Section 106 Review

As outlined in 36 CFR Part 800, “Protection of Historic Properties,” DOE will comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, (NHPA) as a separate, but parallel, process to the NEPA process. DOE will provide information about its compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA in subsequent Federal Register notices.

Public Scoping Process for the Amended Application

Interested parties are invited to participate in the scoping process, both to help define the environmental issues to be analyzed and to identify the range of reasonable alternatives. Both oral and written comments will be considered and given equal weight, regardless of how submitted. Written comments can be submitted either electronically or by paper copy; if the latter, consider using a delivery service because materials submitted by regular mail often arrive damaged. (Warped and unusable CD or DVD discs are common.) Additionally, comments can be submitted through the project Web site at www.northernpasseis.us. This site will also serve as a repository for all public documents and the central location for announcements. Individuals may subscribe to the “email list” feature on the project Web site in order to receive future announcements and news releases.

As part of the scoping process, DOE will hold the following additional scoping meetings:
1. Concord, NH, Grappone Conference Center, 70 Constitution Avenue, Monday, September 23, 2013, 6–9 p.m.;
2. Plymouth, NH, Plymouth State University, Silver Center for the Arts, Hanaway Theater, 17 High Street, Tuesday, September 24, 2013, 5–8 p.m.;
3. Whitefield, NH, Mountain View Grand Resort & Spa, Presidential Room, 101 Mountain View Road, Wednesday, September 25, 2013, 5–8 p.m.; and
4. West Stewartstown, NH, The Outback Pub at The Spa Restaurant, 869 Washington Street, Thursday, September 26, 2013, 5–8 p.m.

If assistance is needed to participate in any of the DOE scoping meetings (e.g., qualified interpreter, computer-aided real-time transcription), please submit a request for auxiliary aids and services to DOE by September 16, 2013 by contacting Brian Mills as described in the ADDRESSES section above.

The scoping meetings will be structured in two parts: First, an open house portion for the initial 30 minutes of each meeting that will not be recorded; and second, a formal commenting session for the remainder of each meeting, during which oral comments will be transcribed by a stenographer. The meetings will provide interested parties the opportunity to view exhibits on the proposed Project and provide scoping comments. The Applicant will be available to answer questions and provide information to attendees. Meeting attendees are not permitted to bring in any items that may be disruptive to the meeting, and therefore interfere with the public’s right to participate in the NEPA process. Each venue reserves the right to restrict any such unpermitted items.

Persons submitting comments during the scoping process, whether orally or in writing, will be added to the mailing list to receive either paper or electronic copies of the Draft EIS, according to their preference. Persons who do not wish to submit comments or suggestions at this time, but who would like to receive a copy of the Draft EIS for review and comment when it is issued, should notify Brian Mills, as provided in the ADDRESSES section above, with their paper-or-electronic preference.

DOE will summarize comments received in a “Scoping Report” that will be available on the project Web site.

EIS Preparation and Schedule

Following completion of the Scoping Report, DOE will prepare the Draft EIS, taking into consideration comments received during the scoping period. DOE plans to issue the Draft EIS in 2014. After DOE issues the Draft EIS, the EPA will publish a notice of availability (NOA) of the Draft EIS in the Federal Register, which will begin a minimum 45-day public comment period. DOE will announce how to comment on the Draft EIS and will hold at least one public hearing during the public comment period. In preparing the Final EIS, DOE will respond to comments received on the Draft EIS. DOE plans to issue the Final EIS in 2015. No sooner than 30 days after the EPA publishes a NOA of the Final EIS, DOE will issue its Record of Decision.

Issued in Washington, DC, on August 29, 2013.

Patricia A. Hoffman,
Assistant Secretary, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Certification Notice—225]

Notice of Filing of Self-Certification of Coal Capability Under the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act

AGENCY: Office Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of filing.

SUMMARY: On August 5, 2013, Garrison Energy Center, LLC, an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Calpine Corporation of a new combined cycle electric powerplant, submitted a coal capability self-certification to the Department of Energy (DOE) pursuant to § 201(d) of the Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act of 1978 (FUA), as amended, and DOE regulations in 10 CFR 501.60, 61. FUA and regulations thereunder require DOE to publish a notice of filing of self-certification in the Federal Register. 42 U.S.C. 8311(d) and 10 CFR 501.61(c).


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher Lawrence at (202) 586–5260.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title II of FUA, as amended (42 U.S.C. 8301 et seq.), provides that no new base load electric powerplant may be constructed or operated without the capability to use coal or another alternate fuel as a primary energy source. Pursuant to FUA in order to meet the requirement of coal capability, the owner or operator of such a facility proposing to use natural gas or petroleum its primary energy source shall certify to the Secretary of Energy (Secretary) prior to construction, or prior to operation as a base load electric powerplant, that such powerplant has the capability to use coal or another alternate fuel. Such certification establishes compliance with FUA section 201(a) as of the date it is filed with the Secretary, 42 U.S.C. 8311.

The following owner of a proposed new combined cycle electric powerplant has filed a self-certification of coal-capability with DOE pursuant to FUA section 201(d) and in accordance with DOE regulations in 10 CFR 501.60, 61: 
Owner: Garrison Energy Center, LLC.
Capacity: 309 megawatts (MW).
Plant Location: Kent County, Delaware.
In-Service Date: On or before June 1, 2015.

Issued in Washington, DC, on August 30, 2013.

Brian Mills,
Director, Permitting and Siting, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC13–17–000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC–551); Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Comment request.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507(a)(1)(D), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is submitting the information collection FERC–551, Reporting of Flow Volume and Capacity by Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review of the information collection requirements. Any interested person may file comments directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below. The Commission issued a Notice in the Federal Register (78 FR 36176, 6/17/2013) requesting public comments. FERC received no comments on the FERC–551 and is making this notation in its submittal to OMB.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due by October 7, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Comments filed with OMB, identified by the OMB Control No. 1902–0243, should be sent via email to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs: oira_submission@omb.gov.

Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. The Desk Officer may also be reached via telephone at 202–395–4718.

A copy of the comments should also be sent to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, identified by the Docket No. IC13–17–000, by either of the following methods:

• Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Instructions: All submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide.asp. For user assistance contact FERC Online Support by email at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, or by phone at: (866) 208–3676 (toll-free), or (202) 502–8659 for TTY.

Docket: Users interested in receiving automatic notification of activity in this docket or in viewing/downloading comments and issuances in this docket may do so at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/docs-filing.asp.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ellen Brown may be reached by email at DataClearance@FERC.gov, by telephone at (202) 502–8663, and by fax at (202) 273–0873.

FERC–551: REPORTING OF FLOW VOLUME AND CAPACITY BY INTERSTATE NATURAL GAS PIPELINES

| Number of respondents (A) | Number of annual responses per respondent (B) | Total number responses (A)×(B)=(C) | Estimated burden hours per response (D) | Estimated total annual burden (C)×(D) |
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| 101                       | 366                                         | 36,966                           | 4.05                                | 18,483                           |

The total estimated annual cost burden to respondents is $1,040,038 [18,483 hours × $36.27/hour = $1,040,038].

Comments: Comments are invited on:

1. Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. The accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; indicating that there is one response per day per respondent. We use 366 days as this keeps the total burden hour figure consistent with the prior notice.

1 See 18 CFR 284.7(a)(4) (requiring pipelines to provide no-notice service).
2 Order Granting Motion to Clarify Opinion, Texas Pipelines Ass’n v. FERC, 661 F.3d 258 (Dec. 20, 2011).
3 Burden is defined as the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. For further explanation of what is included in the information collection burden, reference 5 Code of Federal Regulations 1320.3.

4 In the prior notice regarding this collection, FERC used 183 burden hours per response, and the assumption of one response per year. In this notice we show the burden to a more detailed level,