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*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on November 4, 2020.

Dated: October 6, 2020.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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of the companies who are named in the caption of this order.

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**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Revocation of Market-Based Rate Authority and Termination of Electric Market-Based Rate Tariff

|                                  | Docket Nos.   |
|----------------------------------|---------------|
| Electric Quarterly Reports ..... | ER02-2001-020 |
| Capital Energy LLC .....         | ER14-2232-001 |
| HIC Energy, LLC .....            | ER15-2473-000 |
| Veritas Energy Group, LLC .....  | ER17-1751-000 |
| Iridium Energy, LLC .....        | ER18-777-000  |

On August 24, 2020, the Commission issued an order announcing its intent to revoke the market-based rate authority of several public utilities that had failed to file their required Electric Quarterly Reports.<sup>1</sup> The Commission directed those public utilities to file the required Electric Quarterly Reports within 15 days of the date of issuance of the order or face revocation of their authority to sell power at market-based rates and termination of their electric market-based rate tariffs.<sup>2</sup>

The time period for compliance with the August 24 Order has elapsed. The above-captioned companies failed to file their delinquent Electric Quarterly Reports. The Commission hereby revokes, effective as of the date of issuance of this notice, the market-based rate authority and terminates the electric market-based rate tariff of each

## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### [Docket No. CP20-504-000]

### Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review of the Lake City 1st Branch Line Abandonment and Capacity Replacement Project

On July 31, 2020, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern) filed an application in Docket No. CP20-504-000 requesting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act to abandon in place and construct and operate certain natural gas pipeline facilities. The proposed project is known as the Lake City 1st Branch Line Abandonment and Capacity Replacement Project (Project) and would provide for safer long-term operation of Northern's system.

On August 7, 2020, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) issued its Notice of Application for the Project. Among other things, that notice alerted agencies issuing federal authorizations of the requirement to complete all necessary reviews and to reach a final decision on a request for a federal authorization within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Project. This instant notice identifies the FERC staff's planned schedule for the completion of the EA for the Project.

#### Schedule for Environmental Review

Issuance of EA—February 26, 2021  
90-day Federal Authorization Decision Deadline—May 27, 2021

If a schedule change becomes necessary, additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies are kept informed of the Project's progress.

#### Project Description

Northern proposes the following actions in Webster and Calhoun Counties, Iowa: (1) Abandon in-place about 34.2 miles of the Lake City 1st branch pipeline from Dayton to Lake City; (2) construct and operate about 9.2

miles of 6-inch-diameter pipeline and associated aboveground appurtenances (an extension of the Lake City 2nd branch line); and (3) uprate the Maximum Allowable Operating Pressure of the existing Callender branch pipeline, the existing Manson 2nd branch pipeline, and 25.3 miles of the existing Lake City 2nd branch pipeline.

#### Background

On August 31, 2020, the Commission issued a *Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Lake City 1st Branch Line Abandonment and Capacity Replacement Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues* (NOI). The NOI was sent to affected landowners; federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. In response to the NOI, the Commission received comments from three landowners and the Natural Resources Conservation Service. The primary issues raised by the commentors are concerns regarding federal permits and the Project's impacts on farmland and private property. All substantive comments will be addressed in the EA.

#### Additional Information

In order to receive notification of the issuance of the EA and to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to <https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/overview> to register for eSubscription.

Additional information about the Project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (866) 208-FERC or on the FERC website ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)). Using the eLibrary link, select General Search from the eLibrary menu, enter the selected date range and Docket Number excluding the last three digits (*i.e.*, CP20-504), and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to eLibrary, the helpline can be reached at (866) 208-3676, TTY (202) 502-8659, or at *FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov*. The eLibrary link on the FERC website also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rule makings.

<sup>1</sup> *Electric Quarterly Reports*, 172 FERC 61,159 (2020) (August 24 Order).

<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at Ordering Paragraph A.

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**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP20-1237-000]

#### Midship Pipeline Company, LLC; Notice of Initiation of Section 5 Proceeding

On October 2, 2020, the Commission issued an order in Docket No. RP20-1237-000, pursuant to section 5 of the Natural Gas Act, 15 U.S.C. 717d, instituting an investigation into the public interest implications of a potential rejection of a firm transportation service agreement between Midship Pipeline Company, LLC and Gulfport Energy Corporation (Gulfport) should Gulfport initiate bankruptcy proceedings and propose to reject that agreement. *Midship Pipeline Company, LLC* 173 FERC 61,011 (2020).

Any interested person desiring to be heard in Docket No. RP20-1237-000 must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate, with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, in accordance with Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.214 (2020), within 30 days of the date of issuance of the order.

In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (<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. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to Commission's Public Reference Room, due to the proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), issued by the President on March 13, 2020. For assistance, contact FERC at *FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov* or call toll-free, (886) 208-3676 or TYY, (202) 502-8659.

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U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

Dated: October 5, 2020.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OGC-2020-0509; FRL 10015-50-OGC]

### Proposed Consent Decree, Clean Air Act Citizen Suit

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed consent decree; request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 113(g) of the Clean Air Act, as amended ("CAA" or the "Act"), the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") gives notice of a proposed consent decree in *Our Children's Earth Foundation v. Wheeler*, No. 4:20-cv-00396-JSW (N.D. Cal.). In this litigation, Our Children's Earth Foundation ("OCEF") alleged that the Administrator of EPA failed to perform certain non-discretionary duties to timely respond, in accordance with the Act, to numerous state implementation plan ("SIP") submittals from the State of California. The proposed consent decree would establish deadlines for EPA to take action in response to these California SIP submittals. The proposed consent decree does not require EPA to take any specific, particular action in response to the submittals.

**DATES:** Written comments on the proposed consent decree must be received by November 12, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OGC-2020-0509, online at <https://www.regulations.gov> (EPA's preferred method). Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the Docket ID number for this action. Comments received may be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov/>, including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on sending

comments and additional information on the rulemaking process, see the "Additional Information about Commenting on the Proposed Consent Decree" heading under the

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document. Out of an abundance of caution for members of the public and our staff, the EPA Docket Center and Reading Room are closed to the public, with limited exceptions, to reduce the risk of transmitting COVID-19. Our Docket Center staff will continue to provide remote customer service via email, phone, and webform. We encourage the public to submit comments via <https://www.regulations.gov>, as there may be a delay in processing mail and faxes. Hand deliveries and couriers may be received by scheduled appointment only. For further information on EPA Docket Center services and the current status, please visit us online at <https://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Obtaining a Copy of the Proposed Consent Decree

The official public docket for this action (identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OGC-2020-0509) contains a copy of the proposed consent decree.

The electronic version of the public docket for this action contains a copy of the proposed consent decree, and is available through <https://www.regulations.gov>. You may use <https://www.regulations.gov> to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the official public docket, and access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, key in the appropriate docket identification number then select "search."

##### II. Additional Information About the Proposed Consent Decree

The proposed consent decree would fully resolve two lawsuits filed by OCEF seeking to compel the Administrator to take action, in accordance with CAA section 110, 42 U.S.C. 7410, to respond to numerous California SIP submittals. Both lawsuits were filed in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California: the first, *OCEF v. Wheeler*, No. 4:20-cv-00396-JSW, was