

- Impacts on prehistoric and historic sites.
- Native American concerns.
 - Land Use
- Impacts on 158 acres of planted pine.
- Impacts on residential area.
- Visual effect of the aboveground facilities on surrounding areas.
- Impacts on 4 residences within 50 feet of the proposed construction work area.
 - Air and Noise Quality
- Impacts on local air and noise environment as a result of the operation of the new compressor upgrades.
 - Alternatives
- Evaluate possible alternatives to the proposed projects or portions of the projects, and make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid impacts on the various resource areas.
 - Nonjurisdictional Facilities
- Consideration of effects of construction of the associated facilities that may be constructed by SCS and SCPC, including the planned Goat Rock and Autaguaville Power Plants, and those associated laterals and meter stations which are planned to interconnect to Southern's facilities proposed herein.

Public Participation

You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the project. By becoming a commentor, your concerns will be addressed in the EA and considered by the Commission. You should focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal, alternatives to the proposal (including alternative [locations/routes]), and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impact. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send two copies of your letter to: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., N.E., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of Gas 1.
- Reference Docket No. CP00–233–000.
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before July 3, 2000.

Becoming an Intervenor

In addition to involvement in the EA scoping process, you may want to become an official party to the proceeding known as an "intervenor".

Intervenors play a more formal role in the process. 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 14 copies of its filings to the Secretary of the Commission and must send a copy of its filings to all other parties on the Commission's service list for this proceeding. 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 2). Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision.

Affected landowners and parties with environmental concerns be granted intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have a clear and direct interest in this proceeding which would not be adequately represented by any other parties. You do not need intervenor status to have your environmental comments considered.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from Mr. Paul McKee of the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (202) 208–1088 or on the FERC website (www.ferc.fed.us) using the "RIMS" link to information in this docket number. Click on the "RIMS" link select "Docket #" from the RIMS Menu, and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to RIMS, the RIMS helpline can be reached at (202) 208–2222.

Similarly, the "CIPS" link of the FERC Internet website provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings. From the FERC Internet website, click on the "CIPS" link, select "Docket #" from the CIPS menu, and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to CIPS, the CIPS helpline can be reached at (202) 208–2474.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP00–47–000]

Trans-Union Interstate Pipeline, L.P., Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Trans-Union Interstate Pipeline Project

June 2, 2000.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) on the natural gas pipeline facilities proposed by Trans-Union Interstate Pipeline, L.P. (Trans-Union) in the above referenced docket.

The EA was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The staff concludes that approval of the proposed project, with appropriate mitigating measures, would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The EA assesses the environmental effects of the construction and operation of the proposed facilities in Claiborne and Union Parishes, Louisiana and Union County, Arkansas. These facilities would consist of about 41.7 miles of 30-inch-diameter pipeline, two mainline valves, and launcher/receiver facilities at the beginning and end of the pipeline.

The pipeline would supply 430,000 decatherms per day of natural gas to the planned nonjurisdictional electric power generation facility being developed by Union Power Partners (UPP) in Union County, Arkansas. In addition, Gulf States Pipeline Company plans to construct about 30.4 miles of 16- and 20-inch-diameter pipeline in Louisiana under section 311(a)(2) of the Natural Gas Policy Act which would provide a secondary supply as well as serve other customers.

The EA has been placed in the public files of the FERC. A limited number of copies of the EA are available for distribution and public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 208–1371. copies of the EA have been mailed to Federal, state and local agencies, public interest groups, interested individuals, newspapers, and parties to this proceeding.

Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. To ensure consideration prior to a Commission decision on the proposal, it is important that we receive your comments before

the date specified below. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send two copies of your comments to: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., N.E., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426;
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of the Gas Group 1, PJ-11.1;
- Reference Docket No. CP00-47-000; and
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before July 3, 2000.

Comments will be considered by the Commission but will not serve to make the commentor a party to the proceeding. Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214). Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision.

Affected landowners and parties with environmental concerns may be granted intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have a clear and direct interest in this proceeding which would not be adequately represented by any other parties. You do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from Mr. Paul McKee of the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (202) 208-1088 or on the FERC website (www.ferc.fed.us) using the "RIMS" link to information in this docket number. Click on the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" from the RIMS Menu, and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to RIMS, the RIMS helpline can be reached at (202) 208-2222.

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David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP00-82-000]

Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc.; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Pleasant Hill Pipeline Project

June 2, 2000.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) on the natural gas pipeline facilities proposed by Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc. (Williams) in the above-referenced docket. The proposed project would include the construction and operation of approximately 1.5 miles of 24-inch-diameter pipeline; and 2,890-horsepower (hp) of compression at an existing compressor station; and the conversion of the regulatory authority of an 800-hp compressor unit at an existing compressor station from Natural Gas Policy Act (NGPA) Section 311 to Natural Gas Act (NGA) Part 284 service.

The EA was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The staff concludes that approval of the proposed project, with appropriate mitigating measures, would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

Williams proposes to build new pipeline and compression facilities to expand the capacity of its system in Kansas and Missouri. The new facilities would enable Williams to transport an additional 44,200 Dekatherms per day (Dth/d) of natural gas in the winter and an additional 88,200 Dth/d of natural gas in the summer.

The EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the following proposed natural gas transmission facilities:

- About 1.5 miles of 24-inch-diameter pipeline from the Ottawa Compressor Station to the Ottawa Crossover in Franklin County, Kansas;
- Two upgraded compressor units: from 1,350-hp each to 2,000-hp each at the existing Peculiar Compressor Station in Cass County, Missouri; and
- One 1,590-hp turbine compressor at the Peculiar Compressor Station.

The EA has been placed in the public files of the FERC. A limited number of copies of the EA are available for distribution and public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference and Files Maintenance

Branch, 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 208-1371.

Copies of the EA have been mailed to Federal, state and local agencies, public interest groups, affected landowners, interested individuals, newspapers, and parties to this proceeding.

Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. To ensure consideration prior to a Commission decision on the proposal, it is important that we receive your comments before the date specified below. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send two copies of your comments to: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., N.E., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426;
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of the Gas/Hydro Group, PJ-11.3;
- Reference Docket No. CP00-082-000; and
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before July 1, 2000.

Comments will be considered by the Commission but will not serve to make the commentor a party to the proceeding. Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214).

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 section 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 comments considered.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from Paul McKee in the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (202) 208-1088 or on the FERC Internet website (www.ferc.fed.us) using the "RIMS" link to information this docket number. Click on the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" from the RIMS Menu, and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to RIMS, the RIMS helpline can be reached at (202) 208-2222. Similarly, the "CIPS" link on the FERC Internet website provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings. From the FERC Internet website, click on the "CIPS" link, select "Docket #" from the CIPS menu, and follow the instructions. For