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May 16, 2022

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20426

> Re: Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc. Welda Storage Expansion Project Anderson County, Kansas Docket No. CP22-____-000

Dear Secretary Bose:

Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc. ("Southern Star"), pursuant to the authority of its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-479-000 and the provisions of Sections 157.205, 157.208(b) and 157.213(c) of the Regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("Commission"), submits for eFiling a Prior Notice Request for authorization to modify facilities at its Welda Compressor Station in Anderson County, Kansas to increase the deliverability of its Welda Storage Complex, which would allow for conversion of existing interruptible storage capacity to firm storage capacity.

This transmittal letter describes the filing and its contents. Southern Star has organized the filing into three volumes.

Volume I - Public Files:

- Transmittal letter
- Prior Notice Request
- Form of Notice
- Attachment 1 Environmental Report

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- Attachment 1 Appendix B, Agency Correspondence & Appendix D, List of Affected Landowners
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- Attachment 1, Appendix C Aboveground Facilities Plot Plans
- Attachment 2 Flow Diagrams

Volumes II and III contain two different types of non-public information and have been appropriately labeled pursuant to the Commission's regulations and guidance, and for which Southern Star requests nonpublic treatment:

Privileged Information (PRIV) – Southern Star requests that the Commission accord nonpublic treatment to the eFiled documents containing privileged information in a manner consistent with Section 388.112 of the Commission's regulations. Each page is labeled **CUI//PRIV** per the Commission's June 14, 2018 Notice of Document Labelling Guidance for Documents Submitted to or Filed with the Commission or Commission Staff. Each page is also marked – **"DO NOT RELEASE**" pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 388.112(a)(1).

Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (CEII) – Southern Star requests that the Commission accord nonpublic treatment to the eFiled documents containing CEII information in a manner consistent with Section 388.113 of the Commission's regulations. Each page is labeled **CUI//CEII** per the Commission's June 14, 2018 Notice of Document Labelling Guidance for Documents Submitted to or Filed with the Commission or Commission Staff.

Southern Star is eFiling this Application pursuant to the Commission's electronic filing guide; however, because the Commission's offices are closed due the pandemic, Southern Star requests a waiver of any requirement to deliver complete paper copies to the Commission's Headquarters.

Please call the undersigned at (270) 852-4655 or, at my cell phone (270) 302-9280 with any questions regarding the documents.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Cindy C. Thompson

Director, Regulatory, Compliance and Information Governance

Enclosures

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

BEFORE THE

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

In the Matter of)		
)	Docket No. CP22	000
Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc.)		

REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION UNDER THE PRIOR NOTICE PROCEDURES OF SECTION 157.205

Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc. ("Southern Star") submits a prior notice request under the provisions of its blanket certificate (Docket No. CP82-479-000) and Sections 157.205, 157.208(b) and 157.213(c) of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("Commission") for authorization to modify facilities at its Welda Compressor Station in Anderson County, Kansas, to increase the deliverability of the Colony, Elk City and South Welda Storage Fields, which would allow for conversion of existing interruptible storage capacity to firm storage capacity ("Project"). The Project involves the overhaul and uprate of three turbines at the Welda Compressor Station in Anderson County, Kansas, along with the installation of necessary piping modifications, coolers, and upgrades.

APPLICANT

The exact legal name of the party tendering the request is Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc., and its principal place of business is located at 4700 State Route 56, Owensboro, Kentucky 42301. Southern Star is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and is duly authorized to conduct business in the states of Colorado, Delaware, Kansas, Kentucky, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas, Virginia, and Wyoming. Southem Star is a natural gas company, as defined in Section 1(b) of the Natural Gas Act ("NGA"), engaged in the business of storing and transporting natural gas in interstate commerce under authorizations granted by the Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS

Correspondence and communications regarding this request are to be addressed as follows:

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The above listed persons are designated to receive service pursuant to Rule 2010 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. §385.2010 (2011), and eService is requested in lieu of paper copies.

DESCRIPTION OF EXISTING OPERATIONS

Southern Star owns and operates an interstate pipeline transmission system, consisting of approximately 5,800 miles of pipeline, 43 compressor stations, and eight underground natural gas storage fields, that delivers clean, affordable natural gas to a variety of natural gas customers, including local distribution companies who in turn redeliver that gas to residential, commercial, industrial and institutional customers across the Midwest and Mid-Continent regions.

Southern Star owns and operates eight natural gas storage fields; seven located within the State of Kansas and one located in Oklahoma. The Commission originally authorized the storage field known as the South Welda Storage Field, located in Anderson County, Kansas, near the community of Welda, Kansas, within the "Grandfathering" Order allowing continuation of operations subject to Commission jurisdiction issued in Docket No. G-298. The South Welda Storage Field is bordered on the southwest certificated boundary by Southern Star's Colony Storage Field, which the Commission originally authorized by a certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issued in Docket No. G-1704. The South Welda Storage Field is bordered on its north boundary by the company's North Welda Storage Field, which the Commission originally authorized within the "Grandfathering" Order allowing continuation of operations subject to Commission jurisdiction issued in Docket No. G-298. All three storage fields are located mainly within Anderson County with some acreage in Allen County, Kansas, and are geologically connected by the Colony Sand formation. The three fields are collectively referred to as Southem Star's Welda Storage Complex, and gas flow for all three fields is controlled by compression at the existing Welda Compressor Station.

The storage field known as the Elk City Storage Field consists of approximately 9,879 acres of certificated boundary and buffer zone located in Elk, Chautauqua, and Montgomery Counties in southeast Kansas. By order issued on September 24, 1958, in Docket No. G-10956, the Commission issued to Cities Service Gas Company (a predecessor to Southern Star) a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to acquire, own, develop, and operate the storage field. Further development in operating conditions of the Elk City Storage Field were sought and granted by Commission orders in Docket Nos. CP96-137-000, CP96-311-000 and CP98-119-000, as well as a related docket involving the abandonment of the Craig Storage Field in Docket No. CP98-280-000. Southern Star utilizes its Elk City Compressor Station ("Elk City Station") in Montgomery County, KS, which was authorized by Commission order in Docket No. CP10-2-000, to facilitate the injection and withdrawal of storage gas at the Elk City Storage Field.

REQUEST TO MODIFY FACILITIES

Pursuant to this prior notice, Southern Star seeks authorization to modify existing facilities at the Welda Compressor Station, located in Anderson County, Kansas, in order to increase the deliverability of the Welda Storage Complex by 14 MMcf/d, increase deliverability of the Elk City Storage Field by 14 MMcf/d and increase available firm storage capacity by approximately 0.9 Bcf, by converting storage working gas capacity previously utilized for interruptible storage capacity. There will be no changes to working or cushion gas volumes or to the certificated parameters of any storage field (i.e., total inventory, reservoir pressure, reservoir and buffer boundaries, and certificated capacity of all fields will remain unchanged). In January of 2022, Southern Star conducted a binding open season supported by an executed Firm Storage

Service Agreement with Concord Energy LLC to quantify interest in firm storage capacity and identify the need to construct facilities related to the Project.

There are no other applications related to this request.

PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED FACILITIES

18 C.F.R. §157.208(c)(1) and (2)

After winter Storm Uri, Southern Star, responding to demonstrated interest from its shippers, has recognized a need for increased storage capacity to allow Southern Star to prepare for similar natural disasters in the future. The purpose of the proposed Project is to increase the deliverability of the Welda Storage Complex by approximately 14 MMcf/d by utilizing increased horsepower and reduced suction pressure at the inlet of the compressor station, which would ultimately allow for conversion of existing interruptible storage capacity to firm storage capacity. An additional 14 MMcf/d in deliverability will be achieved from Elk City Storage Field by utilization of existing available horsepower at Elk City Compressor Station. Therefore, no work is necessary at Elk City Station. These requested changes would allow for an increase in available firm storage capacity of approximately 0.9 Bcf without any change to working or cushion gas or to the certificated parameters of any storage field (i.e., total inventory, reservoir pressure, reservoir and buffer boundaries, and certificated capacity of all fields will remain unchanged).

The Project is to be completed at Welda Station, located in Anderson County, Kansas. Southern star utilizes the compressor station to compress gas from South Welda, North Welda, and Colony Storage Fields onto Lines DP and DPA flowing to Ottawa Station. The Project will include the overhaul and uprate of three gas turbines (T1, T2 and T3)¹, replacement of the existing PLC5 controls with a new Solar Control package, NOx upgrades for emission controls, installation of an additional 8-inch meter tube for South Welda Field, upgrade of the existing fuel gas system and replacement of the existing Rainey gas coolers for the three units. As noted above, the storage capacity has been sold by open season, which took place in January of 2022.

¹ There is a fourth turbine at the Welda Station, T4, which Southern Star is not modifying at this time.

As a result of the open season, Concord Energy LLC has executed a Firm Storage Service Agreement, which commences on November 1, 2022 and continues in full force and effect until April 1, 2043.

The uprate of the turbines will include an engine overhaul and unit exchange. A major engine overhaul restores the mechanical integrity and performance to the same levels as a newly purchased engine. It also resets the Time Between Overhaul (TBO) cycle. An engine overhaul is essential to continuing maximum engine performance, availability, and reliability. The engines will be overhauled under Solar's Overhaul Exchange Program, which is designed to minimize operational downtime. Under this program, the major engine components are replaced rather than remanufactured. Additionally, increasing the horsepower of a Solar gas turbine at the same time of an overhaul is a cost-efficient way to make operations more productive.

In addition to the overhaul and uprate, one of the units will need upgrades and/or replacements for the controls and installation of new SoLoNOx upgrades. This will allow for increased horsepower with negligible changes in overall emissions from station operations provided by the uprate. Upgrades and controls will be limited to a single unit. The overall reduction of NOx from one unit upgrade will nearly offset the total increase created from the three uprates.

To help with reducing the downstream temperatures, Southern Star will replace each of the three coolers for turbines T1, T2 and T3.

Southern Star will be making piping modifications from the three units' discharge lines to tie-in to the new coolers, and the cooler discharges will tie-in to the existing discharge piping. The existing 16-inch piping will require a cut and new tie-ins to the coolers. All piping will need to have paint and coating applied. The cooler foundation will likely need to be adjusted or offset from existing foundation. Southern Star anticipates using high early strength concrete to allow for setting the coolers early if necessary.

As mentioned above, no construction will take place at Elk City Station to achieve the increased deliverability from the Elk City Storage Field.

MAPS SHOWING LOCATION OF FACILITIES

18 C.F.R. §157.208(c)(3) and (4)

A USGS $71/_2$ -minute-series (scale 1:24,000) topographic map showing the location of the affected facilities is included in Attachment 1, Appendix A of the Environmental Report. A map showing the general relationship of the proposed facilities to the applicant's existing facilities is included in Attachment 1, Appendix A of the Environmental Report.

FLOW DIAGRAMS

18 C.F.R. §157.208(c)(5)

Attached in Volume III, Attachment 2 are flow diagrams, for both Welda and Elk City compressor stations, showing daily design capacity with and without the proposed Project. The volume of fuel gas, suction and discharge pressure and compression ratio are also shown in the flow diagram data.

ESTIMATED COST

18 CFR §157.208(c)(6)

The anticipated total cost of the Project is estimated to be approximately \$6.4 million for which internally generated funds have or will be used. This cost is less than the prior notice project cost limit in Column 2 of Table 1 to Part 157 as published in 18 C.F.R. Section 157.208.

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT AND COMMITMENT

18 C.F.R.§157.208(c)(9) and (10)

Attached in Volume I, Attachment 1 is an abbreviated Environmental Report containing a concise analysis discussing the relevant issues described in 18 CFR §380.12. The analysis identifies the existing environmental conditions and the expected significant impacts that the

proposed action, including proposed mitigation measures, will cause to the quality of the human environment, including impact expected to occur to sensitive environmental areas.

As demonstrated in the report, any environmental impacts are minimal, and the Project can be completed in an environmentally acceptable manner. Southern Star commits to having the Environmental Inspector's report filed every week.

DESCRIPTION OF THE CURRENT GEOLOGICAL INTERPRETATION OF SOUTH WELDA, COLONY, AND ELK CITY STORAGE FIELDS

18 C.F.R.§157.213(c)(1)

Omitted. Incorporated herein by reference for South Welda Storage Field under Docket No. CP08-04-000; Colony Storage Field under Docket No. CP06-49-000; and Elk City Storage Field under Docket No. CP10-2-000. The geologic interpretation or maps have not been updated since the above filings.

LATEST ISOPACH AND STRUCTURAL MAPS OF SOUTH WELDA, COLONY, AND ELK CITY STORAGE FIELDS

18 C.F.R.§157.213(c)(2)

Omitted. Incorporated herein by reference for South Welda Storage Field under Docket No. CP08-04-000; Colony Storage Field under Docket No. CP06-49-000; and Elk City Storage Field under Docket No. CP10-2-000. The geologic interpretation or maps have not been updated since the above filings.

ISOBARIC MAPS FOR THE LAST THREE INJECTION/WITHDRAWAL SEASONS

18 C.F.R.§157.213(c)(3)

See Volume II, Attachment 3.

Southern Star does not prepare isobaric maps for analysis of its storage fields. However, data for the last three years of pressures taken during the shut-in period near the end of each injection and withdrawal season is included in Volume II, Attachment 3. When calculating the average field pressure, certain pressure outliers are omitted from the calculation due to wide changes in value between dates or other engineering or geological reasons.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PRESENT STORAGE OPERATIONS AND HOW THEY MAY CHANGE DUE TO THE PROJECT

18 C.F.R.§157.213(c)(4)

The Operating Plans for the South Welda, Colony, and Elk City storage fields are included in Volume II, Attachment 4.

The only change to the storage fields is a small increase in deliverability, which is accomplished by lower suction pressures at compression. Facility enhancements to lower the suction pressure at compression allows the deliverability to increase by moving where the storage fields fall on the deliverability curves, at any given average reservoir pressure, without changes in any field parameters, as shown in Attachment 6. There are no changes to the storage fields' total inventory, reservoir pressure, reservoir or buffer boundaries, or certificated capacity.

CURRENT AND PROPOSED WORKING GAS VOLUME, CUSHION GAS VOLUME, NATIVE GAS VOLUME, DELIVERABILITY (AT MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM PRESSURE), MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM STORAGE PRESSURES, AT THE PRESENT CERTIFICATED MAXIMUM CAPACITY OR PRESSURE, WITH VOLUMES AND RATES IN MMCF AND PRESSURES IN PSIA

18 C.F.R.§157.213(c)(5)

See Volume II, Attachment 5.

Southern Star is only proposing to increase deliverability from three storage fields to meet the increase in contractual deliverability. An increase of 7 MMcf/day from both Colony and South Welda Storage Fields and an increase of 14 MMcf/day from the Elk City Storage Field will accomplish the proposed increased deliverability. All other certificated parameters at each storage field will remain as currently certificated.

LATEST FIELD INJECTION/WITHDRAWAL CAPABILITY STUDIES INCLUDING CURVES AT PRESENT AND PROPOSED WORKING GAS CAPACITY, INCLUDING AVERAGE FIELD BACK PRESSURE CURVES AND ALL OTHER RELATED DATA

18 C.F.R.§157.213(c)(6)

See Volume II, Attachment 6.

Each attached exhibit shows the current certificated deliverability point and the new proposed deliverability point on the curves. The deliverability curves are represented with solid lines at several average reservoir pressures and are based off historical pressures and flow. The dashed lines represent a 5 psig margin above and below the average field pressure.

THE LATEST INVENTORY VERIFICATION STUDY FOR THE STORAGE FIELD, INCLUDING METHODOLOGY, DATA, AND WORK PAPERS

18 C.F.R.§157.213(c)(7)

See Volume II, Attachment 7 for verification study, data, and work papers.

The methodology for inventory verification is as follows: Shut-in tests are done twice a year, in the spring and in the fall. These periods of shut-in are typically mid-March to late May for the spring test, when inventories are low, and mid-August to late October for the fall tests, when the fields are near maximum volume. Storage fields are shut-in for 7 days for each test. The individual wells are shut in at the wellhead, and pressure readings are taken on each well on the third or fourth day and the seventh day of shut-in.

The engineering staff then checks the pressure information gathered during the shut-in period for errors or anomalies. The pressure readings obtained on the last day of the test are used to calculate the average wellhead pressure.

Once the average wellhead pressure is calculated, it is input, along with the field volume at the time the test occurred, into an internally developed program called Gas Utilities, in a spreadsheet called APV Tracker, and gas loss is calculated using a material balance method calculation. Gas Utilities uses the pressures and volumes from the spring and fall shut-in test to determine an engineering calculated volume that is compared to the measured volume to determine the storage adjustment.

SHUT-IN RESERVOIR PRESSURES AND CUMULATIVE GAS-IN-PLACE AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH INJECTION AND WITHDRAWAL SEASON FOR THE LAST 10 YEARS

18 C.F.R.§157.213(c)(8)

See Volume II, Attachment 8 for the requested data from Southern Star's spring and fall shut-in periods.

DETAILED ANALYSIS, INCLUDING DATA AND WORK PAPERS, TO SUPPORT THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL FACILITIES FOR THE MODIFICATION TO IMPROVE THE CAPABILITY OF THE STORAGE FIELD.

18 C.F.R.§157.213(c)(9)

See Flow Diagram, Volume III, Attachment 2.

As shown in the Flow Diagrams in this response and with the Deliverability Curves in Attachment 6, the facility enhancements described in this filing allow Southern Star to accomplish the requested increases in deliverability without changes to any other parameters at its storage fields. The Flow Diagrams and Deliverability Curves demonstrate that without the facility enhancements at the Welda Complex, current facility or field deliverability limits would not allow Southern Star to increase deliverability from the storage fields. This increase in deliverability is also supported by existing working gas volumes that were previously reserved only for interruptible storage service due to no associated firm deliverability being previously available.

FORM OF NOTICE AND ATTACHMENTS

A proposed form of notice suitable for publication in the <u>Federal Register</u> is included herewith. In accordance with Sections 157.208(c) and 157.213(c) of the Commission's Regulations, the following attachments are also submitted herewith:

Section 157.208(c) Attachments:

Attachment 1 - Environmental Report

Attachment 1, Appendix D - List of Affected Landowners (*Privileged and Confidential submitted separately*)

Attachment 1, Appendix C - Aboveground Facilities Plot Plans (*CEII submitted separately*)

Attachment 2 - Flow Diagram (CEII submitted separately)

Section 157.213(c) Attachments (Privileged and Confidential submitted separately):

Attachment 3 – Isobaric Maps

Attachment 4 – Present and proposed storage operations

Attachment 5 – Current and proposed certificated parameters

Attachment 6 - Latest field injection / withdrawal capability studies

Attachment 7 – Latest inventory verification study

Attachment 8 – Shut-in reservoir pressure & cumulative gas-in-place data

Copies of this Request will be sent to the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, Missouri Public Service Commission and the Kansas Corporation Commission.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

18 C.F.R.§157.208(c)(7)

The proposed Project will increase the deliverability of the Welda Storage Complex by approximately 14 MMcf/d and allow an additional 14 MMcf/d from Elk City Storage Field, which will ultimately allow for conversion of existing interruptible storage capacity to firm storage capacity. These requested changes will allow for an overall increase in available firm storage capacity of approximately 0.9 Bcf. The additional storage capacity is fully contracted for, as the Project is supported by a Firm Storage Service Agreement, pursuant to which Concord Energy LLC has contracted for an initial primary term of 20 years and 5 months for the additional storage service under Southern Star Rate Schedule FSS. Accordingly, the Project is in the public convenience and necessity and should be allowed to go forward.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, Southern Star requests that the Commission, after giving public notice of this filing, allow Southern Star to construct the facilities and perform the activities herein described.

Respectfully submitted, Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc. <u>/s/ Cindy C. Thompson</u> Cindy C. Thompson Director, Regulatory, Compliance and Information Governance

VERIFICATION

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY)) ss: COUNTY OF DAVIESS)

Cindy C. Thompson, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that she is Director, Regulatory, Compliance & Information Governance for Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc.; that as such she is authorized to sign and verify the foregoing Request for Authorization to modify facilities at its Welda Compressor Station in Anderson County, Kansas to increase the deliverability of the Colony, Elk City and South Welda Storage Fields; that she has read the filing and is familiar with the contents thereof; that the matters and things set forth therein are true and correct to the best of her information, knowledge and belief; and that the proposed activity complies with the requirements of Subpart F of Part 157 of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to the best of her information, knowledge and belief.

> /s/Cindy C. Thompson Cindy C. Thompson Director, Regulatory, Compliance & Information Governance

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 16th day of May 2022.

<u>/s/Sarah R. O'Bryan</u> Notary Public Kentucky State at Large

My Commission expires August 22, 2022. Notary ID #604883

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc.

Docket No. CP22 -

PRIOR NOTICE OF ACTIVITY UNDER BLANKET CERTIFICATE

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Take notice that on______, Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc. (Southern Star) filed a prior notice request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.208(b) and 157.213(c) of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act, and Southern Star's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-479-000, for authorization to modify facilities at its Welda Compressor Station in Anderson County, Kansas to increase the deliverability of its Colony, Elk City and South Welda Storage Fields.

The purpose of the proposed Project is to increase the deliverability of the Welda Storage Complex by approximately 14 MMcf/d by utilizing increased horsepower and reduced suction pressure at the inlet of the compressor station, which would ultimately allow for conversion of existing interruptible storage capacity to firm storage capacity. An additional 14 MMcf/d in deliverability will be achieved from Elk City Storage Field by utilization of existing available horsepower at Elk City Compressor Station. Therefore, no work is necessary at Elk City Station. These requested changes would allow for an increase in available firm storage capacity of approximately 0.9 Bcf without any change to working or cushion gas or to the certificated parameters of any storage field (i.e., total inventory, reservoir pressure, reservoir and buffer boundaries, and certificated capacity of all fields will remain unchanged).

Any questions concerning this prior notice request should be directed to Cindy Thompson, Director, Regulatory, Compliance & Information Governance, Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc., 4700 State Route 56, Owensboro, Kentucky 42301, by phone at (270) 852-4655 or by email to <u>cindy.thompson@southernstar.com</u>

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 60 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205), a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the NGA.

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 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. 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 comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <u>http://www.ferc.gov</u>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 5 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <u>http://www.ferc.gov</u>, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the web site that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email <u>FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov</u>, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Comment Date: 5:00 pm Eastern Time on (insert date).

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.