A CO₂ underground pipeline from the proposed Riley Ridge Sweetening Plant to the Bairoil Interconnect, consisting of 129 miles of 24-inch-diameter pipe, and continuing from the interconnect another 84 miles to the terminus at the Natrona Hub within Natrona County;

- The 4.3-acre proposed Riley Ridge Sweetening Plant, located on BLM-administered lands, constructed and operated to separate the CO₂ from the H₂S; the H₂S would be reinjected into deep geologic formations via two proposed injection wells;
- An approximately 1-mile-long 230 kV overhead transmission line that would bring power to the Riley Ridge Sweetening Plant from an existing 230 kV transmission line; and
- Ancillary facilities, such as roads, valves, flowlines, etc.

The purpose of this Federal action is to respond to the Applicant’s right-of-way applications for construction, operation, and maintenance of the Project infrastructure across Federal land. Section 28 of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 provides authority for BLM to issue right-of-way grants for pipeline purposes, and FLPMA provides the BLM with discretionary authority to grant use of public lands, including rights-of-way, taking into consideration impacts on natural, cultural, and historical resources.

The BLM is the lead Federal agency for this EIS as defined at 40 CFR part 1501.5. Cooperating agencies include U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Park Service, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; the State of Wyoming; Freemont, Lincoln, Sublette, Sweetwater, and Natrona counties in Wyoming; and the Natrona County, Popo Agie, Sublette County, and Sweetwater County conservation districts in Wyoming.

In accordance with NEPA, the BLM prepared an EIS analyzing the right-of-way applications using an interdisciplinary approach to consider a variety of resource issues and concerns identified during internal, interagency, and public scoping. The BLM published a NOA of the Draft EIS for public review and comment in the Federal Register on March 23, 2018 (83 FR 12810). The EPA published a NOA of the Draft EIS for public review and comment in the Federal Register on the same day, which initiated a 45-day public review period.

To allow the public an opportunity to review information associated with the Project and comment on the Draft EIS, the BLM hosted four public meetings in April 2018. The public meetings on the Draft EIS were held from 4 to 7 p.m. at the following locations:
- April 9—Ramada Plaza Riverside, 300 West F Street, Casper, Wyoming
- April 10—Rodeway Inn/Pronghorn Lodge, 150 East Main Street, Lander, Wyoming
- April 11—Marbleton Town Hall, 10700 Highway 189, Marbleton, Wyoming
- April 12—BLM High Desert District Office, 280 Highway 191 North, Rock Springs, Wyoming

During the 45-day comment period, 19 submittals offering comments on the Draft EIS were received from various federal, State, and local agencies; various special interest groups; corporations; and public citizens. This included 14 letters, 3 comment forms, and 2 emails with comments submitted at the public open house meetings and mailed to the BLM. In compliance with the requirements of the Council on Environmental Quality regulations for implementing NEPA, all substantive comments received were assessed and a response provided. Of the 19 comment submittals received, 70 comments were identified as substantive according to BLM guidelines.

The BLM responded to comments received on the draft EIS in the final EIS. After the final waiting period, and based on the environmental analysis in the final EIS, the BLM will prepare a Record of Decision documenting the BLM Authorized Officer’s decision.

Authority: 40 CFR 1501.7 and 43 CFR 1610.2.

Tim Wakefield,
High Desert District Manager.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
[Docket No. BOEM–2018–0054]

Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), Alaska Region (AK), Beaufort Sea Program Area, Proposed 2019 Beaufort Sea Oil and Gas Lease Sale


ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement, announce the area identified for leasing, extension of comment period and prescheduling of public scoping meetings.

SUMMARY: On November 16, 2018, consistent with the regulations implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) announced its intent, in the Federal Register (83 FR 57749), to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed 2019 Beaufort Sea Lease Sale in the Beaufort Sea Planning Area. Because of earthquakes in Alaska, BOEM has rescheduled some of its scoping meetings and extended the comment period.

DATES:
Comments: All interested parties, including Federal, State, Tribal, and local governments, and the general public, may submit written comments by January 4, 2019, on the scope of the 2019 Beaufort Sea Lease Sale EIS, significant issues, reasonable alternatives, potential mitigation measures, and the foreseeable types of oil and gas activities in the proposed lease area.

Comments may be made on-line. Navigate to http://www.regulations.gov and search for Docket BOEM–2018–0054, or “Oil and Gas Lease Sales: Alaska Outer Continental Shelf; 2019 Beaufort Sea Lease Sale”, and click on the “Comment Now!” button. Enter your information and comment, and then click “Submit.” Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

ADDRESSES:
Scoping Meetings: Pursuant to the regulations implementing the procedural provisions of NEPA, BOEM will hold public scoping meetings. The purpose of these meetings is to solicit comments on the scope of the 2019 Beaufort Sea Lease Sale EIS. The meeting in Anchorage, Alaska, on December 6, 2018, was held as scheduled. The remaining meetings will all start at 7:00 p.m. and conclude at 9:00 p.m., and are rescheduled as follows:
- December 17, 2018, Inupiat Heritage Center, Utqiagvik, Alaska;
- December 18, 2018, Kisik Community Center, Nuiqsut, Alaska; and
- December 19, 2018, Community Center, Kaktovik, Alaska.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the 2019 Beaufort Sea
INSTITUTION OF INVESTIGATION

[Investigation No. 337–TA–1140]

Certain Multi-Stage Fuel Vapor Canister Systems and Activated Carbon Components Thereof; Institution of Investigation


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a complaint was filed with the U.S. International Trade Commission on November 8, 2018, under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, on behalf of Ingevity Corp., North Charleston, South Carolina and Ingevity South Carolina, LLC of North Charleston, South Carolina. The complaint alleges violations of section 337 based upon the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain multi-stage fuel vapor canister systems and activated carbon components thereof by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent No. RE38,844 ("the ‘844 patent"). The complaint further alleges that an industry in the United States exists as required by the applicable Federal Statute.

The complainants request that the Commission institute an investigation and, after the investigation, issue a limited exclusion order and cease and desist orders.

ADDRESSES: The complaint, except for any confidential information contained therein, is available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Room 112, Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205–2000. Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal on (202) 205–1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at (202) 205–2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server at https://www.usitc.gov. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at https://edis.usitc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Katherine Hiner, Office of the Secretary, Docket Services Division, U.S. International Trade Commission, telephone (202) 205–1802.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:


Scope of Investigation: Having considered the complaint, the U.S. International Trade Commission, on December 7, 2018, Ordered that—

(1) Pursuant to subsection (b) of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, an investigation be instituted to determine whether there is a violation of subsection (a)(1)(B) of section 337 in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of certain products identified in paragraph (2) by reason of infringement of one or more of claims 1–5, 8, 11, 13, 15, 18, 19, 21, 24, 28, 31, 33, 36, 38, 40, 43, 45, 48, 50, and 52 of the ‘844 patent; and whether an industry in the United States exists as required by subsection (a)(2) of section 337;

(2) Pursuant to section 210.10(b)(1) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 CFR 210.10(b)(1), the plain language description of the accused products or category of accused products, which defines the scope of the investigation, is “multi-stage fuel vapor canister systems manufactured by the MAHLE Respondents that include low-incremental adsorption capacity (IAC) activated carbon components and the low-IAC activated carbon components thereof, such as MPAC–1.”;

(3) For the purpose of the investigation so instituted, the following are hereby named as parties upon which this notice of investigation shall be served:

(a) The complainants are: Ingevity Corp., 5255 Virginia Avenue, North Charleston, SC 29406. Ingevity South Carolina, LLC, 5255 Virginia Avenue, North Charleston, SC 29406.

(b) The respondents are the following entities alleged to be in violation of section 337, and are the parties upon which the complaint is to be served: MAHLE Filter Systems North America, Inc., 906 Butler Drive, Murfreesboro, TN 37127. MAHLE Filter Systems Japan Corp., 591 Shimo-akasaka, Kawagoe, Saitama 350–1155, Japan.

MAHLE Sistemas de Filtración de México S.A. de C.V., Libramiento Arco Vial Poniente km. 4.2, 66350 Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico.

MAHLE Filter Systems Canada, ULC, 16 Industrial Park Road, Tilbury, ON N0P 2L0, Canada.

Kuraray Co., Ltd., Ote Center Building, 1–1–3, Otemachi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100–8115, Japan.

Kuraray America, Inc., 2625 Bay Area Boulevard, Suite 600, Houston, TX 77058.


The Office of Unfair Import Investigations will not be named as a party to this investigation.

(4) For the investigation so instituted, the Chief Administrative Law Judge, U.S. International Trade Commission, shall designate the presiding Administrative Law Judge.

Responses to the complaint and the notice of investigation must be submitted by the named respondents in accordance with section 210.13 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 CFR 210.13. Pursuant to 19 CFR 201.16(e) and 210.13(a), such responses will be considered by the Commission if received not later than 20 days after the date of service by the Commission of the complaint and the notice of investigation. Extensions of time for submitting responses to the complaint and the notice of investigation will not be granted unless good cause therefor is shown.

Failure of a respondent to file a timely response to each allegation in the complaint and in this notice may be deemed to constitute a waiver of the right to appear and contest the allegations of the complaint and this notice, and to authorize the administrative law judge and the Commission, without further notice to the respondents, to find the facts to be as alleged in the complaint and this notice and to enter an initial determination.