

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. EL16–19–000]

ISO New England Inc. Participating Transmission Owners Administrative Committee; Emera Maine; Town of Braintree Electric Light Department; NSTAR Electric Company; Chicopee Electric Light Department; Central Maine Power Company; Maine Electric Power Company (MEPCO); Connecticut Municipal Electric Energy Cooperative & Connecticut Transmission Municipal Electric Energy Cooperative; The City of Holyoke Gas and Electric Department; New Hampshire Transmission, LLC; Green Mountain Power Corporation; Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company; New England Power Company, d/b/a National Grid; New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc.; Eversource Energy Service Company as agent for: The Connecticut Light and Power Company, Western Massachusetts Electric Company, and Public Service Company of New Hampshire; Town of Hudson Light and Power Department; Town of Middleborough Gas & Electric Department; Town of Norwood Municipal Light Department; Town of Reading Municipal Light Department; Town of Wallingford (CT) Electric Division; Taunton Municipal Lighting Plant; The United Illuminating Company; Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. and Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company; Vermont Electric Cooperative, Inc.; Vermont Electric Power Company, Inc. and Vermont Transco, LLC; Vermont Public Power Supply Authority; Shrewsbury Electric and Cable Operations

Notice of Institution of Section 206 Proceeding and Refund Effective Date

On December 28, 2015, the Commission issued an order in Docket No. EL16–19–000, pursuant to section 206 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C. 824e (2012), instituting an investigation into the justness and reasonableness of ISO-New England, Inc. Participating Transmission Owners' Regional Network Service and Local Network Service formula rates. *ISO-New England, Inc. Participating Transmission Owners Administrative Committee*, 153 FERC ¶ 61,343 (2015).

The refund effective date in Docket No. EL16–19–000, established pursuant to section 206(b) of the FPA, will be the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: December 28, 2015.

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

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[Docket No. CP15–91–000]

East Tennessee Natural Gas, LLC; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Loudon Expansion Project

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) for the Loudon Expansion Project, proposed by East Tennessee Natural Gas, LLC (East Tennessee) in the above-referenced docket. East Tennessee requests authorization to construct, own, and operate a new pipeline, new mainline valve, and new meter station in Monroe and Loudon Counties, Tennessee and install a pressure regulator at an existing meter station in Loudon County. The Loudon Expansion Project would provide up to 40,000 Dekatherms per day of firm transportation service Tate & Lyle Americas Ingredients, LLC for its new natural gas fueled combined cycle electric power plant at its manufacturing facility in Loudon County.

The EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the Loudon Expansion Project in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The FERC staff concludes that approval of the proposed project, with appropriate mitigating measures, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The proposed Loudon Expansion Project includes the following facilities:

- 10.2 miles of new 12-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline from East Tennessee's existing 3200 mainline in Monroe County, Tennessee to the Tate & Lyle in Loudon County, Tennessee;
- one 12-inch mainline valve, two 12-inch tee taps, above- and below-ground piping, and a pig launcher barrel in Monroe County;
- one new meter facility, above- and below-ground piping, flow measurement and control equipment, a filter/separator, a pig receiver barrel, aboveground valve operators for below

ground valves, blowdowns, and a condensate tank in Loudon County; and

- a pressure regulator at existing Meter Station 59039 on its Loudon-Lenoir City Lateral Line 3218D–100 in Loudon County.

The FERC staff mailed copies of the EA to federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; potentially affected landowners and other interested individuals and groups; newspapers and libraries in the project area; and parties to this proceeding. In addition, the EA is available for public viewing on the FERC's Web site (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. A limited number of copies of the EA are available for distribution and public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference Room, 888 First Street NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502–8371.

Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. To ensure that the Commission has the opportunity to consider your comments prior to making its decision on this project, it is important that we receive your comments in Washington, DC on or before January 27, 2016.

For your convenience, there are three methods you can use to file your comments to the Commission. In all instances, please reference the project docket number (CP15–91–000) with your submission. The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments and has expert staff available to assist you at (202) 502–8258 or efiling@ferc.gov.

(1) You can file your comments electronically using the eComment feature on the Commission's Web site (www.ferc.gov) under the link to Documents and Filings. This is an easy method for submitting brief, text-only comments on a project;

(2) You can also file your comments electronically using the eFiling feature on the Commission's Web site (www.ferc.gov) under the link to Documents and Filings. With eFiling, you can provide comments in a variety of formats by attaching them as a file with your submission. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on "eRegister." You must select the type of filing you are making. If you are filing a comment on a particular