documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commentors 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.

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#### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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# DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

#### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EC11-83-001]

## Exelon Corporation Constellation Energy Group, Inc.; Notice of Filing

Take notice that, on October 11, 2011, **Exelon Corporation and Constellation** Energy Group, Inc. (Merger Applicants) submitted a filing styled as an answer in the above-referenced proceeding attaching an agreement that Merger Applicants have reached with the Independent Market Monitor for PJM (Market Monitor) involving certain mitigation commitments Merger Applicants have agreed to implement upon the closing of the proposed transaction that is the subject of Merger Applicants' application that was filed in the above-referenced proceeding on May 20, 2011 under section 203 of the Federal Power Act. Merger Applicants request that the Commission issue an

order approving the transaction, conditioned on the Merger Applicants' compliance with the terms of the agreement with the Market Monitor (along with the other commitments described in their application, which are not superseded by the agreement with the Market Monitor). Merger Applicants' filing is hereby noticed as an amendment to their application for purposes of section 33.11(a) of the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 33.11(a)).

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). 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 notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant and all the parties in this proceeding.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at *http://www.ferc.gov*. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

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Dated: October 19, 2011.

### Kimberly D. Bose,

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

#### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP12-4-000]

# Southern Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.; Notice of Application

Take notice that on October 7, 2011, Southern Natural Gas Company, L.L.C. (Southern), 569 Brookwood Village, Suite 501, Birmingham, AL 35209, filed an application in Docket No. CP12-4-000 pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations, for authorization to abandon, by sale to High Point Gas Transmission, LLC (High Point), certain onshore facilities located in Louisiana and certain offshore supply facilities located offshore Louisiana in the Gulf of Mexico. In its related application filed in Docket No. CP12-9-000, High Point seeks authorization to acquire, own and operate the facilities to be abandoned, as well as certain blanket certificates, all as more fully set forth in the applications which are on file with the Commission and open for public inspection.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Glenn A. Sheffield, Director—Rates and Regulatory, Southern Natural Gas Company, P.O. Box 2563, Birmingham, Alabama 35202–2563, or call at (205) 325–3813; or Patricia S. Francis, Associate General Counsel, Southern Natural Gas Company, P.O. Box 2563, Birmingham, Alabama 35202–2563, or call at (205) 325–7696.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9. within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify Federal and State agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all Federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

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 the comment date stated below, 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 7 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 commentors 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 commentors will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commentors 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.

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# Kimberly D. Bose,

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### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 199-205]

# South Carolina Public Service Authority; Notice of Meeting

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) has contacted Commission staff regarding a meeting with South Carolina Public Service Authority (SCPSA), licensee for the Santee-Cooper Hydroelectric Project No. 199, and staff to continue discussions of what is needed to complete formal consultation for shortnose sturgeon (Acipenser brevirostrum) under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act. Accordingly, Commission staff will meet with representatives of NMFS and SCPSA, the Commission's non-federal representative for the Santee-Cooper Project, on Tuesday, November 8, 2011. The meeting will start at 9 a.m. at NMFS' office at 263 13th Avenue South, St. Petersburg, Florida. All local, state, and federal agencies, and interested parties, are hereby invited to attend and observe this meeting. Questions concerning the meeting should be directed to Dr. Stephania Bolder of NMFS at (727) 824-5312.

Dated: October 19, 2011.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

#### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RD11-9-000]

North American Electric Reliability Corporation; Order Approving Interpretation of Reliability Standard; Before Commissioners: Jon Wellinghoff, Chairman; Philip D. Moeller, John R. Norris, and Cheryl A. LaFleur

Issued October 20, 2011.

1. On April 15, 2011, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), the Commissioncertified Electric Reliability Organization (ERO), submitted a petition for Commission approval of an interpretation of Requirement R10 of Transmission Operations (TOP) Reliability Standard TOP-002-2a (Normal Operations Planning). This Reliability Standard requires, in pertinent part, each balancing authority and transmission operator to maintain plans to evaluate options and establish procedures for the reliable operation of the Bulk-Power System for current day and future operations, as well as coordinate current day and future operations with neighboring balancing authorities and transmission operators. Requirement R10, the subject of NERC's Petition, addresses the planning required to meet all System Operating Limits and Interconnection Reliability **Operating Limits. NERC also requests** that the Standard including the interpretation, which would be referred to as Reliability Standard TOP-002-2b, be made effective immediately upon the issuance of an order in this proceeding.

2. In this order, the Commission finds that NERC's proposed interpretation of Requirement R10 of Reliability Standard TOP-002-2a is just, reasonable, not unduly discriminatory or preferential, and in the public interest. Therefore, the Commission approves the interpretation, referred to as Reliability Standard TOP-002-2b, effective as of the date of this order.

## I. Background

3. Section 215 of the Federal Power Act (FPA) requires a Commissioncertified ERO to develop mandatory and enforceable Reliability Standards, which are subject to Commission review and approval. Once approved, the Reliability Standards may be enforced by the ERO, subject to Commission oversight, or by the Commission independently.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See 16 U.S.C. 8240(e) (2006).