Guidelines for preparation of power repayment studies are included in DOE Order No. RA 6120.2 entitled Power Marketing Administration Financial Reporting. Following DOE guidelines, Southwestern prepared a 2015 Current Power Repayment Study using the existing Sam Rayburn Dam Rate Schedule. This study indicates that Southwestern’s legal requirement to repay the investment in the power generating facility for power and energy marketed by Southwestern will not be met without an increase in revenues. The need for increased revenues is primarily due to increased operations and maintenance costs and increased interest expense associated with investments and replacements in the Corps hydroelectric generating facilities.

The 2015 Revised Power Repayment Study shows that additional annual revenues of $333,672 (a 7.9 percent increase), beginning January 1, 2016, are needed to satisfy repayment criteria.

Southwestern will continue to perform its Power Repayment Studies annually, and if the 2016 results should indicate the need for additional revenues, another rate filing will be conducted and updated revenue requirements implemented for fiscal year 2017 and thereafter.

Procedures for public participation in power and transmission rate adjustments of the Power Marketing Administrations are found at title 10, part 903, subpart A of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR part 903). Southwestern’s customers and other interested parties may request copies of the 2015 Sam Rayburn Dam Power Repayment Studies and the proposed Rate Schedule. Submit requests to the Director, Division of Resources and Rates, Office of Corporate Operations, Southwestern Power Administration, One West Third, Tulsa, OK 74103, (918) 595–6684 or via email to swparates@swpa.gov.

If requested a Public Information and Comment Forum (Forum) will be held on October 22, 2015, to explain to customers and interested parties the proposed Rate Schedule and supporting 2015 Power Repayment Studies, and to allow for comment. A chairman, who will be responsible for orderly procedure, will conduct the Forum if requested. Questions concerning the rates, studies, and information presented at the Forum will be answered in writing. Questions involving voluminous data contained in Southwestern’s records may best be answered by consultation and review of pertinent records at Southwestern’s offices.

Persons requesting that a Forum be held should indicate in writing to the Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT) by letter, email, or facsimile transmission (918–595–6646) by October 16, 2015, their request for such a Forum. If no request is received, no such Forum will be held. Persons interested in speaking at the Forum, if held, should submit a request to the Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Southwestern, at least seven (7) calendar days prior to the Forum so that a list of forum participants can be developed. The chairman may allow others to speak if time permits.

A transcript of the Forum, if held, will be made. Copies of the transcript and all documents introduced will be available for review at Southwestern’s offices (see ADDRESSES) during normal business hours. Copies of the transcript and all documents introduced may also be obtained, for a fee, from the transcribing service. A copy of all written comments or an electronic copy in MS Word on the proposed Sam Rayburn Dam Rate Schedule is due on or before November 9, 2015. Comments should be submitted to the Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Southwestern, (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT).

Procedures for the confirmation and approval of rates for the Federal Power Marketing Administrations are found at title 18, part 300, subpart L of the Code of Federal Regulations (18 CFR part 300). The Acting Administrator will review and consider oral and written comments and the information gathered in the course of the proceeding when submitting the finalized Sam Rayburn Dam Power Repayment Studies and Rate Schedule Proposal in support of the proposed rate to the Deputy Secretary of Energy for confirmation and approval on an interim basis, and subsequently to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for confirmation and approval on a final basis.

Once submitted for final confirmation and approval, the Commission will allow the public an opportunity to provide written comments on the proposed rate increase before making a final decision.

Dated: September 30, 2015.
Scott Carpenter,
Acting Administrator.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER–FRL–9023–4]

Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements (EISs) Filed 09/28/2015 Through 10/02/2015 Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

Notice
Section 309(a) of the Clean Air Act requires that EPA make public its comments on EISs issued by other Federal agencies. EPA’s comment letters on EISs are available at: https://cdxnodengopa.epa.gov/cdx-enepa-public/action/eis/search.


Amended Notices
EIS No. 20150207, Draft, DOE, NH, Northern Pass Transmission Line Project, Comment Period Ends: 12/31/2015, Contact: Brian Mills 202–586–8267 Revision to FR Notice Published 07/24/2015; Extending Comment Period from 10/29/2015 to 12/31/2015.
EIS No. 20150264, Final, FHWA, TN, Pellissippi Parkway Extension (State

1 FERC, on February 6, 2014, confirmed and approved the existing Sam Rayburn Dam rate schedule for the period October 1 2013 through September 30, 2017. See 146 FERC ¶ 62,199 (FERC Docket No. EF14–2–000).
Route 162) from State Route 33 (Old Knoxville Highway) to US 321/State Route 73/Lamar Alexander Parkway, Review Period Ends: 11/18/2015, Contact: Theresa Claxton 615–781–5770. Revision to FR Notice Published: 09/18/2015; Extending Comment Period from 10/19/2015 to 11/18/2015.

EIS No. 20150278, Draft, USACE, GA, Update of the Water Control Manual for the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint River Basin in Alabama, Florida, and Georgia and Water Supply Storage Assessment, Comment Period Ends: 12/01/2015, Contact: Lewis C. Sumner 251–694–3837. Revision to FR Notice Published 10/02/2015; Correction to EIS Status should read 'Draft' and Correcting the Comment Period from 11/16/2015 to 12/1/2015.

Dated: October 6, 2015.

Karin Leff, Acting Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that on August 28, 2015, pursuant to title V of the Clean Air Act, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued a title V permit to operate (title V permit) to Great Lakes Transmission Limited Partnership. This permit authorizes Great Lakes Transmission Limited Partnership to operate a natural gas compressor station at its facility (Facility) in Deer River, Minnesota. The compressor station consists of two stationary natural gas-fired turbines, which in turn drive two natural gas compressors for the Deer River Compressor Station No. 4, which is located on the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Indian Reservation.

DATES: During the public comment period, which ended June 1, 2015, EPA received comments on the draft title V permit. Therefore, in accordance with 40 CFR 71.11(i)(2), this permit is effective 30 days after service of notice of the decision to issue the permit, October 2, 2015. 40 CFR 71.11(i)(2) provides that the final permit decision becomes effective 30 days after the service of notice of the decision unless a later effective date is specified, review is requested, or no comments requested a change in the draft permit, in which case the permit becomes effective immediately upon issuance. The exceptions noted above to the 30 days after notice of permit issuance date did not apply in this permitting action. EPA received comments on the draft permit from the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe and the Minnesota Historical Society State Historic Preservation Office during the public comment period, and changes were made to the final permit.

ADDRESSES: The final signed permit is available for public inspection online at http://yosemite.epa.gov/r5/region5.nsf/TribalPermits/OpenView, or during normal business hours at the following address: EPA, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard (AR–18J), Chicago, Illinois 60604.

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Constantine Blathras, Environmental Engineer, EPA, Region 5, 77 W. Jackson Boulevard (AR–18J), Chicago, Illinois 60604, (312) 886–0671, or blathras.constantine@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This supplemental information is organized as follows:

A. What is the background information?
B. What is the purpose of this notice?

A. What is the background information?

The Deer River Compressor Station No. 4 is owned by Great Lakes Transmission Limited Partnership. Deer River Compressor Station No. 4 consists of two stationary natural gas-fired turbines which, in turn, drive two natural gas compressors. EPA received the permit application on April 25, 2014. On April 29, 2015, EPA made available for a 30-day public comment a draft Federal title V permit to operate (V–LL–2706100011–14–01) in accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR 71.11(d). This title V permit incorporates all applicable air quality requirements for the Deer River Compressor Station No. 4, including the monitoring necessary to ensure compliance with these requirements. EPA received written comments, responded to those comments, finalized the permit and provided copies to the applicant pursuant to 40 CFR 71.11(i).

B. What is the purpose of this notice?

EPA is notifying the public of the issuance of the title V permit to Great Lakes Transmission Limited Partnership on August 28, 2015. Because EPA received comments on the draft title V permit, it is effective 30 days after notice of permit issuance, October 2, 2015, pursuant to 40 CFR 71.11(i)(2).

Dated: September 25, 2015.

Susan Hedman, Regional Administrator, Region 5.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY


Agency Information Collection Activities; Information Collection Request Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Health and Safety Data Reporting, Submission of Lists and Copies of Health and Safety Studies

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA has submitted the following information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA): “Health and Safety Data Reporting, Submission of Lists and Copies of Health and Safety Studies” and identified by EPA ICR No. 0575.15 and OMB Control No. 2070–0004. The ICR, which is available in the docket along with other related materials, provides a detailed explanation of the collection activities and the burden estimate that is only briefly summarized in this document. EPA did not receive any comments in response to the previously provided public review opportunity issued in the Federal Register on March 30, 2015 (80 FR 16672). With this submission, EPA is providing an additional 30 days for public review.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before November 9, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA–HQ–OPPT–2014–0734, to both EPA and OMB as follows:

• To EPA online using http://www.regulations.gov (our preferred method) or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460.

• To OMB via email to oira_submission@omb.eop.gov. Address comments to OMB Desk Officer for EPA.