

other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

**o. Scoping Process.**

Commission staff will prepare either an environmental assessment (EA) or an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that describes and evaluates the probable effects, if any, of the licensee's proposed action and alternatives. The EA or EIS will consider environmental impacts and reasonable alternatives to the proposed action. The Commission's scoping process will help determine the required level of analysis and satisfy the NEPA scoping requirements, irrespective of whether the Commission prepares an EA or an EIS. At this time, we do not anticipate holding on-site scoping meetings. Instead, we are soliciting written comments and suggestions on our updated list of issues and alternatives to be addressed in the NEPA document, as described in scoping document 3 (SD3), issued February 1, 2022.

Copies of the SD3 outlining the subject areas to be addressed in the NEPA document were distributed to the parties on the Commission's mailing list and the applicant's distribution list. Copies of SD3 may be viewed on the 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, call 1-866-208-3676 or for TTY, (202) 502-8659.

Dated: February 1, 2022.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM98-1-000]

#### Records Governing Off-the-Record Communications; Public Notice

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2201(b), of the receipt of prohibited and exempt off-the-record communications.

Order No. 607 (64 FR 51222, September 22, 1999) requires Commission decisional employees, who make or receive a prohibited or exempt off-the-record communication relevant to the merits of a contested proceeding, to deliver to the Secretary of the Commission, a copy of the communication, if written, or a summary of the substance of any oral communication.

Prohibited communications are included in a public, non-decisional file associated with, but not a part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become a part of the decisional record, the prohibited off-the-record communication will not be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision. Parties to a

proceeding may seek the opportunity to respond to any facts or contentions made in a prohibited off-the-record communication and may request that the Commission place the prohibited communication and responses thereto in the decisional record. The Commission will grant such a request only when it determines that fairness so requires. Any person identified below as having made a prohibited off-the-record communication shall serve the document on all parties listed on the official service list for the applicable proceeding in accordance with Rule 2010, 18 CFR 385.2010.

Exempt off-the-record communications are included in the decisional record of the proceeding, unless the communication was with a cooperating agency as described by 40 CFR 1501.6, made under 18 CFR 385.2201(e)(1)(v).

The following is a list of off-the-record communications recently received by the Secretary of the Commission. The communications listed are grouped by docket numbers in ascending order. These filings are available for electronic review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's website 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, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Docket Nos.	File date	Presenter or requester
<b>Prohibited:</b>		
1. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012 .....	1-20-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>1</sup>
2. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012, RP21-1001-000, RP21-1001-001, CP18-46-004, CP15-490-002.	1-20-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>2</sup>
3. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012 .....	1-20-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>3</sup>
4. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012, RP21-1001-000, RP21-1001-001, CP18-46-004, CP15-490-002.	1-20-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>4</sup>
5. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012, RP21-1001-000, RP21-1001-001, CP18-46-004, CP15-490-002.	1-20-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>5</sup>
6. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012, RP21-1001-000, RP21-1001-001, CP18-46-004, CP15-490-002.	1-20-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>6</sup>
7. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012 .....	1-20-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>7</sup>
8. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012 .....	1-20-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>8</sup>
9. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012 .....	1-21-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>9</sup>
10. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012 .....	1-21-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>10</sup>
11. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012, RP21-1001-000, RP21-1001-001, CP18-46-004, CP15-490-002.	1-21-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>11</sup>
12. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012, RP21-1001-000, RP21-1001-001, CP18-46-004, CP15-490-002.	1-26-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>12</sup>
13. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012 .....	1-26-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>13</sup>
14. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012 .....	1-26-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>14</sup>
15. CP22-17-000 .....	1-27-2022	Molly Smith.
16. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012, RP21-1001-000, RP21-1001-001, CP18-46-004, CP15-490-002.	1-27-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>15</sup>
17. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012, RP21-1001-000, RP21-1001-001, CP18-46-004, CP15-490-002.	1-27-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>16</sup>
18. CP16-9-011, CP16-9-012 .....	1-27-2022	FERC Staff. <sup>17</sup>

Docket Nos.	File date	Presenter or requester
19. CP16–9–011, CP16–9–012 .....	1–27–2022	FERC Staff. <sup>18</sup>
20. CP16–9–011, CP16–9–012, RP21–1001–000, RP21–1001–001, CP18–46–004, CP15–490–002.	1–27–2022	FERC Staff. <sup>19</sup>
Exempt: CP16–9–000, CP16–9–012 .....	1–27–2022	U.S. Representative Stephen F. Lynch.

<sup>1</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/19/2022 from Mary Brady and 2 other individuals.

<sup>2</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/19/2022 from Ashley Sells and 3 other individuals.

<sup>3</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/19/2022 from Marian Glasgow and 4 other individuals.

<sup>4</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/19/2022 from Stephanie Ulmer.

<sup>5</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/19/2022 from Stephanie Ulmer and 7 other individuals.

<sup>6</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/19/2022 from Miriam Kurland and 10 other individuals.

<sup>7</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/19/2022 from Linda Haley and 4 other individuals.

<sup>8</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/19/2022 from Leann Canty and 1 other individual.

<sup>9</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/20/2022 from Carolyn Shadid Lewis.

<sup>10</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/20/2022 from Virginia Marcotte.

<sup>11</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/20/2022 from Blaze Bhence.

<sup>12</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/19/2022 from Lois Markham and 9 other individuals.

<sup>13</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/19/2022 from Mary Brady and 8 other individuals.

<sup>14</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/19/2022 from Jeanette Fariborz.

<sup>15</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/20/2022 from Cory Alperstein.

<sup>16</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/19/2022 from Stephanie Ulmer.

<sup>17</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/19/2022 from Jeanette Fairborz.

<sup>18</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/19/2022 from Judith Brorschek and 7 other individuals.

<sup>19</sup> Emailed comments dated 1/19/2022 from Aaron Rubin and 18 other individuals.

Dated: February 1, 2022.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP22–16–000]

#### Georgia-Pacific Consumer Operations LLC; Notice of Scoping Period Requesting Comments on Environmental Issues for the Proposed Georgia-Pacific Consumer Pipeline Abandonment Project

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental document, that will discuss the environmental impacts of the Georgia-Pacific Consumer Operations LLC (GPC) Pipeline Abandonment Project (Project) involving abandonment and removal of interstate natural gas transmission facilities by GPC in Louisiana and Arkansas. The Commission will use this environmental document in its decision-making process.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping process the Commission will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies regarding the project. As part of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review process, the Commission takes into account concerns the public may have about proposals and the environmental impacts that could result

from its action whenever it considers the issuance of an authorization. This gathering of public input is referred to as “scoping.” The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the environmental document on the important environmental issues. Additional information about the Commission’s NEPA process is described below in the *NEPA Process and Environmental Document* section of this notice.

By this notice, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of issues to address in the environmental document. To ensure that your comments are timely and properly recorded, please submit your comments so that the Commission receives them in Washington, DC on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on March 3, 2022.

Comments may be submitted in written form. Further details on how to submit comments are provided in the *Public Participation* section of this notice.

Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. Your input will help the Commission staff determine what issues they need to evaluate in the environmental document. Commission staff will consider all written comments during the preparation of the environmental document.

If you submitted comments on this project to the Commission before the opening of this docket on November 16, 2021, you will need to file those comments in Docket No. CP22–16–000

to ensure they are considered as part of this proceeding.

This notice is being sent to the Commission’s current environmental mailing list for this project. State and local government representatives should notify their constituents of this proposed project and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

If you are a landowner receiving this notice, a pipeline company representative may contact you about the acquisition of workspace needed to abandon the proposed facilities. The company would seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement. You are not required to enter into an agreement. However, if the Commission approves the project, the Natural Gas Act conveys the right of eminent domain to the company. Therefore, if you and the company do not reach an agreement, the pipeline company could initiate condemnation proceedings in court. In such instances, compensation would be determined by a judge in accordance with state law. The Commission does not subsequently grant, exercise, or oversee the exercise of that eminent domain authority. The courts have exclusive authority to handle eminent domain cases; the Commission has no jurisdiction over these matters.

Georgia-Pacific provided landowners with a fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled “An Interstate Natural Gas Facility On My Land? What Do I Need To Know?” which addresses typically asked questions, including the use of eminent domain and how to participate in the Commission’s proceedings. This fact sheet along with other landowner topics of interest are available for viewing on the FERC website