

Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214, respectively. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

*o. Filing and Service of Documents:* Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person commenting, protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis. Any filing made by an intervenor must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2010.

Dated: May 12, 2016.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP16-361-000]

#### Columbia Gulf Transmission, LLC; Notice of Application

Take notice that on April 29, 2016, Columbia Gulf Transmission, LLC (Columbia Gulf), 5151 San Felipe, Suite 2400, Houston, Texas 77056, filed in Docket No. CP16-361-000 an application pursuant to sections 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations requesting authorization to construct and operate the Gulf XPress Project, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site 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](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call toll-free, (866) 208-3676 or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Matthew J. Agen, Senior Counsel, Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC, 5151 San Felipe, Suite 2400, Houston, Texas 77056 at (713) 386-3619.

Specifically Columbia Gulf proposes to construct and operate seven new compressor stations and add compression to an existing compressor station, as well as other appurtenant facilities located in Kentucky, Tennessee, and Mississippi. The project will provide approximately 860,000 dekatherms per day of additional capacity for firm transportation service. Columbia Gas is proposing incremental rates for transportation service on the facilities proposed for construction herein. Columbia Gulf is proposing to establish incremental rates for transportation service on the facilities proposed for construction herein. The cost of the project will be approximately \$674 million.

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 for Environmental Review 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 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit seven copies of filings made in the proceeding with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party. 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 party 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 commentors 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 commentors will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commentors 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.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, 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 7 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on June 3, 2016.

Dated: May 13, 2016.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9946-73-OA]

### Notification of a Public Meeting of the Science Advisory Board; Lake Erie Phosphorus Objectives Review Panel

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a public meeting of the SAB Lake Erie Phosphorus Objectives Review Panel to provide advice on the development of phosphorus loading targets for Lake Erie.

**DATES:** The public meeting will be held on June 21, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Central Time) and on June 22, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Central Time).

**ADDRESSES:** The public meeting will be held at the Palmer House Hilton Hotel, 17 East Monroe Street, Chicago, Illinois 60603.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public who wants further information concerning this public meeting may contact Dr. Thomas Armitage, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office (1400R), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460; by telephone at (202) 564-2155 or via email at [armitage.thomas@epa.gov](mailto:armitage.thomas@epa.gov). General information concerning the SAB can be found at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Background:** The SAB was established pursuant to the Environmental Research, Development, and Demonstration Authorization Act (ERDAA), codified at 42 U.S.C. 4365, to provide independent scientific and technical advice to the Administrator on the technical basis for Agency positions and regulations. The SAB is a Federal Advisory Committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App. 2. The SAB will comply with the provisions of FACA and all appropriate SAB Staff Office procedural policies. Pursuant to FACA and EPA policy, notice is hereby given

that the SAB Lake Erie Phosphorus Objectives Review Panel will hold a public meeting to provide advice to the EPA on the development of phosphorus loading targets for Lake Erie. The Panel will provide advice to the Administrator through the chartered SAB. The Panel previously met in 2014 to develop advice on modeling approaches to meet the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement (GLWQA) Lake Ecosystem Objectives (79 FR 68441-68442).

EPA Region 5 is co-leading a binational workgroup to develop and implement the Nutrients Annex ("Annex 4") of the 2012 GLWQA in accordance with Article 3(b)(i) of the GLWQA. Under Annex 4, the United States and Canada were charged with establishing binational Substance Objectives for phosphorus concentrations, loading targets, and allocations for the nearshore and offshore waters of Lake Erie. The EPA Region 5 Water Division has requested that the SAB review modeling results that informed the development of the binational phosphorus reduction targets. The EPA has also requested advice on future work to support implementation and evaluation of nutrient reduction goals for Lake Erie. The SAB Panel will review the documents titled *Annex 4 Ensemble Modeling Report and Appendix B*, and *Recommended Phosphorus Loading Targets for Lake Erie*. Additional information about this SAB advisory activity can be found at the following URL [http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/fedgrstr\\_activites/GLWQA%20Annex%204?OpenDocument](http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/fedgrstr_activites/GLWQA%20Annex%204?OpenDocument).

**Technical Contacts:** Any technical questions concerning work conducted under the GLWQA Annex 4 and the documents to be reviewed by the SAB should be directed to Ms. Santina Wortman, Water Division, U.S. EPA Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevard (WW-15J), Chicago, Illinois 60604, by telephone at (312) 353-8319 or via email at [wortman.santina@epa.gov](mailto:wortman.santina@epa.gov).

**Availability of the meeting materials:** Prior to the meeting, the review documents, meeting agenda and other materials will be accessible on the meeting page on the SAB Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/sab>.

**Procedures for Providing Public Input:** Public comment for consideration by EPA's federal advisory committees and panels has a different purpose from public comment provided to EPA program offices. Therefore, the process for submitting comments to a federal advisory committee is different from the process used to submit comments to an EPA program office. Federal advisory committees and panels, including

scientific advisory committees, provide independent advice to the EPA. Interested members of the public may submit relevant information on the topic of this advisory activity, including the charge to the panel and the EPA review documents, and/or the group conducting the activity, for the SAB to consider during the advisory process. Input from the public to the SAB will have the most impact if it consists of comments that provide specific scientific or technical information or analysis for the SAB panel to consider or if it relates to the clarity or accuracy of the technical information. Members of the public wishing to provide comment should contact the DFO directly.

**Oral Statements:** In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at the meeting will be limited to five minutes per speaker. Interested parties should contact Dr. Thomas Armitage, DFO, in writing (preferably via email), at the contact information noted above, by June 14, 2016 to be placed on the list of public speakers for the meeting.

**Written Statements:** Written statements will be accepted throughout the advisory process; however, for timely consideration by Panel members, statements should be supplied to the DFO (preferably via email) at the contact information noted above by June 14, 2016. It is the SAB Staff Office general policy to post written comments on the Web page for advisory meetings. Submitters are requested to provide an unsigned version of each document because the SAB Staff Office does not publish documents with signatures on its Web sites. Members of the public should be aware that their personal contact information, if included in any written comments, may be posted to the SAB Web site. Copyrighted material will not be posted without explicit permission of the copyright holder.

**Accessibility:** For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Dr. Armitage at the contact information provided above. To request accommodation of a disability, please contact Dr. Armitage preferably at least ten days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: May 13, 2016.

**Thomas H. Brennan,**  
Deputy Director, EPA Science Advisory Board Staff Office.

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