

Comment date: March 8, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

10. Louisville Gas and Electric Company

[Docket No. ER96-1096-000]

Take notice that on February 20, 1996, Louisville Gas and Electric Company, tendered for filing copies of a service agreement between Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Koch Power Services Inc. under Rate GSS.

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11. Louisville Gas and Electric Company

[Docket No. ER96-1097-000]

Take notice that on February 20, 1996, Louisville Gas and Electric Company, tendered for filing copies of service agreements between Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Catex Vitrol Electric under Rate GSS.

Comment date: March 8, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

12. Louisville Gas and Electric Company

[Docket No. ER96-1098-000]

Take notice that on February 20, 1996, Louisville Gas and Electric Company, tendered for filing copies of service agreements between Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Noram Energy Services under Rate GSS.

Comment date: March 8, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

13. PECO Energy Company

[Docket No. ER96-1099-000]

Take notice that on February 20, 1996, PECO Energy Company (PECO), filed a Service Agreement dated February 1, 1996, with Commonwealth Edison Company (Commonwealth Edison) under PECO's FERC Electric Tariff Original Volume No. 1 (Tariff). The Service Agreement adds Commonwealth Edison as a customer under the Tariff.

PECO requests an effective date of February 1, 1996, for the Service Agreement.

PECO states that copies of this filing have been supplied to Commonwealth Edison and to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

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14. Illinois Power Company

[Docket No. ER96-1100-000]

Take notice that on February 20, 1996, Illinois Power Company (Illinois

Power), 500 South 27th Street, Decatur, Illinois 62526, tendered for filing firm and non-firm transmission agreements under which MidCon Power Services Corp. will take transmission service pursuant to its open access transmission tariff. The agreements are based on the Form of Service Agreement in Illinois Power's tariff.

Illinois Power has requested an effective date of January 17, 1996.

Comment date: March 8, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

15. John E. Lobbia

[Docket No. ID-2478-001]

Take notice that on December 28, 1995, John E. Lobbia, (Applicant) tendered for filing an application under Section 305(b) of the Federal Power Act to hold the following positions:

Chief Executive Officer, Chairman and Director—Detroit Edison Company
Director—NBD Bank, Detroit

Comment date: March 8, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

16. Terence E. Adderley

[Docket No. ID-2930-000]

Take notice that on December 28, 1995, Terence E. Adderley, (Applicant) tendered for filing an application under Section 305(b) of the Federal Power Act to hold the following positions:

Director—Detroit Edison Company
Director—First Chicago NBD Corporation

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Standard Paragraph

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. 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 proceeding. 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Project No. 2170-003 Alaska]

**Chugach Electric Association, Inc.;
Notice of Availability of Environmental
Assessment**

February 26, 1996.

An environmental assessment (EA) is available for public review. The EA is for an application to amend the license for the Cooper Lake Project. The application is to relocate an approximately 1.7-mile-long section of the project's existing 115-kilovolt transmission line and associated 100-foot-wide right-of-way. The EA finds that approval of the application would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. The Cooper Lake Project is located on Cooper Lake, Cooper Creek, Kenai Lake in the Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska.

The EA was written by staff in the Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Copies of the EA are available for review at the Commission's Reference and Information Center, Room 2-A, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426.

For further information, please contact Jon Cofrancesco at (202) 219-0079.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP96-153-000]

**Southern Natural Gas Company;
Notice of Intent To Prepare an
Environmental Impact Statement for
the Proposed North Alabama Pipeline
Project, Request for Comments on
Environmental Issues, and Notice of
Public Scoping Meeting**

February 26, 1996.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the construction and operation of the facilities proposed in the North Alabama Pipeline Project.¹ This EIS will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether to approve the project.

We are asking a number of Federal agencies to indicate whether they wish

¹ Southern Natural Gas Company's application was filed with the Commissioner under Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations.

to cooperate with us in the preparation of the EIS. These agencies are listed in appendix 1 and may choose to participate once they have evaluated each proposal relative to their agencies' responsibilities.²

Summary of the Proposed Project

Southern Natural Gas Company (Southern) wants to expand the capacity of its facilities in Alabama to transport an additional 76,350 thousand cubic feet per day of natural gas to five local distribution companies. Southern seeks authority to construct and operate:

- About 105 miles of 16-inch-diameter pipeline in Tuscaloosa, Fayette, Walker, Cullman, Morgan, and Madison Counties, Alabama. The proposed pipeline would begin at a tie-in at Southern's existing McConnells Compressor Station in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama, and proceeds northeast to its termination in Madison County, Alabama;

- Two new meter stations: Huntsville Meter Station and North Alabama Gas District Meter Station, both located in Madison County, Alabama;

- About 8.5 miles of 12-inch-diameter lateral and the Decatur Meter Station in Morgan County, Alabama;

- One additional 1,600-horsepower (hp) compressor at Southern's existing McConnells Compressor Station in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama; and
- One additional 4,700-hp compressor at Southern's recently authorized Providence Compressor Station (approved by the Commission in May 1995 in Docket No. CP95-505-000) in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama.

The general location of the project facilities are shown in appendix 2.³

Land Requirements for Construction

Construction of the proposed facilities would require about 935 acres of land. Following construction, about 329 acres would be maintained as new right-of-way. The remaining 606 acres of land would be restored and allowed to revert to its former use.

Southern proposes to use a 70-foot-wide right-of-way in nonagricultural areas; and a 90-foot-wide right-of-way in

agricultural areas. Southern proposes to maintain a 50-foot-wide permanent easement.

The EIS Process

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impacts that could result from an action whenever it considers the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. NEPA also requires us to discover and address concerns the public may have about proposals. We call this "scoping". The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the EIS on the important environmental issues. By this Notice of Intent, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of the issues it will address in the EIS. All comments received are considered during the preparation of the EIS. State and local government representatives are encouraged to notify their constituents of this proposed action and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

The EIS will discuss impacts that could occur as a result of the construction and operation of the proposed project under these general headings:

- Geology and Soils
 - Seismology and soil liquefaction.
 - Hazardous waste.
 - Effect of blasting.
 - Topsoil/subsoil mixing.
 - Soil compaction.
 - Erosion control.
 - Right-of-way restoration.
- Water Resources
 - Groundwater withdrawal and discharge to surrounding surface waters.
 - Directional drilling of the Tennessee River.
 - 128 perennial waterbody crossings, including Sipsey Fork, Lost River, and the North River.
 - Effect on water quality and riparian resources.
- Biological Resources
 - Effect of pipeline construction and operation on wildlife and fisheries habitat.
 - Effect on federally threatened, endangered, or sensitive animal and plant species and their habitats.
 - Effect on forested wetlands and other wetland habitats.
- Cultural Resources
 - Effect on historic and prehistoric sites.
 - Native American and tribal concerns.
- Land Use

- Impact on Wheeler Wildlife Refuge and other areas of critical environmental concern.
- Consistency with local land use plans and zoning.
- Impact on residences and recreation areas.
 - Air Quality and Noise
 - Air quality and noise impacts associated with construction.
- Effect on local and regional air quality and local noise environment as a result of operation of additional compression at the McConnells and Providence Compressor Stations.
 - Reliability and Safety
 - Assessment of hazards associated with natural gas pipelines.

We will also evaluate possible alternatives to the proposed project or portions of the project, and make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid impacts on the various resource areas.

Our independent analysis of the issues will result in the publication of a Draft EIS which will be mailed to Federal, state, and local agencies, public interest groups, interested individuals, affected landowners, newspapers, libraries, and the Commission's official service list for these proceedings. A 45-day comment period will be allocated for the review of the Draft EIS. We will consider all comments on the Draft EIS and revise the document, as necessary, before issuing a Final EIS. The Final EIS will include our response to each comment received.

Currently Identified Environmental Issues

We have already identified several issues that we think deserve attention based on a preliminary review of the proposed facilities and the environmental information provided by Southern. Keep in mind that this is a preliminary list:

- Twenty-three federally listed endangered or threatened species may occur in the proposed project area.
 - About 33 acres of forested wetlands would be affected.
 - About 128 perennial streams, several over 50 feet-wide, would be crossed by the proposed project.
 - About 391 acres of upland forest would be affected.
 - The proposed pipeline crosses the Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge (Tennessee River) from mileposts (MP) 107.81 to 108.72.
 - Nineteen residences are located within 50 feet of the proposed construction right-of-way.
- The list of issues may be added to, subtracted from, or changed based on your comments and our analysis.

²The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the Federal Register. Copies are available from the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426 or call (202) 208-1371. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail.

³The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the Federal Register. Copies are available from the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, or call (202) 208-1371. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail.

Two nonjurisdictional small-diameter pipeline laterals are associated with this proposal. These laterals would service the municipal of Decatur and Huntsville, Alabama. We have determined that those facilities will be included in the environmental document.

Public Participation/Scoping Meeting

You can make a difference by sending a letter addressing your specific comments or concerns about the project. You should focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal, alternatives to the proposal (including alternative routes), and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impact. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. Please follow the instructions below to ensure that your comments are received and properly recorded:

- Address your letter to: Lois Cashell, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426;
- Reference Docket No. CP96-153-000;
- Send a copy of your letter to: Ms. Alisa Lykens, EIS Project Manager, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., N.E., PR 11.1, Washington, D.C. 20426; and
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, D.C. on or before April 5, 1996.

Beyond asking for written comments, we invite you to attend our public scoping meeting that will be held on Monday, April 1, 1996 at 7:00 p.m., at the Sheraton Airport Inn, 1000 Glenn Hearn Blvd., Huntsville, Alabama 35824, (205) 772-9661.

The purpose of the scoping meeting is to obtain input from state and local governments and from the public. Federal agencies have formal channels for input into the Federal process (including separate meetings where appropriate) on an interagency basis. Federal agencies are expected to transmit their comments directly to the FERC and not use the scoping meetings for this purpose.

Southern will be invited to present a description of its proposal at the scoping meeting. Interested groups and individuals are encouraged to attend the meeting and present oral comments on the environmental issues which they believe should be addressed in the Draft EIS. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. Anyone who would like to make an oral presentation at the meeting should contact the EIS Project Manager identified at the end of this notice to have his or her name placed on the list

of speakers. Priority will be given to those persons representing groups. A list will be available at the public meeting to allow for non-preregistered speakers to sign up. A transcript will be made of the meeting and comments will be used to help determine the scope of the Draft EIS.

Becoming an Intervenor

In addition to involvement in the EIS scoping process, you may want to become an official party to the proceeding or become an "intervenor". Among other things, intervenors have the right to receive copies of case-related Commission documents and filings by other intervenors. Likewise, each intervenor must provide copies of its filings to all other parties. If you want to become an intervenor you must file a motion to intervene according to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214) (see appendix 3).

The date for filing timely motions to intervene in this proceeding has passed. Therefore, parties now seeking to file late interventions must show good cause, as required by § 385.214(b)(3), why this time limitation should be waived. Environmental issues have been viewed as good cause for late intervention. You do not need intervenor status to have your scoping comments considered.

Environmental Mailing List

This notice is being sent to individuals, organizations, and government entities interested and/or potentially affected by the proposed project. It is also being sent to all potential right-of-way grantors to solicit focused comments regarding environmental considerations related to the proposed project.⁴ As details of the project become established, representatives of Southern will directly contact landowners, communities, and public agencies concerning any other matters, including acquisition of permits and rights-of-way.

If you do not want to send comments at this time but still want to keep informed and receive copies of the Draft and Final EISs, please return the Information Request (appendix 4). If you do not return the Information Request you will be taken off the mailing list.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from Ms.

⁴ Southern has supplied a preliminary landowner list. This list is based on the ownership of the land containing the existing right-of-way. A supplemental mailing will be made, if necessary, after the route has been surveyed.

Alisa Lykens, EIS Project Manager, at (202) 208-0766.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Project Nos. 10773-015, et al.]

Hydroelectric Applications [Alaska Aquaculture, Inc. et al.]; Notice of Applications

Take notice that the following hydroelectric applications have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection:

- 1 a. Type of Application: Amendment of license.
- b. Project No: 10773-015.
- c. Date Filed: Original date: March 13, 1995. Supplemental date: February 8, 1996.
- d. Applicant: Alaska Aquaculture, Inc.
- e. Name of Project: Burnett River Hatchery.
- f. Location: First Judicial District Alaska.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. Section 791(a)-825(r).
- h. Applicant Contact: Mr. Tod Jones, Box 830, 730 Case Ave., Suite C, Wrangell, AK 99929, (907) 874-2250.
- i. FERC Contact: Susan Tseng, (202) 219-2798.
- j. Comment Date: April 3, 1996.
- k. Description of Project: Alaska Aquaculture has filed an application to approve revised exhibit G drawings for the Burnett River Hatchery. The revised exhibit G drawings show a change in project boundary for the project. The amount of federal lands within the project boundary for the project would decrease from 550 acres to 170 acres.
- l. This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs: B, C1, and D2.
- 2 a. Type of filing: Notice of Intent to File Application for New License.
- b. Project No.: 2060.
- c. Date filed: January 22, 1996.
- d. Submitted By: Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, current licensee.
- e. Name of Project: Carry Falls.
- f. Location: On the Raquette River, in the Town of Colton, St. Lawrence County, New York.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Section 15 of the Federal Power Act, 18 CFR 16.6 of the Commission's regulations.
- h. Effective date of original license: February 1, 1951.
- i. Expiration date of original license: January 31, 2001.
- j. The project consists of: (1) a 76-foot-high, 830-foot-long concrete gravity-type