Docket Numbers: OA07-3-001.

Applicants: Tampa Electric Company.

Description: Tampa Electric Company submits First Revised Sheet 81 et al. to FERC Electric Tariff, Third Revised Volume 4, to be effective 8/1/07.

Filed Date: 08/21/2007.

Accession Number: 20070823-0028.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, September 11, 2007.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. It is not necessary to separately intervene again in a subdocket related to a compliance filing if you have previously intervened in the same docket. 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. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. In reference to filings initiating a new proceeding, interventions or protests submitted on or before the comment deadline need not be served on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at http://www.ferc.gov. To facilitate electronic service, persons with Internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St. NE., Washington, DC 20426

The filings in the above proceedings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. or

call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

#### Nathaniel J. Davis Sr.,

Acting Deputy Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 906-006]

### Virginia Electric & Power Company; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

August 23, 2007.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47879), the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the application for a new license for the Cushaw Hydroelectric Project, located on the James River, near the Town of Glasgow, Virginia, and has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA). In the EA, Commission staff, analyze potential environmental effects of relicensing the project and conclude that issuing a new license for the project, with appropriate environmental measures, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the EA is on file with the Commission and is available for public inspection. The EA may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov">http://www.ferc.gov</a> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at 1–866–208–3676, or for TTY,

(202) 502-8659.

Any comments should be filed within 30 days from the issuance date of this notice, and should be addressed to the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Room 1–A, Washington, DC 20426. Please affix "Cushaw Project No. 906–006" to all comments. Comments may be filed electronically via Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "eFiling" link. For further

information, contact Kristen Murphy at (202) 502–6236.

#### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PF07-10-000]

LNG Development Company, LLC and Oregon Pipeline Company; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Oregon LNG Terminal and Pipeline Project, Request for Comments on Environmental Issues and Notice of Public Meetings

August 24, 2007.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Coast Guard (Coast Guard) are in the process of evaluating the Oregon LNG Terminal and Pipeline Project involving the construction and operation of facilities proposed by LNG Development Company, LLC and Oregon Pipeline Company (collectively referred to as Oregon LNG). The facilities would be located in northern Oregon and consist of a liquefied natural gas (LNG) import terminal in Warrenton, Oregon, and an associated 117-mile-long natural gas pipeline from the LNG import terminal southeastward across Clatsop, Washington, Yamhill, Marion, and Clackamas Counties, Oregon, to an interconnection with the existing Williams Northwest Pipeline system near Molalla, Oregon.

As a part of this evaluation, FERC staff will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) that will address the environmental impacts of the project and the Coast Guard will assess the safety and security of the project. As described below, the FERC and the Coast Guard will hold a joint public meeting to allow the public to provide input to these assessments.

The Commission will use the EIS in its decision-making process to determine whether or not to authorize the project. This Notice of Intent (NOI) explains the scoping process we <sup>1</sup> will use to gather information on the project from the public and interested agencies and summarizes the process that the Coast Guard will use. Your input will

<sup>1 &</sup>quot;We," "us," and "our" refer to the environmental staff of the FERC's Office of Emergy Projects.

help identify the issues that need to be evaluated in the EIS and in the Coast Guard's safety and security assessment.

The FERC will be the lead federal agency in the preparation of an EIS that will satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The Coast Guard will serve as a cooperating agency during preparation of the EIS. In addition, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Marine Fisheries Service; the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service; and the Oregon Department of Energy have been requested to serve as cooperating agencies in preparation of the EIS.

Comments on the project may be submitted in written form or verbally. Further details on how to submit written comments are provided in the Public Participation section of this NOI. In lieu of sending written comments, we invite you to attend the public scoping meetings scheduled as follows:

## Tuesday, September 18, 2007, 7:00 p.m.

Warrenton High School Gymnasium, 1700 SE Main Street, Warrenton, OR 97146, telephone: 503–861–3317 (contact: Rod Heyen).

# Wednesday, September 19, 2007, 7:00 p.m.

Forest Grove Armory, 2950 Taylor Way, Forest Grove, OR 97116–1541, telephone: 971–219–7297 (contact: Steve Johnson).

# Thursday, September 20, 2007, 7:00 p.m.

Woodburn City Council Chambers, 270 Montgomery St., Woodburn, OR 97071, telephone: 503–982–5228 (contact: Jan Clay).

The first public scoping meeting listed above (Warrenton) will be combined with the Coast Guard's public meeting regarding the maritime safety and security of the project. At the meeting, the Coast Guard will discuss: (1) The waterway suitability assessment that the applicant will conduct to determine whether or not the waterway can safely accommodate the LNG carrier traffic and operation of the planned LNG marine terminal; and (2) the facility security assessment that the applicant will conduct in accordance with the regulations of the Maritime Transportation Security Act to assist with the preparation of a Facility Security Plan.

The Čoast Guard is responsible for matters related to navigation safety, vessel engineering and safety standards, and all matters pertaining to the safety of facilities or equipment located in or adjacent to navigable waters up to the last valve immediately before the receiving tanks. The Coast Guard also has authority for LNG facility security plan review, approval, and compliance verification as provided in Title 33 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 105, and recommendation for siting as it pertains to the management of vessel traffic in and around the LNG facility.

Upon receipt of a Letter of Intent from an owner or operator intending to build a new LNG facility, the Coast Guard Captain of the Port conducts an analysis based on:

- The physical location and layout of the facility and its berthing and mooring arrangements;
- The LNG vessels' characteristics and the frequency of LNG shipments to the facility;
- Commercial, industrial, environmentally sensitive, and residential areas in and adjacent to the waterway used by the LNG vessels en route to the facility;
- Density and character of the marine traffic on the waterway;
- Bridges or other man-made obstructions in the waterway;
  - Depth of water;
  - Tidal range;
- Natural hazards, including rocks and sandbars;
- Underwater pipelines and cables;
- Distance of berthed LNG vessels from the channel, and the width of the channel.

This analysis results in a Letter of Recommendation issued to the owner or operator and to the state and local governments having jurisdiction, addressing the suitability of the waterway to accommodate LNG vessels, as prescribed by 33 CFR 127.009.

In addition, the Coast Guard will review and approve the facility's operations manual and emergency response plan (33 CFR 127.019), as well as the facility's security plan (33 CFR 105.410). The Coast Guard will also provide input to other federal, state, and local government agencies reviewing the project.

In order to complete a thorough analysis and fulfill the regulatory mandates cited above, the applicant will be conducting a Waterway Suitability Assessment (WSA), a formal risk assessment evaluating the various safety and security aspects associated with the Oregon LNG Terminal and Pipeline Project. This risk assessment will be accomplished through a series of workshops focusing on the areas of

waterways safety, port security, and consequence management, with involvement from a broad cross-section of government and port stakeholders with expertise in each of the respective areas. The workshops will be by invitation only. However, comments received during the public comment period will be considered as input in the risk assessment process. The results of the WSA will be submitted to the Coast Guard to be used in determining whether the waterway is suitable for LNG traffic.

This NOI is being sent to federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; affected landowners; environmental and public interest groups; Indian tribes and regional Native American organizations; commentors and other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. We encourage government representatives to notify their constituents of this planned project and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

## **Summary of the Proposed Project**

Oregon LNG proposes to construct and operate an LNG import terminal and storage facility, and associated natural gas sendout pipeline with a capacity to deliver up to 1.5 billion cubic feet per day. More specifically, Oregon LNG proposes the following primary project components:

- A marine facility, including LNG unloading equipment and one ship berth capable of handling about 150 LNG carrier ships per year (the capacity of the ships could range from 70,000 to 260,000 cubic meters (m³) per ship);
- Interconnecting facilities including piping, electrical, and control systems;
- An LNG spill containment and collection system;
- Three full containment LNG storage tanks, each with a nominal usable storage capacity of 160,000 m³;
- Vapor handling, re-gasification, and sendout systems;
- Utilities, telecommunications, and other supporting systems;
- Administrative, control room, warehouse, security, and other buildings and enclosures;
- Interconnecting roadways and civil works; and
- A 117-mile-long, 30 to 36-inchdiameter natural gas sendout pipeline extending from the LNG terminal to the interconnection with the existing interstate natural gas pipeline system operated by Williams Northwest Pipeline.

A location map depicting Oregon LNG's proposed facilities is attached to this NOI as Appendix 1.<sup>2</sup>

### The EIS Process

NEPA requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impacts that could result from an action when it considers whether or not an LNG import terminal or an interstate natural gas pipeline should be approved. The FERC will use the EIS to consider the environmental impacts that could result if it issues project authorizations to Oregon LNG under sections 3 and 7 of the Natural Gas Act. In addition, the Coast Guard will use the EIS to determine if a Letter of Recommendation should be issued, with or without conditions, under 33 CFR § 127.009. NEPA also requires us to discover and address concerns the public may have about proposals. This process is referred to as "scoping." The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the EIS on the important environmental issues. With this NOI, the Commission staff is requesting public comments on the scope of the issues to be addressed in the EIS. All comments received will be considered during preparation of the

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

- Geology and soils.
- Water resources.
- Aquatic resources.
- Vegetation and wildlife.
- Threatened and endangered pecies.
- Land use, recreation, and visual resources.
  - Cultural resources.
  - · Socioeconomics.
  - Marine transportation.
  - Air quality and noise.
  - Reliability and safety.
  - Cumulative impacts.

In the EIS, 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 affected resources.

Our independent analysis of the issues will be included in a draft EIS.

The draft EIS will be mailed to federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; affected landowners; environmental and public interest groups; Indian tribes and regional Native American organizations; commentors; other interested parties; local libraries and newspapers; and the FERC's official service list for this proceeding. A 45-day comment period will be allotted for 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. We will consider all comments on the final EIS before we make our recommendations to the Commission. To ensure that your comments are considered, please follow the instructions in the Public Participation section of this NOI.

Although no formal application has been filed, the FERC staff has already initiated its NEPA review under its prefiling process. The purpose of the prefiling process is to encourage early involvement of interested stakeholders and to identify and resolve issues before an application is filed with the FERC. In addition, the Coast Guard, which would be responsible for reviewing the safety and security aspects of the planned project and regulating safety and security if the project is approved, has initiated its review of the project as well.

With this NOI, we are asking federal, state, and local agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues, in addition to those agencies that have already agreed to serve as cooperating agencies (as noted above), to formally cooperate with us in the preparation of the EIS. These agencies may choose to participate once they have evaluated the proposal relative to their responsibilities. Additional agencies that would like to request cooperating agency status should follow the instructions for filing comments provided under the Public Participation section of this NOI.

# **Currently Identified Environmental Issues**

We have already identified issues that we think deserve attention based on our previous experience with similar projects in the region. This preliminary list of issues, which is presented below, may be revised based on your comments and our continuing analyses specific to the Oregon LNG Terminal and Pipeline Project.

• Impact of LNG vessel traffic on other users, including commercial ships, fishing, and recreational boaters on the lower Columbia River.

- Potential impacts of dredging the turning basin and LNG ship dock on water quality and estuarine fishery resources.
- Potential impacts of the LNG terminal on residents in Warrenton and the surrounding area, including safety issues at the import and storage facility, noise, air quality, and visual resources.
- Potential for geological hazards, including seismic activity, to have impacts on both the proposed LNG import terminal and sendout pipeline.
- Potential impacts of the pipeline on waterbodies and wetlands, including issues of erosion control.
- Potential impacts of the pipeline on vegetation, including the clearing of forested areas.
- Potential impacts of the pipeline on threatened and endangered species and wildlife habitat.
- Potential impacts of the pipeline on cultural resources.

## **Public Participation**

You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the Oregon LNG Terminal and Pipeline Project. By becoming a commentor, your concerns will be addressed in the EIS and considered by the Commission. Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives (including alternative facility sites and pipeline routes), and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. To ensure that your comments are timely and properly recorded, please follow these instructions:

- Send an original and two copies of your letter to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.
- Label one copy of your comments for the attention of OEP/DG2E/Gas Branch 2, PJ-11.2.
- Reference Docket No. PF07–10–000 on the original and both copies.
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC, on or before September 24, 2007.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing of any comments in response to this NOI. For information on electronically filing comments, please see the instructions on the Commission's Web site at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov">http://www.ferc.gov</a> under the "e-Filing" link and the link to the User's Guide as well as information in 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii). Before you can file comments you will need to create a free

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the **Federal Register**. Copies are available on the Commission's Web site (excluding maps) at the "e-Library" link or from the Commission's Public Reference Room or call (202) 501–8371. For instructions on connecting to e-Library refer to the end of this notice. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail.

account, which can be accomplished on-line.

The public scoping meetings (dates, times, and locations listed above) are designed to provide another opportunity to offer comments on the proposed project. Interested groups and individuals are encouraged to attend the meetings and to present comments on the environmental issues that they believe should be addressed in the EIS. A transcript of the meetings will be generated so that your comments will be accurately recorded.

Once Oregon LNG formally files its application with the Commission, you may want to become an "intervenor," which is an official party to the proceeding. Intervenors play a more formal role in the process and are able to file briefs, appear at hearings, and be heard by the courts if they choose to appeal the Commission's final ruling. An intervenor formally participates in a Commission proceeding by filing a request to intervene. Instructions for becoming an intervenor are included in the User's Guide under the "e-filing" link on the Commission's Web site. Please note that you may not request intervenor status at this time. You must wait until a formal application is filed with the Commission.

### **Environmental Mailing List**

If you wish to remain on the environmental mailing list, please return the attached Mailing List Retention Form (Appendix 2 of this NOI). If you do not return this form, we will remove your name from our mailing list.

### **Additional Information**

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at 1-866-208-FERC (3372), or on the FERC Internet Web site (http:// www.ferc.gov) using the "eLibrary link." Click on the eLibrary link, select "General Search" and enter the project docket number, excluding the last three digits (i.e., PF07-10) in the "Docket Number" field. Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance with eLibrary, the eLibrary helpline can be reached at 1–866–208– 3676, TTY (202) 502-8659, or by e-mail at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. The eLibrary link on the FERC Web site also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rule makings

In addition, the FERC now offers a free service called eSubscription that allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. 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. To register for this service, go to <a href="http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm">http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm</a>.

Public meetings or site visits will be posted on the Commission's calendar located at http://www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx along with other related information.

Finally, Oregon LNG has established an Web site for this project at http://www.oregonlng.com. The Web site includes a project overview, status, potential impacts and mitigation, and answers to frequently asked questions. You can also request additional information by calling Oregon LNG directly at 503–298–4969, or by sending an e-mail to info@OregonLNG.com.

### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. DI07-11-000]

## Bangor Water District; Notice of Declaration of Intention and Soliciting Comments, Protests, and/or Motions To Intervene

August 22, 2007.

Take notice that the following application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

- a. *Application Type:* Declaration of Intention.
- b. Docket No.: DI07-11-000.
- c. Date Filed: July 24, 2007.
- d. Applicant: Bangor Water District.
- e. *Name of Project:* Bangor Water District Hydropower Project.
- f. Location: The proposed Bangor Water District Hydropower Project will be located in the District's existing water transmission pipe, in Penobscot County, near Bangor, Maine.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Section 23(b)(1) of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 817(b).
- h. Applicant Contact: Kathy Moriarty, General Manager, Bangor Water District, P.O. Box 1129, 614 State Street, Bangor, ME 04402–1129; telephone: (207) 947–4516; e-mail: http://moriarty@bangorwater.org.
- i. FERC Contact: Any questions on this notice should be addressed to

Henry Ecton, (202) 502–8768, or e-mail address: henry.ecton@ferc.gov.

j. Deadline for filing comments, protests, and/or motions: September 24, 2007.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments, protests, and/or interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov">http://www.ferc.gov</a> under the "e-Filing link."

Please include the docket number (DI07–11–000) on any comments, protests, and/or motions filed.

k. Description of Project: The proposed Bangor Water District Hydropower Project will include: (1) Two 36-inch-diameter, one-mile-long water intake pipes, connected to a water treatment plant; (2) a 30-inch, 15-milelong reinforced concrete pipe from the water treatment plant to a point under the Penobscot River, where it splits into two 24-inch reinforced concrete water pipes; (3) a 75-kW Canyon turbine/ generator horizontal shaft unit, which will be installed in one of the 24-inch pipes, replacing a pressure reducing valve; (4) the two pipes rejoin, forming a 30-inch main, which conveys water to storage tanks for distribution into the Bangor water system; and (5) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project will not occupy any tribal or federal lands.

When a Declaration of Intention is filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Federal Power Act requires the Commission to investigate and determine if the interests of interstate or foreign commerce would be affected by the project. The Commission also determines whether or not the project: (1) Would be located on a navigable waterway; (2) would occupy or affect public lands or reservations of the United States; (3) would utilize surplus water or water power from a government dam; or (4) if applicable, has involved or would involve any construction subsequent to 1935 that may have increased or would increase the project's head or generating capacity, or have otherwise significantly modified the project's pre-1935 design or operation.

l. Locations of the Application: Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the Web at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov">http://www.ferc.gov</a> using the "eLibrary" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions. For assistance, please contact FERC Online