

transportation routes (e.g., train traffic to supply coal);

(4) Solid Waste: pollution prevention and waste management practices, including solid waste impacts, caused by the generation, treatment, transport, storage, and disposal of solid wastes;

(5) Construction: impacts associated with noise, traffic patterns, and construction-related emissions;

(6) Visual: impacts associated with a new stack that is taller than existing structures at Northside Generating Station;

(7) Floodplains: potential impacts (e.g., impeding floodwaters, re-directing floodwaters, on-site and off-site property damage) of siting new buildings and infrastructure within floodplain and hurricane storm surge areas;

(8) Wetlands: potential reduction of wetlands due to new construction (e.g., construction associated with feedstock transport infrastructure);

(9) Community Impacts: impacts on public safety related to fire and emergency vehicle access to the Northside community of Jacksonville; impacts to local traffic patterns resulting from rail traffic; socioeconomic impacts on public services and infrastructure (e.g., police protection, schools, and utilities); noise associated with project operation; environmental justice with respect to the surrounding community; and

(10) Cumulative effects that result from the incremental impacts of the proposed project when added to other past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions (e.g., incremental discharge of cooling water affecting aquatic biota).

Public Scoping Process

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposal are addressed, DOE will conduct an open process to define the scope of the EIS. The public scoping period will run until December 31, 1997. Interested agencies, organizations, and the general public are encouraged to submit comments or suggestions concerning the content of the EIS, issues and impacts to be addressed in the EIS, and the alternatives that should be analyzed.

Scoping comments should clearly describe specific issues or topics that the EIS should address in order to assist DOE in identifying significant issues. Written, e-mailed, faxed, or telephoned comments should be communicated by December 31, 1997 (see **ADDRESSES**).

In addition, a public scoping meeting to be conducted by DOE will be held in the In-Plant Conference Room at the Northside Generating Station on

December 3, 1997, at 7 p.m. The address of the Northside Generating Station is 4377 Heckscher Drive, Jacksonville, Florida. DOE requests that anyone who wishes to speak at this public scoping meeting contact Dr. Jan Wachter, either by phone, fax, computer, or in writing (see **ADDRESSES** in this Notice).

Individuals who do not make advance arrangements to speak may register at the meeting and will be given the opportunity to speak after all previously scheduled speakers have made their presentations. Speakers who wish to make presentations longer than five minutes should indicate the length of time desired in their request. Depending on the number of speakers, it may be necessary to limit speakers to five minute presentations initially, with the opportunity for additional presentation as time permits. Speakers can also provide additional written information to supplement their presentations. Oral and written comments will be given equal weight.

DOE will begin the meeting with an overview of the proposed CFB combustor project. A presiding officer will be designated by DOE to chair the meeting. The meeting will not be conducted as an evidentiary hearing, and speakers will not be cross-examined. However, speakers may be asked to clarify their statements to ensure that DOE fully understands the comments or suggestions. The presiding officer will establish the order of speakers and provide, any additional procedures necessary to conduct the meeting.

Issued in Washington, D.C., this 6th day of November, 1997.

Peter N. Brush,

Acting Assistant Secretary, Environment, Safety and Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[FERC-512]

Information Collection Submitted for Review and Request For Comments

November 6, 1997.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of submission for review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Regulatory Commission (Commission) has

submitted the energy information collection listed in this notice to Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review under provisions of Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13). Any interested person may file comments on the collection of information directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below. The Commission received no comments in response to an earlier **Federal Register** notice of May 28, 1997 (62 FR 28844) and has made this notation in its submission to OMB.

DATES: Comments regarding this collection of information are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification.

ADDRESSES: Address comments to Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Desk Officer, 726 Jackson Place, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20503. A copy of the comments should also be sent to Federal Energy regulatory Commission, Division of Information Services, Attention: Mr. Michael Miller, 888 First Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael P. Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208-1415, by fax at (202) 273-0873, and by e-mail at mmiller@ferc.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description

The energy information collection submitted to OMB for review contains:

1. *Collection of Information:* FERC-512 "Application for Preliminary Permit"

2. *Sponsor:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

3. *Control No.:* OMB No. 1902-0073. The Commission is now requesting that OMB approve a three-year extension of the current expiration date, with no changes to the existing collection. There is a decrease in the reporting burden due to a decrease in the number of applicants filing with the Commission. These are mandatory collection requirements.

4. *Necessity of Collection of Information:* Submission of the information is necessary to enable the Commission to carry out its responsibilities in implementing the provisions of the Federal Power Act (FPA). The information reported under Commission identifier FERC-512 is filed in accordance with Sections 4(f), 5, 7, (FPA). The Part I of the FPA gives the Commission authority to issue licenses

for hydroelectric projects on the waters over which Congress has jurisdiction. The purpose of obtaining a preliminary permit is to maintain priority status for an application for a license, while the applicant conducts site examinations and surveys and to prepare maps, plans, specifications and estimates. The Commission's staff use the information collected under FERC-512 to conduct research on the jurisdictional aspects of the project. The research includes a determination of the applicant's qualifications to hold a preliminary permit, a review of the proposed hydro development for feasibility and to issue public notice of the application to solicit public and agency comments.

5. Respondent Description: The respondent universe currently comprises on average, 45 applicants for an application for a hydroelectric preliminary permit.

6. Estimated Burden: 3,285 total burden hours, 6 respondents, 1 response annually, 73 hours per response (average).

7. Estimated Cost Burden to Respondents: 3,285 hours ÷ 2,087 hours per year × \$110,000 per year = \$173,142.

Statutory Authority: Sections 4(f), 5, 7 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C. Sections 791a *et seq.*

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-153-008]

Granite State Gas Transmission, Inc., Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

November 6, 1997.

Take notice that on November 3, 1997, Granite State Gas Transmission, Inc. (Granite State) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, the revised tariff sheets listed below, to become effective November 1, 1997:

Fourth Revised Sheet No. 215
Fourth Revised Sheet No. 289

Granite State Asserts that the tariff sheets are in compliance with the Director letter order issued in this proceeding on October 30, 1997. Further Granite State asserts that, it has submitted prior tariff filings with the Commission adopting and making effective as of November 1, 1997 certain Gas Industry Standard Board's (GISB)

requirements related to Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) and Electronic Delivery Mechanism (EDM). Granite State asserts that complications and delays have occurred in establishing computer capability to implement the GISB EDI/EDM standards and requirements in Granite State's operations. Accordingly, Granite State further requests an extension until December 31, 1997 to comply with the EDI/EDM requirements and the foregoing tariff sheets remove from the tariff those requirements until Granite State has the capability to comply with them.

Granite State states that copies of its filing were served on its firm and interruptible customers, the regulatory agencies of the states of Maine, Massachusetts and New Hampshire, and the intervenor in Docket No. RP07-137-000.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., 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 proceeding. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-154-008]

Koch Gateway Pipeline Company; Notice of Compliance Filing

November 6, 1997.

Take notice that on November 3, 1997, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company (Koch) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, to become effective November 1, 1997: Substitute Fourth Revised Sheet No. 802 Second Revised Sheet No. 2401

Koch states that this filing is being submitted in compliance with OPR Letter Order dated October 22, 1997. Koch revised its tariff to reflect GISB

November 1, 1997, Standards, as directed by the Commission.

Koch also states that it has served copies of this filing upon each person designated on the official service list as compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's rules and regulations. All such protests must be filed as provided by Section 154.210 of the Commission's rules and 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 proceeding. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-373-000]

Koch Gateway Pipeline Company; Notice of Informal Settlement Conference

November 6, 1997.

Take notice that an informal settlement conference will be convened in this proceeding on November 19, 1997, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C., for the purpose of exploring the possible settlement of the above-referenced docket.

Any party, as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(c), or any participant as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(b), is invited to attend. Persons wishing to become a party must move to intervene and receive intervenor status pursuant to the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 385.214).

For additional information, contact Edith A. Gilmore at (202) 208-2158 or Sandra J. Delude at (202) 208-0583.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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