

applicant is replacing and upgrading. The project would be located in the town of Danby in Rutland County, Vermont.

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*Qualifying Conduit Hydropower Facility Description:* The proposed project would consist of: (1) An approximately 10-foot by 10-foot shed containing two 800-kW turbine/generating units with a total installed capacity of 1.6 kW; (2) a short penstock to the turbine that wyes off a 4-inch-diameter water supply pipeline; (3) a 20-foot-long, open channel tailrace

discharging water to Mill Brook; and (4) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an estimated annual generating capacity of 13,000 kilowatt-hours.

A qualifying conduit hydropower facility is one that is determined or deemed to meet all of the criteria shown in the table below.

TABLE 1—CRITERIA FOR QUALIFYING CONDUIT HYDROPOWER FACILITY

Statutory provision	Description	Satisfies (Y/N)
FPA 30(a)(3)(A), as amended by HREA ...	The conduit the facility uses is a tunnel, canal, pipeline, aqueduct, flume, ditch, or similar manmade water conveyance that is operated for the distribution of water for agricultural, municipal, or industrial consumption and not primarily for the generation of electricity.	Y
FPA 30(a)(3)(C)(i), as amended by HREA	The facility is constructed, operated, or maintained for the generation of electric power and uses for such generation only the hydroelectric potential of a non-federally owned conduit.	Y
FPA 30(a)(3)(C)(ii), as amended by HREA	The facility has an installed capacity that does not exceed 5 megawatts .....	Y
FPA 30(a)(3)(C)(iii), as amended by HREA.	On or before August 9, 2013, the facility is not licensed, or exempted from the licensing requirements of Part I of the FPA.	Y

*Preliminary Determination:* The proposed addition of the hydroelectric project along the upgraded irrigation and domestic water supply pipeline will not alter its primary purpose. Yoder Farm has stated that the primary purpose of the pipeline upgrade is to improve the efficiency of the existing pipe, and that it will proceed with the pipeline upgrade regardless of the ability to generate electricity. Yoder Farm has also indicated that the generator is subordinate to the agricultural demands of the conduit, and will operate only in instances where excess water must be released. Therefore, based upon the above information and criteria, Commission staff preliminarily determines that the proposal satisfies the requirements for a qualifying conduit hydropower facility, which is not required to be licensed or exempted from licensing.

*Comments and Motions To Intervene:* Deadline for filing comments contesting whether the facility meets the qualifying criteria is 45 days from the issuance date of this notice.

Deadline for filing motions to intervene is 30 days from the issuance date of this notice.

Anyone may submit comments or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210 and 385.214. Any motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular proceeding.

*Filing and Service of Responsive Documents:* All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the “COMMENTS

CONTESTING QUALIFICATION FOR A CONDUIT HYDROPOWER FACILITY” or “MOTION TO INTERVENE,” as applicable; (2) state in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) state the name, address, and telephone number of the person filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of sections 385.2001 through 385.2005 of the Commission’s regulations.<sup>1</sup> All comments contesting Commission staff’s preliminary determination that the facility meets the qualifying criteria must set forth their evidentiary basis.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene and comments using the Commission’s eFiling system at <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](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in

accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

*Locations of Notice of Intent:* Copies of the notice of intent can be obtained directly from the applicant or such copies can be viewed and reproduced at the Commission in its Public Reference Room, Room 2A, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. The filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp> using the “eLibrary” link. Enter the docket number (*i.e.*, CD17-9) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3676 or email [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Dated: March 23, 2017.

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

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

**Combined Notice of Filings**

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

**Filings Instituting Proceedings**

*Docket Numbers:* CP17-78-000.

*Applicants:* B&W Pipeline, Inc.

*Description:* Application for Limited Jurisdiction Blanket Certificate and

<sup>1</sup> 18 CFR 385.2001-2005 (2016).

Request for Expedited Action of B&W Pipeline, Inc.

*Filed Date:* 03/16/2017.

*Accession Number:* 20170317–5191.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, April 07, 2017.

*Docket Numbers:* RP16–137–012.

*Applicants:* Tallgrass Interstate Gas Transmission, L.

*Description:* Tallgrass Interstate Gas Transmission, LLC submits tariff filing per 154.203: Cancellation of TIGT 5th Revised Volume No. 1 Tariff to be effective 4/1/2017.

*Filed Date:* 03/17/2017.

*Accession Number:* 20170317–5186.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, March 29, 2017.

*Docket Numbers:* RP17–541–000.

*Applicants:* Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.

*Description:* Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P. submits tariff filing per 154.204: 03/17/17 Negotiated Rates—Consolidated Edison Energy Inc. (HUB) 2275–89 to be effective 3/16/2017.

*Filed Date:* 03/17/2017.

*Accession Number:* 20170317–5062.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, March 29, 2017.

*Docket Numbers:* RP17–542–000.

*Applicants:* ANR Pipeline Company.

*Description:* ANR Pipeline Company submits tariff filing per 154.601: Shell Energy FTS–1 NC Agreement to be effective 4/1/2017.

*Filed Date:* 03/17/2017.

*Accession Number:* 20170317–5107.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, March 29, 2017.

*Docket Numbers:* RP17–543–000.

*Applicants:* Ryckman Creek Resources, LLC.

*Description:* Ryckman Creek Resources, LLC submits tariff filing per 154.204: Non Conforming Service Agreements to be effective 4/1/2017.

*Filed Date:* 03/17/2017.

*Accession Number:* 20170317–5124.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Friday, March 24, 2017.

*Docket Numbers:* RP13–459–000.

*Applicants:* Trailblazer Pipeline Company LLC.

*Description:* Trailblazer Pipeline Company LLC submits tariff filing per 154.501: 2016 Penalty Revenue Credit Report.

*Filed Date:* 03/20/2017.

*Accession Number:* 20170320–5168.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, April 03, 2017.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the links or querying the docket number.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and § 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf>. For other information, call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Dated: March 21, 2017.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP17–74–000]

#### National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation; Notice of Application

Take notice that on March 10, 2017, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (National Fuel), having its principal place of business at 6363 Main Street, Williamsville, New York 14221 filed in the above referenced docket an application pursuant to section 7(b) and 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations requesting authorization to construct, replace, idle, and abandon four separate pipeline sections and appurtenant facilities located in Cameron, Elk and McKean Counties, Pennsylvania, referred to as the Line YM28 and Line FM120 Modernization Project (Project), all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site 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](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call toll-free, (866) 208–3676 or TYY, (202) 502–8659.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Randy C. Rucinski, Assistant General Counsel for

National Fuel, 6363 Main Street, Williamsville, New York 14221, by phone at (716) 857–7237, by fax (716) 857–7206 or by emailing [rucinski@natfuel.com](mailto:rucinski@natfuel.com).

Specifically, the National Fuel proposes the following modifications: (i) Construct approximately 14.4 miles of new 12-inch diameter pipeline (new Line KL), (ii) replace via insertion approximately 5.8 miles of Line FM120, (iii) idle approximately 12.5 miles of Line FM120, and (iv) abandon in place approximately 7.7 miles of the existing Line YM28. The Project is designed to enhance service to National Fuel's existing customers and improve the reliability and flexibility of National Fuel's system for existing shippers. The total cost of the Project is approximately \$39,500,000.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules (18 CFR 157.9), within 90 days of this Notice, the Commission staff will either: Complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit seven copies of filings made in the proceeding with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and