
Reliability Corporation.

*Description:* Errata to the North  
American Electric Reliability  
Corporation 3/15/10 filing, to Correct  
Attachment 1 of NERC's March 15, 2010  
Petition for Approval of Amendments to  
the NERC Rules of Procedure Regarding  
the CCC Program.

*Filed Date:* 03/16/2010.

*Accession Number:* 20100316-5079.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
on Tuesday, April 6, 2010.

Any person desiring to intervene or to  
protest in any of the above proceedings  
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) on or before 5 p.m. Eastern  
time on the specified comment date. It  
is not necessary to separately intervene  
again in a subdocket related to a  
compliance filing if you have previously  
intervened in the same docket. 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.  
Anyone filing a motion to intervene or  
protest must serve a copy of that  
document on the Applicant. In reference  
to filings initiating a new proceeding,  
interventions or protests submitted on  
or before the comment deadline need

not be served on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://www.ferc.gov>. To facilitate electronic service, persons with Internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St. NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The filings in the above proceedings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also 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 e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**  
*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP10-50-000]

#### **Petal Gas Storage, L.L.C.; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Cavern 12A Conversion Gas Storage Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues**

March 19, 2010.

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 Cavern 12A Conversion Gas Storage Project involving construction and operation of facilities proposed by Petal Gas Storage, L.L.C. (Petal) in Forrest County, Mississippi. This 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 process we will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies on the project. Your input will help the Commission staff determine what issues need to be evaluated in the EA. Please note that the scoping period will close on April 23, 2010.

This notice is being sent to the Commission's current environmental mailing list for this project. State and local government representatives are asked to notify their constituents of this proposed project and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

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 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 that Petal 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 also available for viewing on the FERC Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>).

#### **Summary of the Proposed Project**

Petal proposes to purchase an existing salt-brine storage cavern (12A) from an affiliate, and convert it into a natural gas storage cavern. The proposed facilities would mostly be within Petal's existing storage field on the Petal Salt Dome. The project would increase Petal's firm natural gas storage capacity to meet anticipated growing demand for storage services in the Southeastern United States. Petal would rework the existing well and expand the underground storage capacity of Cavern 12A through solution mining. Cavern 12A would have an overall capacity of about 8.2 billion cubic feet (Bcf), consisting of 5.0 Bcf of working gas and 3.2 Bcf of cushion gas.

The proposed facilities include:

- Existing Cavern 12A to be converted from brine storage to natural gas storage;
- New 16-inch-diameter pipeline, about 1,525-feet-long, connecting Cavern 12A with Petal's existing withdrawal header between existing Caverns 6 and 7; and
- New appurtenant facilities grouped near existing Petal Compressor Station 2, including a withdrawal separator, heat exchanger, hot oil pump, pressure regulator, and Triethylene Glycol contactor and regeneration skid.

The general location of the proposed facilities is shown in Appendix 1.<sup>1</sup>

#### **Land Requirements for Construction**

Petal estimated that about 39 acres of land would be disturbed by construction of the proposed facilities. About 5.8 acres would be retained for Petal's permanent operational easement, following construction. The remaining temporary construction acreage would be restored to its former condition and uses.

#### **The EA Process**

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) 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<sup>2</sup> 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, the Commission requests 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.

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

- Geology and soils;
- Water resources and wetlands;
- Vegetation and wildlife;
- Cultural resources;
- Land use;
- Air quality and noise; and
- Safety and reliability.

<sup>1</sup> The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the *Federal Register*. Copies of appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail and are available at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the link called "eLibrary" 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 the last page of this notice.

<sup>2</sup> "We," "us," and "our" refer to the environmental staff of the Commission's Office of Energy Projects.