

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 10674–017]

Kaukauna Utilities; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission or FERC) regulations, 18 CFR part 380, the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the application for a new license for the Kimberly Hydroelectric Project (project), located on the Lower Fox River near the Village of Kimberly in Outagamie County, Wisconsin.

The environmental assessment (EA) analyzes the potential environmental effects of continuing to operate the project, and concludes that issuing a new license for the project, with appropriate environmental measures, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the EA is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's website 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. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to Commission's Public Reference Room, due to the proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID–19), issued by the President on March 13, 2020. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at (866)–208–3676, or for TTY, (202) 502–8659. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Any comments should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance,

please contact FERC Online Support. Please put docket number “P–10674–017” on the first page of your response.

For further information, please contact Colleen Corballis by phone at (202) 502–8598, or by email at colleen.corballis@ferc.gov.

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Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP20–460–000]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review of the Clifton to Palmyra A-Line Abandonment Project

On May 21, 2020, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern) filed an application in Docket No. CP20–460–000 requesting abandonment authorization and a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity pursuant to Section 7(b) and 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act to abandon, construct, and operate certain natural gas pipeline facilities. The proposed project is known as the Clifton to Palmyra A-Line Abandonment Project (Project), and Northern states it would enhance the safety, security, and operational efficiency of its pipeline system.

On May 28, 2020, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) issued its Notice of Application for the Project. Among other things, that notice alerted agencies issuing federal authorizations of the requirement to complete all necessary reviews and to reach a final decision on a request for a federal authorization within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Project. This instant notice identifies the FERC staff's planned schedule for the completion of the EA for the Project.

Schedule for Environmental Review

Issuance of EA—September 16, 2020
90-day Federal Authorization Decision Deadline—December 15, 2020

If a schedule change becomes necessary, additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies are kept informed of the Project's progress.

Project Description

Northern proposes to abandon in-place a total of approximately 115.9

miles of its M600A and M590A 24-inch-diameter pipeline and M600J 20-inch-diameter pipeline (collectively referred to as the A-line) from Clifton, Kansas to Palmyra, Nebraska. The Project is located in Clay and Washington Counties, Kansas, and Gage, Jefferson, Lancaster, and Otoe Counties, Nebraska. Northern also would increase compression capacity at its existing Beatrice Compressor Station in Gage County, Nebraska, to replace the lost capacity from the proposed abandonment.

Background

On June 9, 2020, the Commission issued a *Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Palmyra to Clifton A-Line Abandonment Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues* (NOI). The NOI was 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. All substantive comments will be addressed in the EA.

Additional Information

In order to receive notification of the issuance of the EA and to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to <https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/overview> and follow the instructions to register for eSubscription.

Additional information about the Project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (866) 208–FERC or on the FERC website (www.ferc.gov). Using the <https://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/search/fercgensearch.asp> eLibrary link, enter the selected date range, the Docket Number excluding the last three digits (*i.e.*, CP20–460), and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to eLibrary, the helpline can be reached at (866) 208–3676, TTY (202) 502–8659, or at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. The eLibrary link on the FERC website also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rule makings.