

interconnection study would be required to determine the exact transmission that would be used. The proposed project would have a total installed capacity of 20 megawatts and generate an estimated average annual energy production of 145 gigawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Mr. Paul Grist, Archon Energy 1, Inc., 101 E. Kennedy Blvd., Suite 2800, Tampa, Florida 33602, phone: (403) 618-2018.

FERC Contact: Corey Vezina; phone: (202) 502-8598, email: Corey.vezina@ferc.gov.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and five copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-14481) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: April 8, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP13-112-000]

El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

Take notice that on March 26, 2013, El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C. (El Paso), P.O. Box 1087, Colorado Springs, CO 80944, filed in Docket No. CP13-112-000, an application pursuant to sections 157.205, 157.208 (b) and 157.210 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) as amended, to construct and operate loop line facilities on the Willcox Lateral located in Cochise County, Arizona, 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, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Francisco Tarin, Director, Regulatory Affairs Department, El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C., P.O. Box 1087, Colorado Springs, CO 80944, (719) 667-7517.

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.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenter's will be placed on the Commission's

environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenter's will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commentary, will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 5 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Dated: April 3, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. AD12-12-000]

Coordination Between Natural Gas and Electricity Markets; Supplemental Notice of Technical Conference

As announced in the Notice issued on March 5, 2013,¹ the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) staff will hold a technical conference on Thursday, April 25, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to approximately 5:00 p.m. to discuss natural gas and electric scheduling, and issues related to whether and how natural gas and electric industry schedules and practices could be harmonized in order to achieve the most efficient scheduling systems for both industries. The conference will be held at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. The agenda and list of roundtable participants for this conference are attached. This conference is free of charge and open to

¹ Coordination between Natural Gas and Electricity Markets, Docket No. AD12-12-000 (Mar. 5, 2013) (Notice of Technical Conference) (http://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/File_list.asp?document_id=14095482).

the public. Commission members may participate in the conference.

If you have not already done so, those who plan to attend the technical conference are strongly encouraged to complete the registration form located at: <https://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/nat-gas-elec-mkts-form-04-25-13.asp>. There is no deadline to register to attend the conference.

The technical conference will not be transcribed. However, there will be a free webcast of the conference. The webcast will allow persons to listen to the technical conference, but not participate. Anyone with Internet access who wants to listen to the conference can do so by navigating to the Calendar of Events at www.ferc.gov and locating the technical conference in the Calendar. The technical conference will contain a link to its webcast. The Capitol Connection provides technical support for the webcast and offers the option of listening to the meeting via phone-bridge for a fee. If you have any questions, visit www.CapitolConnection.org or call 703-993-3100.²

Notice is also hereby given that the discussions at the conference may address matters at issue in the following Commission proceeding(s) that are either pending or within their rehearing period: East Tennessee Natural Gas, L.L.C., Docket No. RP13-676-000; Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP, Docket No. RP13-294-001; ISO New England Inc. and New England Power Pool, Docket No. ER13-895-000, -001; Saltville Gas Storage Company L.L.C., Docket No. RP13-677-000; Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C., Docket No. RP12-514-000; Trailblazer Pipeline Company LLC, RP13-240-000; and Transwestern Pipeline Company, LLC, Docket No. RP13-404-001.

Information on the technical conference will be posted on the Web site <http://www.ferc.gov/industries/electric/indus-act/electric-coord.asp>, as well as the Calendar of Events on the Commission's Web site, <http://www.ferc.gov>, prior to the conference.

Commission conferences are accessible under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. For accessibility accommodations, please send an email to accessibility@ferc.gov or call toll free 1-866-208-3372 (voice) or 202-502-8659 (TTY), or send a FAX to 202-208-2106 with the required accommodations.

For more information about the technical conference, please contact:

Elizabeth Topping (Technical Information), Office of Energy Policy and Innovation, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-6731,

Elizabeth.Topping@ferc.gov.

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Sarah McKinley (Logistical Information), Office of External Affairs, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-8004, Sarah.McKinley@ferc.gov.

Dated: April 3, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.



Coordination between Natural Gas and Electricity Markets

Docket No. AD12-12-000

April 25, 2013

Agenda

9:00-9:20 a.m. Welcome and Opening Remarks

The purpose of this technical conference is to further explore concerns regarding gas-electric scheduling conflicts, consider whether adjustments to scheduling or capacity release rules or practices are needed, and identify specific areas in which additional guidance or regulatory changes could be considered. The conference will explore whether potential modifications in these areas would facilitate more efficient use of existing electric or natural gas infrastructure.

9:20-9:35 a.m. Opening Staff Presentation

Staff will make a presentation on the gas and electric days, the gas scheduling timeline and electric scheduling timelines.

9:35-12:30 p.m. Coordination of Gas and Electric Schedules

The morning roundtable will address how to best align the gas and electric schedules, including whether and on

what geographic footprint an "energy day"³ and the scheduling for that day should be pursued, and whether there is a need for interregional or regional gas or electric scheduling modifications. This roundtable session will address whether and to what extent the electric and natural gas scheduling practices need to be aligned, what scheduling practices need to be revised (gas, electric or both), and whether alignment should be national, regional, or interconnection-wide. Recognizing that the electric markets vary by region, this roundtable session will also explore how electric markets are responding to the needs of gas-fired generators.

Roundtable panelists should be prepared to discuss the following:

- What would be the consequences of implementing a single "energy day" that combines the gas and electric days and the scheduling for that day?

- If an interregional or regional approach to harmonizing gas or electric scheduling would improve efficient use of existing infrastructure, how could the different gas and electric geographic footprints be reconciled? How would this work for organized and bilateral electric markets?

- Some have proposed to integrate gas and electric scheduling on an interregional basis through a coordinated Eastern Interconnection gas and electric schedule and a coordinated Western Interconnection gas and electric schedule. What are the consequences of such a proposal?

- How could such interregional electric schedules be harmonized with the natural gas schedule?

- Would coordination of the gas nomination and electric bidding and commitment schedules on an interregional basis result in more efficient use of existing infrastructure?

- If gas or electric schedules were adjusted on a regional basis, should the adjustments be limited to day-ahead schedules, or also include changes to intraday (gas) and real-time (electric) schedules? What are the benefits and costs to each approach?

- Given technological advances, are there opportunities to reduce the time between electric offers and resource commitment? What would the benefits and costs be to implementing such a change?

- Given the increasing reliance on gas-fired generation, are there changes

³ The term "energy day" in this context refers to a simultaneous 24-hour time period when gas flow and electric generator commitments are effective. Currently, the "day" for purposes of measuring natural gas flows begins at 9:00 a.m. Central time; however, the "day" for purposes of measuring electricity flows begins at midnight local time.

² The webcast will continue to be available on the Calendar of Events on the Commission's Web site www.ferc.gov for three months after the conference.

required to the current schedules used in wholesale electric markets to commit gas-fired generation in the Day-Ahead market?

- Is there a need to sequence the timing of electric market clearing across adjacent wholesale electric markets? If so, how can the market clearing in adjacent regions be sequenced to promote efficient use of infrastructure? What are the costs and benefits of adjusting the electric market scheduling timeline across adjacent wholesale markets?

- Could electric scheduling modifications allow gas-fired generators to make or adjust gas commitments to avoid periods of gas illiquidity?

- Should electric system operators provide an opportunity for generators to adjust their offers after commitments have been posted or during the operating day to account for changes in gas or transportation costs?

12:30–1:30 p.m. Lunch

1:30–4:30 p.m. Natural Gas Pipeline Flexibility and Potential Scheduling Adjustments

The afternoon roundtable will address suggestions regarding incremental changes to gas scheduling and explore the services already provided by pipelines, marketers and capacity release markets and whether these services could be expanded to provide additional use of existing infrastructure.

Roundtable panelists should be prepared to discuss questions including:

- As some parties have suggested, should additional natural gas nomination opportunities be provided within the scheduling timeline? For example, would an additional nomination period during the night or early morning provide flexibility that would be used by shippers? What are the costs and benefits of doing so?

- Is it sufficient to permit enhanced pipeline nomination opportunities by individual pipelines given the need to coordinate such nominations with upstream and downstream parties?

- Given technological advances, are there opportunities to reduce the time between gas nominations and confirmations for intraday nominations? What would be the benefits and costs of implementing such a change?

- The current business practice standards (NAESB Standard 1.3.80) permit shippers with scheduled gas past the point of a constraint to sell or transfer that gas supply to others without the need to reschedule. How do pipelines implement this requirement? What revisions, if any, are needed to provide more flexibility? How can

marketers use this standard to help transfer gas?

- Should the no-bump rule be eliminated or the timing adjusted if additional nomination period(s) are added?

- Do changes need to be made to Commission policies to permit third parties to offer virtual storage or other balancing services? What are the advantages or disadvantages of such a change?

- What tools and services do generators use to manage procuring gas and transportation outside the common trading periods and over weekends? Could existing tools be expanded? Are any additional tools needed to manage difficulties with fuel supply arrangements outside standard trading periods?

- Pre-arranged capacity release transactions can be scheduled at every nomination opportunity on a pipeline. Are there any changes to the capacity release program that would make capacity release more efficient?

- To what extent and how do shippers use redirect options and flexible delivery point nominations? How might this be improved?

4:30–5:00 p.m. Closing

- Recap of what staff heard throughout the day
- Participant feedback
- Areas for further consideration, including issues outside of scheduling

Roundtable Participants

Morning Session

Robert Hayes, Vice President, Physical Trading and Operation, Calpine Corporation

Georgia Carter, Senior Vice President, Rates & Regulatory Affairs, Columbia Pipeline Group

Jim Ginnetti, Senior Vice President, EquiPower Resources Corp.

Lin Franks, Senior Strategist, RTO, FERC & Compliance Initiatives, Indianapolis Power & Light Company

Scott Rupff, Vice President, Marketing, Development & Commercial Operations, Iroquois Pipeline Operating Company

Peter Brandien, Vice President of System Operations, ISO-NE

Ray Miller, Vice President, Pipeline Management, Kinder Morgan

Wes Yeomans, Vice President, Operations/Kelli Joseph, Gas & Electric Analyst, NYISO

Joe Gardner, Vice President, Forward Markets & Operations Services Midwest ISO

Michael Frey, Vice President, Gas Supply & Operations, Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia

James Stanzione, Director of Federal Regulatory National Grid Policy

Donald Sipe, Attorney (On behalf of American Forest & Paper Association), PretiFlaherty

Todd Snitchler, Chairman, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

Doug Rephlo, Senior Wholesale Originator, Shell Energy North America (U.S.), L.P.

Greg Lander, President, Skipping Stone Carl Haga, Gas Services Director, Southern Company

Bruce Rew, Vice President, Operations, Southwest Power Pool

Richard Kruse, Vice President, Regulatory, Spectra Energy

Afternoon Session

Daniel Buckner, Director of Fuels Origination and Strategic Development, ACES

John Fortman, Director, Commercial Services, AGL Resources

Patrick Dinkel, Vice President, Resource Management, Arizona Public Service Company

Mark Evans, Vice President, North America Gas and Power Market, BG Energy Merchants, LLC

Kathy Kirk, Senior VP, Marketing & Origination/Adina Owen, Corporate Counsel, Boardwalk Pipeline Partners, LP

Tina Burnett, Senior Energy Analyst (On behalf of Process Gas Consumers Group), The Boeing Corporation

Kevin Holder, Senior Vice President and Chief Commercial Officer, Cardinal Gas Storage Partners

Chris Ditzel, Division Vice President, Commercial Operations, CenterPoint Energy

John Rudiak, Senior Director, Energy Supply, CT Natural Gas & So. CT Gas

Mary Nelson, Devon Energy Corporation

Brad Holmes, Vice President, Market Services, Energy Transfer

Michelle Thiry, Director Energy Management Organization, Entergy

Jim Ginnetti, Senior Vice President, EquiPower Resources Corp.

Gene Nowak, Vice President,

Transportation & Storage Services, Kinder Morgan

Rick Smead, Director (On behalf of America's Natural Gas Alliance), Navigant Consulting

Jim Dauer, Director, Natural Gas Trading, NRG Energy, Inc.

Doug Rephlo, Senior Wholesale Originator, Shell Energy North America (U.S.), L.P.

Richard Kruse, Vice President, Regulatory, Spectra Energy

Valerie Crockett, Senior Program Manager Regulatory Policy, TVA

Curt Dallinger, Director Gas Resource Planning, Xcel Energy

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-R05-OW-2009-0932; FRL-9801-8]

Proposed Agency Information Collection Request: Comment Request; Great Lakes Accountability System (Renewal)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), "Great Lakes Accountability System" (EPA ICR No. 2379.02, OMB Control No. 2005-001) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). Before doing so, EPA is soliciting public comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through July 31, 2013. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before June 11, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA-R05-OW-2009-0932 online using www.regulations.gov (our preferred method) or by mail to: Great Lakes Accountability System, Attn: Rita Cestarcic, EPA, Great Lakes National Program Office, 77 W. Jackson, Chicago, IL 60604.

EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rita Cestarcic, Great Lakes National Program Office, Environmental Protection Agency, 77 W. Jackson, Chicago, IL 60604; telephone number: (312) 886-6815; fax number: (312) 697-2014; email address: cestarcic.rita@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Supporting documents which explain in

detail the information that the EPA will be collecting are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at www.regulations.gov or in person at the EPA Great Lakes National Program Office, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604; telephone number (312) 886-6815. Materials are available for viewing from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

Pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, EPA is soliciting comments and information to enable it to: (i) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (ii) evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (iii) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (iv) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval. At that time, EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB.

Abstract: In 2010, EPA, in concert with its federal partners, began implementation of the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) that was included in the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010 (Pub. L. 111-88) and subsequent appropriations. The GLRI invests funds in programs and projects strategically chosen to target the most significant environmental problems in the Great Lakes ecosystem.

The legislation called for increased accountability for the GLRI and directed EPA to implement a process to track, measure, and report on progress. As part of this process, federal and non-federal entities receiving GLRI funds are required to submit detailed information on GLRI projects as part of their funding agreement. Recipients are required to provide information on the nature of the activity, responsible organization, organizational point of contact, resource

levels, geographic location, major milestones and progress toward GLRI goals. The information is necessary to provide an accurate depiction of activities, progress, and results. Information is updated on a quarterly basis.

A web-based Great Lakes Accountability System (GLAS) is the primary mechanism for collecting information on GLRI activities. GLAS is available for registered users to enter data at <https://login.glnpo.net>. The Web site contains a data entry interface that funding recipients use to enter and submit project information directly into GLAS. The data entry interface consists of a series of screens containing pull-down menus and text boxes, where users can enter project specific information. The GLAS provides necessary information for reports to the President, Congress and the public.

Form Numbers: None.

Respondents/affected entities: Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Funding Recipients.

Respondent's obligation to respond: Required for recipients of GLRI funds.

Estimated number of respondents: 594 (total).

Frequency of response: Quarterly.

Total estimated burden: 20,663 hours (33 hours for state, local, and tribal governments to complete 4 quarterly responses per year, and 41.1 hours for non-government organizations to complete 4 quarterly responses per year). "Burden" is defined at 5 CFR 1320.3(b).

Total estimated cost: \$1,212,164.00. This includes an estimated annual burden cost of \$1,212,164.00 for labor and no capital investment or maintenance and operational costs.

Changes in Estimates: The burden and costs stated above are from the current approved ICR, 2379.01. EPA believes these estimates will remain substantially the same, but may adjust these estimates based on public comments received or other information gained by the Agency prior to submitting the ICR renewal package to OMB.

Dated: April 1, 2013.

Susan Hedman,

Great Lakes National Program Manager.

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