

contingent upon and coincident with the proposed commencement of operation by Carolina Gas Transmission Corporation (Carolina Gas) as an interstate natural gas pipeline pursuant to any certificate and other authorizations granted by the Commission in an order approving the proposed restructuring of SCPC in Docket Nos. CP06–71, CP06–72 and CP06–73. The above restructuring proposal by Carolina Gas and SCPC is currently pending before the Commission in the dockets listed.

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 and 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or a 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 to protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

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.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on July 11, 2006.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP06–361–000]

Freeport LNG Development, L.P.; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Freeport LNG Phase II Project

June 19, 2006.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or

Commission) has prepared this Environmental Assessment (EA) for the construction and operation of the expansion of the Freeport liquefied natural gas (LNG) import terminal (referred to as the Freeport LNG Phase II Project or Project) as proposed by Freeport LNG Development, L.P. (Freeport) in the above-referenced docket.

The EA was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The staff concludes that approval of the Freeport LNG Phase II Project, with appropriate mitigating measures as recommended, would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. The EA also contains our final General Conformity Determination.

The EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the proposed expansion of the Freeport LNG terminal in Brazoria County, Texas including the construction of:

- An additional LNG ship berth and associated unloading facilities that would have the capacity to unload up to 200 LNG ships per year;
- Additional vaporizers and associated systems, including an air tower; and
- An additional LNG storage tank and associated systems.

The purpose of the Project is to provide the facilities necessary for shippers, including MC Global Gas Corporation (a subsidiary of Mitsubishi Corporation [Mitsubishi]), to deliver up to 2.5 Mcfd of natural gas derived from LNG to the Texas intrastate pipeline system in Stratton Ridge. Delivery of gas to the Stratton Ridge area would allow to gas to be delivered to the intrastate market or potentially transported to the interstate pipeline system for delivery elsewhere.

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 Room, 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426. (202) 502–8371.

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 an original and two copies of your comments to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426;
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of the Gas Branch 2, PJ11.2.
- Reference Docket No. CP06–361–000; and
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before July 19, 2006.

Please note that we are continuing to experience delays in mail deliveries from the U.S. Postal Service. As a result, we will include all comments that we receive within a reasonable time frame in our environmental analysis of this project. However, the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing of any comments or interventions or protests to this proceeding. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the "e-Filing" link and the link to the User's Guide. Before you can file comments you will need to create a free account which can be created by clicking on "Sign-up."

Comments will be considered by the Commission but will not serve to make the commentator 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).¹ 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 Project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at 1–866–208–FERC or on the FERC Internet Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the eLibrary link. Click on the "eLibrary" link, click on "General Search" and enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field. Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at:

¹ Interventions may also be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See the previous discussion on filing comments electronically.

FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY at (202) 502-8659. The eLibrary link on the FERC Internet Web site also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2144-035-Washington]

City of Seattle, WA; Errata Notice

June 20, 2006.

On June 19, 2006 the Commission issued a "Notice of Scoping Meeting and Site Visits" for the above-referenced proceeding. The time listed under item (m), *Nighttime Scoping Meeting* is corrected as follows:

Date and Time of Meeting: July 19, 2006, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. (PDT).

In addition, the fourth sentence under item (m) *Site Visits* is corrected as follows:

Those interested in participating in site visits must notify Mary Pat DiLeva of their intent at marypat.dileva@seattle.gov by June 30, 2006.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP05-422-000]

El Paso Natural Gas Company; Notice of Informal Settlement Conference

June 20, 2006.

Take notice that an informal settlement conference will be convened in this proceeding commencing at 9 a.m. (EST) on June 28, 2006, at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Hearing Room 1, Washington, DC 20426, for the purpose of exploring the possible settlement of the above-referenced dockets.

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).

FERC conferences are accessible under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. For accessibility accommodations please send an e-mail to accessibility@ferc.gov or call toll free 1-866-208-3372 (voice) or 202-208-1659 (TTY), or send a FAX to (202) 208-2106, with the required accommodations.

For additional information, please contact Hollis Alpert, hollis.alpert@ferc.gov, (202) 502-8783.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of FERC Staff Attendance at Meetings of New York Independent System Operator, Inc.

June 20, 2006.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission hereby gives notice that members of its staff may attend the meeting noted below of the New York Independent System Operator. The attendance by staff is part of the Commission's ongoing outreach efforts.

Electric System Planning Working Group (ESPWG), June 22, 2006, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. (EDT), New York State Nurses Association, 11 Cornell Road, Lantham, NY 12210.

The discussions may address matters at issue in the following proceedings:

Docket No. ER04-449, *New York Independent System Operator, Inc.*

Docket No. EL06-1, *New York Independent System Operator, Inc.*

The meeting is open to the public.

For additional information, contact Rachel Spiker, Office of Energy Markets and Reliability at 202-502-8801 or by e-mail at Rachel.spiker@ferc.gov

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM98-1-000]

Records Governing Off-the Record Communications; Public Notice

June 19, 2006.

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2201(b), of the receipt of prohibited and exempt off-the-record communications.

Order No. 607 (64 FR 51222, September 22, 1999) requires Commission decisional employees, who make or receive a prohibited or exempt off-the-record communication relevant to the merits of a contested proceeding, to deliver to the Secretary of the Commission, a copy of the communication, if written, or a summary of the substance of any oral communication.

Prohibited communications are included in a public, non-decisional file associated with, but not a part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become a part of the decisional record, the prohibited off-the-record communication will not be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision. Parties to a proceeding may seek the opportunity to respond to any facts or contentions made in a prohibited off-the-record communication, and may request that the Commission place the prohibited communication and responses thereto in the decisional record. The Commission will grant such a request only when it determines that fairness so requires. Any person identified below as having made a prohibited off-the-record communication shall serve the document on all parties listed on the official service list for the applicable proceeding in accordance with Rule 2010, 18 CFR 385.2010.

Exempt off-the-record communications are included in the decisional record of the proceeding, unless the communication was with a cooperating agency as described by 40 CFR 1501.6, made under 18 CFR 385.2201(e)(1)(v).

The following is a list of off-the-record communications recently received by the Secretary of the Commission. The communications listed are grouped by docket numbers in ascending order. These filings are available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the eLibrary