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Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RC08-5-000]

Department of Energy, Portsmouth/Paducah Project Office; Notice of Filing

May 16, 2008.

Take notice that on May 13, 2008, the Department of Energy Portsmouth/Paducah Project Office (DOE) submitted a request for appeal of a NERC decision regarding DOE's registration as a Transmission Owner, Transmission Operator Load Serving Entity and Distribution Provider in the NERC Compliance Registry.

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. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

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Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on June 12, 2008.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No.: 733-010]

Eric Jacobson; Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment and Notice of Scoping Meetings and Site Visit and Soliciting Scoping Comments

May 16, 2008.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Minor License.

b. *Project No.:* 733-010.

c. *Date Filed:* April 9, 2008.

d. *Applicant:* Eric Jacobson.

e. *Name of Project:* Ouray Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The project is located on the Uncompahgre River in Ouray County, Colorado. The project occupies lands within the Uncompahgre National Forest managed by the U.S. Forest Service.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Eric Jacobson, P.O. Box 745, Telluride, CO 81435; (970) 369-4662.

i. *FERC Contact:* Steve Hocking, (202) 502-8753 or steve.hocking@ferc.gov.

j. *Deadline for filing scoping comments:* July 17, 2008.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

Scoping comments may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. 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.

k. This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. *Project Description:* The project consists of the following existing facilities: (1) A 0.48-acre reservoir formed by a masonry gravity dam with an effective structural height of 19.7 feet and a length of 70 feet consisting of a 51-foot-long non-overflow section and a 19-foot-wide overflow spillway, (2) a 6,130-foot-long pressure pipeline, (3) a 32- by 65-foot powerhouse containing three turbine-generating units with a total authorized capacity of 632 kW, and (4) appurtenant facilities.

m. *Locations of the Application:* A copy of the application is 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" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction by contacting the applicant using the contact information in item (h) above.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm> to be notified via e-mail of new filings

and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

n. Scoping Process: The Commission intends to prepare a single environmental assessment (EA) for the project (no draft EA would be prepared) in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act. The EA will consider both site-specific and cumulative environmental impacts and reasonable alternatives to the proposed action.

Scoping Meetings

Commission staff will hold two scoping meetings in the vicinity of the project at the time and place noted below. The daytime meeting will focus on resource agency, Indian tribes, and non-governmental organization concerns, while the evening meeting is primarily for receiving input from the public. We invite all interested individuals, organizations, and agencies to attend one or both of these meetings and to assist staff in determining the scope of the environmental issues to be addressed in the environmental assessment. The times and locations of these meetings are as follows:

Evening Scoping Meeting

Date: June 16, 2008.

Time: 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. (MST).

Place: Ouray Community Center.

Address: 320 6th Avenue, Ouray, Colorado 81427.

Daytime Scoping Meeting

Date: June 17, 2008.

Time: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. (MST).

Place: Ouray Community Center.

Address: 320 6th Avenue, Ouray, Colorado 81427.

Scoping Document 1 (SD1), which outlines the subject areas to be addressed in the environmental assessment, was mailed to the individuals and entities on the Commission's mailing list. Copies of SD1 will be available at the scoping meetings or may be viewed on the Web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link (see item m above). Based on all oral and written comments, a Scoping Document 2 (SD2) may be issued.

Site Visit

We will hold a site visit to the project on Monday, June 16, 2008, from 8 a.m. to about 12 noon. To attend the site visit, meet at 8 a.m. at the valve house parking lot at the Ouray Project in the town of Ouray, Colorado. We will walk about one mile to the project's dam, then return to the parking lot. We will then drive to the project's powerhouse

in Ouray. All participants are responsible for their own transportation.

Note that Commission staff may hold a site visit and/or meeting at the project at a later date to discuss any project-related effects to archaeological, historic, or traditional cultural properties.

Meeting Objectives

At the scoping meetings, staff will: (1) Summarize the environmental issues tentatively identified for analysis in the EA; (2) solicit from meeting participants all available information, especially quantifiable data, on the resources at issues; (3) encourage statements from experts and the public on issues that should be analyzed in the EA, including viewpoints in opposition to, or in support of, the staff's preliminary views; (4) determine the resource issues to be addressed in the EA; and (5) identify those issues that require a detailed analysis, as well as those issues that do not require a detailed analysis.

Meeting Procedures

Scoping meetings will be recorded by a stenographer and will become part of the Commission's formal record for this proceeding.

Individuals, organizations, and agencies with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the meetings and to assist staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in the EA.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PF08-13-000; Docket No. PF08-16-000]

Southern Natural Gas Company; Southeast Supply Header, LLC; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed South System Expansion III Project and Joint Pipeline Expansion Phase II Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

May 16, 2008.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will address the environmental impacts of the South System Expansion III Project (SSEIII Project) proposed by Southern

Natural Gas Company (SNG) and the Joint Pipeline Expansion Phase II Project (JPE Phase II Project) proposed by Southeast Supply Header, LLC (SESH); together they are referred to as "the projects". The Commission will use the EA in its decision-making process to determine whether or not to authorize the project. This notice explains the scoping process we¹ will use to gather environmental input from the public and interested agencies on the projects. Your input will help the Commission determine the issues that need to be evaluated in the EA. Please note that the scoping period will close on June 16, 2008.

Details on how to submit written comments are provided in the Public Participation section of this notice.

If you are a landowner receiving this notice, you may be contacted by a pipeline company representative about the acquisition of an easement to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed project facilities. Each pipeline company would seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement for its project. However, if the projects are approved by the Commission, that approval conveys with it the right of eminent domain. Therefore, if easement negotiations fail to produce an agreement, the pipeline company could initiate condemnation proceedings in accordance with state law.

This notice is being sent to affected landowners; federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. We encourage government representatives to notify their constituents of this planned project and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

A fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled "An Interstate Natural Gas Facility on My Land? What Do I Need To Know?" is available for viewing on the FERC Internet Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>). This fact sheet addresses a number of typically asked questions, including the use of eminent domain and how to participate in the FERC's proceedings.

Summary of the Proposed Projects

SNG and SESH propose to construct, own, operate, and maintain certain natural gas transportation facilities within the states of Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana. The general

¹ "We," "us," and "our" refer to the environmental staff of the FERC's Office of Energy Projects.