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Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP13-4-000]

Gulf South Pipeline Company, L.P.; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

Take notice that on October 11, 2012, Gulf South Pipeline Company, L.P. (Gulf South), 9 Greenway Plaza, Suite 2800, Houston, Texas 77046, pursuant to the blanket certificate issued to Gulf South’s predecessor in Docket No. CP82-430-000,¹ filed an application in accordance to sections 157.205(b), 157.208(c), and 157(213) of the Commission’s Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) as amended, to construct, own, operate, and maintain a horizontal injection and withdrawal well at Gulf South’s Bistineau Storage Facility located in Bienville Parish, Louisiana, all as more fully set forth in the application, which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the “eLibrary” link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (886) 208-3676 or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

The Bistineau Storage Facility is a converted gas producing reservoir and many of the original producing wells were converted to storage service by Gulf South in the late 1960’s. Some of the existing well bores are over 50 years old and have begun to deteriorate either mechanically or operationally. Gulf South proposed to construct a new horizontal well to replace one or more

of the existing vertical wells, which will be Gulf South D-21H drilled near the end of the D-lateral in Bienville Parish, Louisiana. Gulf South also proposes to construct approximately 0.06 miles of associated 8-inch lateral and appurtenant facilities. The proposed facilities will be used as an injection and withdrawal well. The project will not alter the Bistineau Storage Facility’s total inventory, working gas/cushion gas ratio, reservoir pressure, reservoir or buffer boundaries, or certificated capacities, including injection and withdrawal capacity. The estimated cost of the proposed project is \$3,500,000.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to J. Kyle Stephens, Gulf South Pipeline Company, L.P., 9 Greenway Plaza, Suite 2800, Houston, Texas 77046, (713) 479-8033, or email at kyle.stephens@bwpmlp.com.

This filing is available for review at the Commission or may be viewed on the Commission’s web site at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the “eLibrary” link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free at (866) 206-3676, or, for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. 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 under the “e-Filing” link. The Commission strongly encourages intervenors to file electronically.

Any person or the Commission’s staff may, within 60 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission’s Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205), a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the NGA.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Commission Staff Attendance

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission hereby gives notice that members of the Commission’s staff may attend the following meetings related to the interregional transmission planning activities of the Southwest Power Pool (SPP):

SPP Seams FERC Order 1000 Task Force Meeting—November 2, 2012.

The above-referenced meeting will be a teleconference.

The above-referenced meeting is open to the public.

Further information may be found at www.spp.org.

The discussions at the meeting described above may address matters at issue in the following proceedings:

- Docket No. ER09-35-001, *Tallgrass Transmission, LLC*
- Docket No. ER09-36-001, *Prairie Wind Transmission, LLC*
- Docket No. ER09-548-001, *ITC Great Plains, LLC*
- Docket No. ER09-659-002, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*
- Docket No. ER11-4105-000, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*
- Docket No. EL11-34-001, *Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.*
- Docket No. ER12-1401-000, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*
- Docket No. ER12-1402-000, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*
- Docket No. ER12-1415-000, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*
- Docket No. ER12-1460-000, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*
- Docket No. ER12-1586-000 et al., *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*
- Docket No. ER12-1610-000, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*
- Docket No. ER12-1772-000, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*
- Docket No. ER12-2366-000, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*
- Docket No. EL12-2-000, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*
- Docket No. EL12-60-000, *Southwest Power Pool, Inc., et al.*
- Docket No. ER12-2387-000 et al., *Southwest Power Pool, Inc.*

For more information, contact Luciano Lima, Office of Energy Markets Regulation, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission at (202) 288-6738 or Luciano.Lima@ferc.gov.

¹ *United Gas Pipe Line, Co.*, 20 FERC ¶ 62,416 (1982).

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Western Area Power Administration

Boulder Canyon Project—Post-2017 Resource Pool

AGENCY: Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of proposed marketing criteria.

SUMMARY: The Western Area Power Administration (Western), a Federal power marketing agency of the Department of Energy (DOE), is seeking comments on proposed marketing criteria for allocating the Federal power from the Boulder Canyon Project (BCP). The Conformed Power Marketing Criteria or Regulations for the Boulder Canyon Project (2012 Conformed Criteria) published in the **Federal Register** on June 14, 2012, as required by the Hoover Power Allocation Act of 2011, established a resource pool (Post-2017 Resource Pool) to be allocated to new allottees and general eligibility criteria. Western is proposing for comment additional marketing criteria to be used to allocate the Post-2017 Resource Pool that will become available October 1, 2017. Once determined, these marketing criteria, in conjunction with the 2012 Conformed Criteria, will establish the framework for allocating power from the Post-2017 Resource Pool. This **Federal Register** notice (FRN) is not a call for applications. A call for applications from those interested in an allocation of BCP power will occur in a future notice.

DATES: Entities interested in commenting on proposed marketing criteria must submit written comments to Western's Desert Southwest Customer Service Regional Office at the address below. Western will accept written comments received on or before January 11, 2013. Western reserves the right to not consider any comments received after this date.

Western will hold three public information forums on the proposed marketing criteria. The dates for the public information forums are:

1. November 27, 2012, 1 p.m., PST, Las Vegas, Nevada.
2. November 28, 2012, 1 p.m., MST, Phoenix, Arizona.
3. November 29, 2012, 10 a.m., PST, Ontario, California.

Following the public information forums, Western will hold three public comment forums. The dates for the public comment forums are:

1. December 18, 2012, 1 p.m., PST, Las Vegas, Nevada.
2. December 19, 2012, 10 a.m., PST, Ontario, California.
3. December 20, 2012, 10 a.m., MST, Phoenix, Arizona.

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding these proposed marketing criteria should be sent to: Mr. Darrick Moe, Desert Southwest Regional Manager, Western Area Power Administration, P.O. Box 6457, Phoenix, AZ 85005-6457. Comments may also be faxed to (602) 605-2490 or emailed to Post2017BCP@wapa.gov.

The public information and public comment forums will be held at: The New Las Vegas Tropicana, 3801 Las Vegas Boulevard South, Las Vegas, Nevada; Fiesta Resort Conference Center, 2100 S. Priest Drive, Tempe, Arizona; DoubleTree Ontario Airport, 222 N. Vineyard, Ontario, California.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Mike Simonton, Public Utilities Specialist, Desert Southwest Region, Western Area Power Administration, P.O. Box 6457, Phoenix, AZ 85005-6457, telephone number (602) 605-2675, email Post2017BCP@wapa.gov. All comments received in response to this FRN will be posted to Western's Web site at <http://www.wapa.gov/dsw/pwrnkt>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BCP was authorized by the Boulder Canyon Project Act of 1928 (Act) (43 U.S.C. 617). Under Section 5 of the Act, the Secretary of the Interior marketed the capacity and energy from the BCP under electric service contracts effective through May 31, 1987. In 1977 the power marketing functions of the Secretary of Interior were transferred to Western by Section 302 of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7152). Thereafter, on December 28, 1984, Western published the Conformed General Consolidated Criteria or Regulations for Boulder City Area Projects (1984 Conformed Criteria) (49 FR 50582) to implement applicable provisions of the Hoover Power Plant Act of 1984 (43 U.S.C. 619) for the marketing of BCP power through September 30, 2017.

On December 20, 2011, Congress enacted the Hoover Power Allocation Act of 2011 (Pub. L. 112-72) (HPAA), which provides direction and guidance in marketing BCP power after the existing contracts expire September 30, 2017. On June 14, 2012, Western published the 2012 Conformed Criteria

(77 FR 35671) to implement applicable provisions of the HPAA for the marketing of BCP power from October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2067. The 2012 Conformed Criteria formally established a resource pool defined as "Schedule D" to be allocated to new allottees. In accordance with the HPAA, Western allocated portions of Schedule D to the Arizona Power Authority (APA) and the Colorado River Commission of Nevada (CRC), respectively, as described in the June 14, 2012, FRN. Of the remaining portions of Schedule D, Western is to allocate 11,510 kilowatts (kW) of contingent capacity and associated firm energy to new allottees within the State of California, and 69,170 kW of contingent capacity and associated firm energy to new allottees within the Boulder City Area marketing area.

Proposed Post-2017 Resource Pool Marketing Criteria

Western proposes to apply the following general marketing criteria to applicants seeking an allocation of power from the Post-2017 Resource Pool. This includes all prescribed portions of Schedule D power to be allocated by Western as described above.

A. Allocations of power will be made in amounts determined solely by Western in exercise of its discretion under Reclamation Law, including the HPAA.

B. An allottee may purchase power only upon the execution of an electric service contract and satisfaction of all conditions stated within that contract.

C. Eligible applicants, except Native American tribes, must be ready, willing, and able to receive and distribute or use power from Western. Ready, willing, and able means the eligible applicant has the facilities needed for the receipt of power or has made the necessary arrangements for transmission and/or distribution service, and its power supply contracts with third parties permit the delivery of Western's power. Eligible applicants must have the necessary arrangements for transmission and/or distribution service in place by October 1, 2016.

D. An eligible Native American applicant must be an Indian tribe as defined in the Indian Self Determination Act of 1975, 25 U.S.C. 450b, as amended.

E. In determining allocations, Western will give priority consideration in the following order to entities satisfying these marketing criteria:

1. Federally recognized Native American tribes.