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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2964-006]

City of Sturgis; Notice of Site Visit and Scoping Meetings Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969

September 24, 1998.

On March 31, 1998, the City of Sturgis, Michigan (applicant) filed an application for new license for the Sturgis Hydro Project, located on the St. Joseph's River in St. Joseph County, near Centerville, Michigan.

The purpose of this notice is to: (1) advise all parties as to the proposed scope of the staff's environmental analysis, including cumulative effects, and to seek additional information pertinent to this analysis; and (2) advise all parties of their opportunity for comment.

Scoping Process

The Commission's scoping objectives are to:

- Identify significant environmental issues;
- Determine the depth of analysis appropriate to each issue;
- Identify the resource issues not requiring detailed analysis; and
- Identify reasonable project alternatives.

The purpose of the scoping process is to identify significant issues related to the proposed action and to determine what issues should be addressed in the environmental document to be prepared pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). The document entitled "Scoping Document" (SD) will be circulated shortly to enable appropriate federal, state, and local resource agencies, developers, Indian tribes, nongovernmental organizations (NGO'S), and other interested parties to effectively participate in and contribute to the scoping process. SD provides a brief description of the proposed action, project alternatives, the geographic and temporal scope of a cumulative effects analysis, and a list of preliminary issues identified by staff.

Project Site Visit

The applicant and the Commission staff will conduct a site visit of the Sturgis Hydro Project on October 13, 1998, at 1:30 p.m. They will meet at the hydroelectric facility. All interested individuals, NGO's and agencies are invited to attend. All participants are responsible for their own transportation. For more details, interested parties should contact Mr. John Griffith, Electric Department Superintendent, at (616) 651-2321, prior to the site visit date.

Scoping Meetings

The Commission staff will hold scoping meetings on October 13 and 14, 1998, in preparation for completing an Environmental Assessment (EA), under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), for relicensing the Sturgis Hydro Project.

Commission staff will hold the scoping meetings in the vicinity of the Sturgis Hydro Project: one evening meeting and one morning meeting. The evening will focus on receiving input from the public, whereas the afternoon meeting will focus on resource agency concerns. We invite all interested agencies, NGOs, and individuals to attend one or both of the meetings, and to assist staff in identifying the scope of environmental issues that should be analyzed in the EA. The times and locations of these meetings are shown below.

Evening Scoping Meeting: October 13, 1998, 7:30 p.m. until 9:30 p.m., Sturges-Young Auditorium, 201 North Nottawa Rd., Sturgis, MI 49091, (616) 651-2321

Morning Scoping Meeting: October 14, 1998, 9:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m., Sturges-Young Auditorium, 201 North Nottawa Rd., Sturgis, MI 49091, (616) 651-2321

To help focus discussions, we will distribute a Scoping Document (SD) outlining the areas to be addressed at the meetings to the parties on the Commission's mailing list. Copies of the SD also will be available at the scoping meetings.

Objectives

At the scoping meetings, the staff will: (1) summarize the environmental issues tentatively identified for analysis in the EA; (2) solicit from the meeting participants all available information, especially quantifiable data, on the resources at issue; (3) encourage statements on environmental issues that should be analyzed in the EA, including opinions in favor of, or in opposition to, the staff's preliminary list of issues; (4)

determine the depth of analysis for issues addressed in the EA; and (5) identify resource issues that will not require detailed analysis in the EA.

The Scoping meetings will be recorded by a court reporter, and all statements (oral and written) will become part of the Commission's public record for the project. Before each meeting starts, all individuals who attend, especially those individuals that intend to make statements during the meeting, will be asked to sign in and clearly identify themselves for the record prior to speaking. Time allotted for presentations will be determined by staff based on the length of the meetings and the number of people wanting to speak. All individuals wishing to speak will be provided at least five minutes to present their views.

Interested parties who choose not to speak, or are unable to attend the scoping meetings, may provide written comments and information to the Commission until November 13, 1998. Written comments and information should be submitted to the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

The first page of all filings should indicate "Sturgis Hydro Project, FERC No. 2964-006" at the top of the page. All findings sent to the Secretary of the Commission should contain an original and eight copies. Failure to file an original and eight copies may result in appropriate staff not receiving the benefit of your comments in a timely manner. Furthermore, participants in this proceeding are reminded that if they file comments with the Commission, they must serve a copy of their filing to the parties on the Commission's service list.

For further information, please contact Patrick Murphy at (202) 219-2659.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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[Docket No. GT98-92-000]

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company; Notice of Tariff Filing

September 24, 1998.

Take notice that on September 16, 1998, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee), P.O. Box 2511, Houston, Texas 77252, tendered for filing and

Commission approval five discount letter agreements between Tennessee and various FT-A shippers, and Original Sheet No. 413 of Tennessee's FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1. The five discount letter agreements are (1) a Discount Letter Agreement between Tennessee and Duke Energy Trading and Marketing, L.L.C. (Duke) with respect to FT-A Contract Nos. 23613 and 25948; (2) a Discount Letter Agreement between Tennessee and Duke with respect to FT-A Contract Nos. 23603 and 25950; (3) a Discount Letter Agreement between Tennessee and Vastar Resources, Inc. for FT-A Contract Nos. 23483, 26406, 26407, 26408 and 26409; (4) a Discount Letter Agreement between Tennessee and Amoco Energy Trading Corporation for FT-A Contract 23604; and (5) a Discount Letter Agreement between Tennessee and Coral Energy Resources, L.P. for FT-A Contract No. 23606. Tennessee requests an effective date of August 1, 1998 for Original Sheet No. 413.

The five discount letter agreements are being filed as non-conforming service agreements. The tariff sheet references the five agreements as non-conforming service agreements. Tennessee states that it is submitting the discount letter agreements for Commission approval pursuant to Section 154.1(d) of the Commission's Regulations because they contain certain provisions which differ from Tennessee's pro forma FT-A Agreement. Tennessee states that copies of the filing have been mailed to all affected customers and state regulatory commissions.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filings should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-369-001]

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company; Notice of Compliance Filing

September 24, 1998.

Take notice that on September 17, 1998, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee), P.O. Box 2511, Houston, Texas 77252, filed Sixth Revised Sheet No. 305 and Third Revised Sheet No. 399 in compliance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Letter Order issued September 2, 1998 in the above-referenced docket.

Tennessee requests that the revised tariff sheets be deemed effective September 3, 1998.

Tennessee states that on August 3, 1998, it filed certain revised tariff sheets to, among other things, change the name of its software and interactive computer system from the "TENN-SPEED 2 System" to the "System." Tennessee further states that in the September 2nd Letter Order, the Commission accepted the revised tariff sheets, but noted that there were still references to the TENN-SPEED 2 System contained in Tennessee's tariff. The Commission therefore directed Tennessee to revise the tariff sheets listed in Appendix B of the September 2nd Letter Order to reflect the change in name from the TENN-SPEED 2 System to the System.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

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[Docket No. RP98-411-000]

Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

September 24, 1998.

Take notice that on September 18, 1998, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) tendered for filing certain revised tariff sheets to its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, which tariff sheets are enumerated in the filing. The proposed effective date for the tariff sheets is October 20, 1998.

Transco states that the purpose of the instant filing is to comply with the Commission's Order No. 587-H issued July 15, 1998 in Docket No. RM96-1-008 (the Order). The Order amends § 284.10 of the Commission's Regulations to incorporate by reference the most recent standards dealing with intra-day nominations and nomination and scheduling procedures promulgated by the Gas Industry Standards Board on March 12, 1998. Transco requests a waiver of the November 2, 1998 implementation date established by the Order so that the revised tariff sheets can be made effective October 20, 1998.

Transco is serving copies of the instant filing to customers, State Commissions and other interested parties. In accordance with the provisions of Section 154.2(d) of the Commission's Regulations, copies of this filing are available for public inspection, during regular business hours, in a convenient form and place at Transco's main offices at 2800 Post Oak Boulevard in Houston, Texas.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public