

Comment Date: May 13, 2002.

31. PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

[Docket No. RT01-98-007]

Take notice that on April 19, 2002, PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. (PJM) supplemented its March 28, 2002 filing in this docket with several additional conforming changes to the PJM Open Access Transmission Tariff (Tariff), Amended and Restated Operating Agreement of PJM Interconnection, L.L.C. (Operating Agreement), and PJM "Transmission Owners Agreement" that are necessary to reflect the April 1, 2002 implementation of the "PJM West" arrangement approved by the Commission in its July 12, 2001, January 30, 2002, and March 1, 2002 orders in this proceeding.

Copies of this filing have been served on all PJM Members and the state electric regulatory commissions in the PJM control area and Allegheny Power System service area.

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Standard Paragraph

E. Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, 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 protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date, and, to the extent applicable, must be served on the applicant and on any other person designated on the official service list. This filing is available for review at the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). 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.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP01-415-000]

East Tennessee Natural Gas Company; Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Patriot Pipeline Project

April 26, 2002.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) on the natural gas pipeline facilities proposed by East Tennessee Natural Gas Company (East Tennessee) in the above-referenced docket.

The DEIS was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the Commission's implementing regulations under Title 18, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 380. The staff concludes that approval of the proposed project with the appropriate mitigating measures as recommended, would have limited adverse environmental impact. The DEIS also evaluates alternatives to the proposed Project, and requests comments on them.

The DEIS addresses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the Patriot Project which consists of two components, the Mainline Expansion and the Patriot Extension.

Mainline Expansion

- Construct approximately 87.3 miles of pipeline loops, ranging in size from 20 to 24 inches in diameter;
- Uprate approximately 77.2 miles of pipeline;
- Abandon and re-lay approximately 22.5 miles of pipeline;
- Construct five new compressor stations; and
- Modify 10 existing compressor stations;

Patriot Extension

- Construct approximately 99.7 miles of new pipeline (24- and 16-inch-diameter);
- Three new meter stations; and
- Associated mainline valves and appurtenant facilities in Virginia and North Carolina.

The staff has also evaluated 12 major route alternatives. Nine of these were removed from further consideration. The remaining three major route alternatives appear to have environmental benefits relative to the

proposed route. We¹ are requesting public comment on these three major route alternatives. We analyzed seven route variations; five were removed from further consideration, and two are recommended over the proposed route. We examined four alternative compressor station sites; two were removed from consideration after our analyses and two are recommended over the proposed sites. We evaluated two alternative interconnect sites for the proposed Transco interconnect, both of which were removed from further consideration.

Comment Procedures and Public Meetings

Any person wishing to comment on the DEIS 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 one original and two copies of your comments to: Ms. Magalie R. Salas, 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 Branch 2, PJ-11.2
- Reference Docket No. CP01-415-000
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before June 17, 2002.

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 encourages electronic filing of any comments or interventions or protests to this proceeding. Comments may also 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 Internet web site (<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 an account, which can be created by clicking on "Login to File" and the "New User Account."

In addition to accepting written comments, the Commission will hold five public meetings at the times and locations shown below to receive

¹ "We," "us," and "our" refer to the environmental staff of the Office of Energy Projects, part of the Commission staff.

comments on this DEIS. Interested groups and individuals are encouraged to attend the meetings and comment on

the environmental impacts described in the DEIS.

Date and time	Location	Phone
Tuesday, May 21, 2002 7 p.m	Patrick Henry Community College, Theatre, 645 Patriot Avenue, Martinsville, VA 24115.	(276) 638-8777
Wednesday, May 22, 2002 7 p.m	Patrick County Community Center, Rotary Field Memorial, Building Gymnasium, 420 Woodland Drive, Stuart, VA 24171.	(276) 694-3917
Thursday, May 23, 2002 7 p.m	Veterans of Foreign Wars, Grover King Post 1115, 701 West Stuart Drive, Hillsville, VA 24343.	(276) 728-2911
Wednesday, May 29, 2002 7 p.m	Mountain Arts Community Center Theater, 809 Kentucky Avenue.	(423) 886-1959
Thursday, May 30, 2002 7 p.m	Slater Community Center Auditorium, 325 McDowell Street, Bristol, TN 37620.	(423) 764-4023

After comments have been reviewed, any significant new issues will be investigated. When the DEIS has been modified as appropriate, the staff will publish and distribute a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). The FEIS will contain the staff's responses to timely comments filed on the DEIS.

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 (see 18 CFR 385.214).

Anyone may intervene in this proceeding based on this DEIS. You must file your request to intervene as specified above.² You do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

All intervenors, agencies, elected officials, local governments, special interest groups, Indian tribes, affected landowners, local libraries, media, and anyone providing written comments on the DEIS will receive a copy of the FEIS. If you do not wish to comment on the DEIS but wish to receive a copy of the FEIS, you must write to the Secretary of the Commission, indicating this request.

The DEIS has been placed in the public files of the FERC and is 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.

A limited number of copies are available from the Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch identified above. In addition, copies of the DEIS have been mailed to Federal, state, and

local government agencies; elected officials, environmental and public interest groups; affected landowners who requested a copy of the DEIS; Native American tribes that might attach religious and cultural significance to historic properties in the area of potential effect; local libraries and newspapers; and the Commission's list of parties to this proceeding. Members of the public who signed petitions but did not request a copy of the DEIS were sent the Executive Summary. Additional information about the proposed project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (202) 208-1088 or on the FERC Internet web site (www.ferc.gov), 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 help line can be reached at (202) 208-2222.

Similarly, the "CIPS" link on the FERC Internet web site provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission with regard to this docket, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings. From the FERC Internet web site, click on the "CIPS" link, select "Docket #" from the CIPS menu, and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to CIPS, the CIPS help line can be reached at (202) 208-2222.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Scoping Meetings and Site Visit and Solicitation of Scoping Comments

April 26, 2002.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 233-081.

c. *Date Filed:* October 19, 2001.

d. *Applicant:* Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

e. *Name of Project:* Pit 3, 4, and 5 Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Pit River, in Shasta County, near the community of Burney and the Intermountain towns of Fall River Mills and McArthur, California. The project includes 746 acres of lands of the United States, which are administered by the Forest Supervisor of the Shasta Trinity National Forest and the Forest Supervisor of the Lassen National Forest.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Randal Livingston, Lead Director, Hydro Generation Department, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, P.O. Box 770000, N11C, San Francisco, CA 94177, (415) 973-6950.

i. *FERC Contact:* John Mudre, (202) 219-1208 or john.mudre@ferc.gov.

j. *Deadline for filing scoping comments:* June 24, 2002.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Scoping comments may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of

² Interventions also may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See the previous discussion on filing comments electronically.