

treatment plant located on the Pantex Plant in Carson County, 17 miles northeast of Amarillo, Texas, in accordance with 10 CFR part 1022, Compliance with Floodplain/Wetlands Environmental Review Requirements. A floodplain and wetlands assessment was conducted that evaluated the potential impacts of this project. The floodplain and wetlands assessment describes the possible effects, alternatives, and measures designed to avoid or minimize potential harm to the floodplain and wetlands or their flood storage potential. DOE will allow 15 days of public review after publication of the Statement of Findings before implementation of the Proposed Action.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Brenda G. Finley, Public Affairs Officer, U.S. DOE/NNSA, Office of Amarillo Site Operations, P.O. Box 30020, Amarillo, Texas 79120-0020, (806) 477-3120, (806) 477-6641 (FAX).

*For Further Information on General DOE Floodplain/Wetlands Environmental Review Requirements, Contact:* Carol M. Borgstrom, Director, Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-4600, (800) 472-2756.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A notice of Floodplain and Wetlands Involvement for the Proposed Deactivation and Demolition of the Zone 13 Sewage Treatment Plant at the Pantex Plant was published in the **Federal Register** on April 15, 2002 (67 FR 18182); and, subsequently, a floodplain and wetlands assessment was prepared. The floodplain and wetlands assessment documented the floodplain and wetlands communities that have the potential to be affected by the demolition of the Zone 13 Sewage Treatment Plant. Alternatives considered include: (1) removing and disposing of abandoned equipment and piping; razing the buildings, roads, and associated structures; disposing of all waste; returning the land to the original grade, and re-establishing vegetation (the Preferred Alternative), and (2) no action.

With the Preferred Alternative, some minor short-term impacts could occur during demolition and grading, which would be associated with stormwater runoff and erosion of soil particles. To mitigate these potential effects, erosion control measures will be installed during demolition and grading activities; and will remain in place until vegetative cover is established on 75 percent of the disturbed area. Potential long-term impacts to the wetland are

associated with contaminants of concern entrained in building materials or sediments confined to below grade sumps. Because these materials are currently confined, and can be well controlled during demolition, the potential for being transported to the wetlands is limited to receding floodwaters that could inundate the area during demolition. To mitigate this potential negative effect, the existing tailwater pit will be used to control rising waters; and may have a pump installed to keep water from building up in the tailwater pit. The tailwater pit has enough volume to contain 1.26 acre feet of stormwater. The controls on the tailwater pit will remain operational until demolition activities are completed. Equipment and materials used during demolition and grading will be staged in an area outside the floodplain. This proposed action complies with State and local floodplain requirements.

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**Jerry S. Johnson,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP02-409-000]

#### ANR Storage Company; Notice of Application

July 29, 2002.

Take notice that on July 17, 2002, ANR Storage Company (ANR Storage), 9 E Greenway Plaza, Houston, Texas 77046, filed in the captioned docket an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity and related authorizations pursuant to section 7 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), as amended, and the Commission's Rules and Regulations thereunder, requesting that the Commission issue an order authorizing ANR Storage to make the well modifications as described in its application.

ANR Storage states that it does not seek to increase the existing certificated storage capacity or injection/withdrawal deliverability of its facility. ANR Storage's proposed activities will improve operational efficiency of its storage reservoir within existing certificated limits. While ANR Storage has met all of its customer requests for service since the Excelsior 6 field has

been in operation, attempts have been made to improve deliverability from the west reef, including various replacements. However, working gas remains stranded at free flow conditions due to a lack of processing facilities to remove hydrocarbon liquids from the gas stream. This effectively excludes utilization of compressors for withdrawal, resulting in an inability to cycle an additional 4.0 Bcf of combined working gas. Consequently, ANR Storage proposes to drill several lateral extensions from the boreholes of two wells in order to enhance deliverability during the withdrawal season, and to install gas cooling and separation equipment at the Excelsior station, which will enable the use of compression withdrawal. These modifications will increase Excelsior 6 and Cold Springs 31 late-season deliverability and ability to cycle working gas, while remaining within the certificated limits of 200 Mmcfd.

More specifically, ANR Storage requests authorization to—

(i) drill several lateral extensions from the well bores of two existing wells in the Excelsior 6/East Kalkaska 1 storage fields towards zones of high porosity and permeability in the west reef; and

(ii) install gas cooling and separation equipment at the Excelsior station in Kalkaska County, Michigan for the purposes of removing hydrocarbon liquids from the gas stream;

at a total capital cost of \$4,397,400, all as more thoroughly described in the application on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. ANR Storage also requests that this application be disposed of in accordance with the shortened procedures set forth in Rules 801 and 802 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. ANR Storage requests that the intermediate decision procedure be omitted and waives oral hearing, and requests that the Commission grant such other and further authorizations, relief and/or waivers as the Commission deems necessary to enable ANR Storage to complete the project as proposed.

This filing may be viewed on the Web at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (please call (202)208-2222 for assistance). Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Dawn A. McGuire, Attorney, 9 E Greenway Plaza, Houston, Texas 77046, (832) 676-5503.

ANR Storage states that no new rates or rate schedules are being proposed, and that it will charge rates as currently set forth in its tariff for any service that utilizes the proposed facilities. Further,

ANR Storage is not requesting any change to the Maximum Daily Withdrawal Quantity and Maximum Daily Injection Quantity from the currently authorized levels.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before August 19, 2002, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the

Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

The Commission may issue a preliminary determination on non-environmental issues prior to the completion of its review of the environmental aspects of the project. This preliminary determination typically considers such issues as the need for the project and its economic effect on existing customers of the applicant, on other pipelines in the area, and on landowners and communities. For example, the Commission considers the extent to which the applicant may need to exercise eminent domain to obtain rights-of-way for the proposed project and balances that against the non-environmental benefits to be provided by the project. Therefore, if a person has comments on community and landowner impacts from this proposal, it is important either to file comments or to intervene as early in the process as possible.

Comments, protests, and 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 under the "e-Filing" link.

If the Commission decides to set the application for a formal hearing before an Administrative Law Judge, the Commission will issue another notice describing that process. At the end of the Commission's review process, a final Commission order approving or denying a certificate will be issued.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. EL00-95-000, EL00-98-000, and ER02-1656-000]

#### **San Diego Gas & Electric Company, Complainant, v. Sellers of Energy and Ancillary Services Into Markets Operated by the California Independent System Operator and the California Power Exchange, Respondents; Investigation of Practices of the California Independent System Operator and the California Power Exchange; California Independent System Operator (MD02); Notice of Technical Conference**

July 29, 2002.

As directed by the Commission order issued on July 17, 2002 in Docket No. ER02-165-000 and EL01-68-017, 100 FERC ¶ 61,060, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Staff is convening a technical conference to facilitate continued discussions between the California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO), market participants, state agencies and other interested participants on the development of a revised market design for the CAISO. Staff will issue an agenda the week of August 5, 2002. The conference will be held in San Francisco, California, at the Renaissance Parc 55 Hotel, 55 Cyril Magnin Street, San Francisco, CA, on August 13, 14 and 15, 2002, beginning at 9 a.m.

For additional information concerning the conference, interested persons may contact Susan G. Pollonais at (202) 208-0011 or by electronic mail at [susan.pollonais@ferc.gov](mailto:susan.pollonais@ferc.gov). No telephone communication bridge will be provided at this technical conference.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER02-851-000]

#### **Southern Company Services, Inc.; Notice of Non-Disclosure Agreement at Technical Conference**

July 26, 2002.

On July 5, 2002, notice was issued that a technical conference will be held in the above-captioned matter on Wednesday, August 7, 2002 at 9:30 a.m.