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 protesting 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. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant and all the parties in this proceeding.

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 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 http://www.ferc.gov, using the “eLibrary” link and is available for electronic 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 FERCOnlinesupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Comment Date: 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time March 24, 2015.

Dated: March 17, 2015.

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
[Docket Nos. CP15–109–000; PF14–16–000]
Columbia Gulf Transmission, LLC; Notice of Application

Take notice that on March 6, 2015, Columbia Gulf Transmission, LLC (Columbia Gulf), filed an application pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission’s Regulations, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct, own, and operate two natural gas pipeline segments totaling approximately 34 miles and compression facilities located in Jefferson Davis, Cameron, and Calcasieu Parishes, Louisiana (Cameron Access Project). The filing may also be viewed on the web 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 at FERCOnlinesupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (866) 208–3676 or TTY, (202) 502–8659.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Tyler R. Brown, Senior Counsel, Columbia Gulf Transmission Company, 5151 San Felipe, Suite 2400, Houston, TX 77056. Telephone (713) 386–3797 and email: tbrown@nioso.com.

Columbia Gulf proposes to construct approximately 6.8 miles of 30-inch diameter natural gas pipeline loop designated West Lateral (WL) 400 Loop in Jefferson Parish, approximately 27.3 miles of 36-inch diameter natural gas pipeline segment (WL 400) in Jefferson, Davis, Cameron, and Calcasieu Parishes, and appurtenant facilities. Columbia Gulf also proposes to construct a new 12,260 horsepower compressor station (Lake Arthur Compressor Station) in Jefferson Davis Parish. The proposed project is in response to new market demands and required alterations in the direction of gas flow. The Cameron Access Project will create additional incremental capacity of up to 800 MMcf/day. Columbia Gulf has entered into binding precedent agreements with shippers providing the transportation of up to 700 MMcf/day of natural gas. Columbia Gulf proposes to charge a negotiated incremental rate for firm transportation service using the proposed project. The cost of the project is $309.9 million. Columbia Gulf proposes an in-service date of December, 2017.

On July 17, 2014, the Commission staff granted Columbia Gulf’s request to use the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Pre-Filing Process and assigned Docket No. PF14–16–000 to staff activities involving the proposed facilities. Now, as of the filing of this application on March 6, 2015, the NEPA Pre-Filing Process for this project has ended. From this time forward, this proceeding will be conducted in Docket No. CP15–109–000, as noted in the caption of this Notice.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission’s rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: Complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission’s public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding, or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff’s issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission’s public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff’s FEIS or EA.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission’s review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene, in accordance with the requirements of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214).
Commission strongly encourages site under the “e-Filing” link. The instructions on the Commission’s Web CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the via the internet in lieu of paper; see, 18 comments may be filed electronically Commission (except for the mailing of documents on all other parties. A party must submit 5 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission’s rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the parties or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission’s environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission’s environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission’s final order.

Motions to intervene, protests and comments may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper; see, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(ii) and the instructions on the Commission’s Web site under the “e-Filing” link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

Comment Date: April 7, 2015.