

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP17-485-000]

**Tallgrass Interstate Gas Transmission, LLC; Notice of Application**

Take notice that on August 18, 2017, Tallgrass Interstate Gas Transmission, LLC (Tallgrass), 370 Van Gordon Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80228, filed an application pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations requesting authority to abandon a 47-mile 16-inch-diameter pipe segment (Segment 55) on its pipeline system from the discharge side of the existing Labonte Compressor Station located in Converse County, Wyoming to the inlet side of the existing Guernsey Compressor Station located in Platte County, Wyoming. Tallgrass states that Segment 55 will be abandoned in place and sold to Tallgrass Midstream, LLC (TMID), an affiliate. Upon authorization to abandon the facilities described above, TMID will purchase, convert, own and operate the pipeline segment as a crude oil pipeline to meet the increasing demand for pipeline transportation of crude oil. The filing may 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](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call toll-free, (886) 208-3676 or TYY, (202) 502-8659.

Any questions concerning this application should be directed to David Haag, Vice President, Regulatory, Tallgrass Interstate Gas Transmission, LLC, 370 Van Gordon Street Lakewood, CO 80228-1519, phone: (303) 763-3258 or email: [David.Haag@tallgrassenergyllp.com](mailto:David.Haag@tallgrassenergyllp.com).

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 385.214 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 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 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 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.

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 5 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 September 14, 2017.

Dated: August 24, 2017.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[CERCLA-04-2017-3758; FRL-9966-03-Region 4]**

**Former Douglas Battery Site, Winston-Salem, Forsyth County, North Carolina; Notice of Settlement****Correction**

In notice document 2017-17737, appearing on page 39785, in the issue of Tuesday, August 22, 2017, make the following correction:

On page 39785, in the second column, in the **DATES** section, on the third line, the entry "October 23, 2017" should read "September 21, 2017".

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[EPA-HQ-OPPT-2017-0139; FRL-9966-83]**

**Methylene Chloride in Furniture Refinishing; Workshop**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** On September 12, 2017, EPA is holding a workshop on the use of methylene chloride in furniture refinishing. In a proposed rule published on January 19, 2017, EPA proposed to prohibit manufacture (including import), processing, and distribution in commerce of methylene chloride in consumer paint and coating removal and most types of commercial paint and coating removal, except for

commercial furniture refinishing. This workshop will help inform EPA's understanding of methylene chloride use in furniture refinishing. Federal and state governments, industry professionals, furniture refinishing experts, non-government organizations, and academic experts, among others, will discuss the role of methylene chloride in furniture refinishing, potential alternatives, economic impacts, and other issues identified in EPA's January 2017 proposed rule on methylene chloride, which deferred action on the use of methylene chloride in commercial furniture refinishing. This information will allow EPA to better understand current work practices and obtain additional information on the economic considerations involved in selecting chemical products for paint and coating removal in the furniture refinishing sector. The meeting also aims to facilitate an exchange of information on existing use practices and furniture refinishers' experience, in general, with paint removal products and methods.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held in Boston on September 12, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

To request accommodation of a disability, please contact the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**, preferably at least 10 days prior to the meeting, to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

**Meeting Registration.** You may register online (preferred) or in person at the meeting. To register online for the meeting, go to: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/us-epa-public-meeting-on-methylene-chloride-in-furniture-refinishing-tickets-36895406153>. Advance registration for the meeting must be completed no later than September 10, 2017. On-site registration will be permitted, but seating and speaking priority will be given to those who pre-register by the deadline.

**Comments.** EPA will hear oral comments at the meeting, and will accept written comments and materials submitted to docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2017-0139 at <http://www.regulations.gov> on or before November 12, 2017. For further information about participation and submitting materials, see Unit III: How Can I Request to Participate in this Meeting?

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at held at EPA's Region 1 office at 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100, Boston, MA 02109-3912.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

*For technical information contact:* Ingrid Feustel, Chemical Control Division (7405M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 564-3199; email address: [Feustel.ingrid@epa.gov](mailto:Feustel.ingrid@epa.gov).

*For general information contact:* The TSCA-Hotline, ABVI-Goodwill, 422 South Clinton Ave., Rochester, NY 14620; telephone number: (202) 554-1404; email address: [TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov](mailto:TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **I. General Information**

###### *A. Does this action apply to me?*

This action may be of particular interest to entities that manufacture (defined under TSCA to include import), process, distribute in commerce, use or dispose of methylene chloride or other chemicals in furniture restoration, especially entities identified under North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) code 811420. Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities and corresponding NAICS codes for entities that may be interested in or affected by this action.

###### *B. How can I get copies of this document and other related information?*

The docket for this action, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2017-0139 is available at <http://www.regulations.gov> or at the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics Docket (OPPT Docket), Environmental Protection Agency Docket Center (EPA/DC), West William Jefferson Clinton Bldg., Rm. 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC. The Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the OPPT Docket is (202) 566-0280. Please review the visitor instructions and additional information about the docket available at <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

##### **II. Background**

In the **Federal Register** of January 19, 2017 (82 FR 7464) (FRL-9958-57), EPA proposed to prohibit manufacture (including import), processing, and distribution in commerce of methylene chloride in consumer paint and coating removal and in most types of commercial paint and coating removal, excluding commercial furniture refinishing. In that notice, the Agency

announced its intention to hold a public meeting to learn more about methylene chloride use in furniture refinishing. This workshop will help EPA and all stakeholders better understand challenges in commercial furniture refinishing. The workshop aims to facilitate an exchange of information on existing use and work practices, the needs, and preferences and expertise of craftspeople, and the availability and effectiveness of paint and coating removal approaches. Federal and state governments, industry professionals, furniture restoration experts, non-profit organizations, and academic experts, among others, will discuss the role of methylene chloride in furniture restoration. The workshop will include presentations by subject matter experts, with sessions focused on current use practices, the availability of safer alternatives in furniture refinishing, and worker protection measures. The workshop will include opportunities for public comment.

##### **III. How can I request to participate in this meeting?**

###### *A. Registration*

To attend the meeting in person or to receive remote access, you must register no later than September 10, 2017, by visiting: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/us-epa-public-meeting-on-methylene-chloride-in-furniture-refinishing-tickets-36895406153>. While on-site registration will be available, seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis, with priority given to early registrants, until room capacity is reached. For registrants not able to attend in person, the meeting will also provide remote access capabilities; registered participants will be provided information on how to connect to the meeting prior to its start.

###### *B. Submitting Written Materials*

You may submit written information for consideration during or after this meeting. Information should be submitted to docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2017-139 available at <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting information or comments. Once submitted, this information cannot be edited or withdrawn. EPA may publish any information received to its public docket. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Multimedia submissions (audio, video, etc.) must be accompanied by a written statement or information. Information

must be received on or before November 12, 2017.

**Authority:** 15 U.S.C. 2605.

**Dated:** August 24, 2017.

**Wendy Cleland-Hamnett,**

*Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention.*

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## FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

[NV-17-24]

### Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity

**AGENCY:** Farm Credit Administration.

**ACTION:** Policy statement.

**SUMMARY:** The Farm Credit Administration (FCA) Board recently updated its Policy Statement on Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity.

**DATES:** August 24, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Thais Burlew, Director of Equal Employment Opportunity and Inclusion, Farm Credit Administration, 1501 Farm Credit Drive, McLean Virginia 22102-5090, (703) 883-4290, TTY (703) 883-4352.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** While not required by law, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) has determined that reissuance of an agency's EEO policy statement each fiscal year is a symbol of the agency leadership's commitment to EEO and Diversity principles. The FCA conducted its annual review of Policy Statement FCA-PS-62 on Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and Diversity. The policy has no changes other than a citation clarification.

The text of the updated Policy Statement is set forth below in its entirety. All FCA Board policy statements may be viewed on FCA's Web site. From [www.fca.gov](http://www.fca.gov), select "Laws & Regulations," then select "FCA Handbook," then select "FCA Board Policy Statements."

### Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity

#### FCA-PS-62

*Effective Date:* August 24, 2017.

*Effect on Previous Action:* Replaces FCA-PS-62 [NV16-14] dated August 12, 2016 (81 FR 53482, 8/12/16).

*Source of Authority:* Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000e *et seq.*); Age Discrimination in Employment Act (29 U.S.C. 621 *et seq.*); Section 501 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended

(29 U.S.C. 791); Equal Pay Act of 1974 (29 U.S.C. 206(d)); Civil Service Reform Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. 3112); Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act) (5 U.S.C. 2301); Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008 (42 U.S.C. 2000ff *et seq.*); section 5.9 of the Farm Credit Act of 1971, as amended (12 U.S.C. 2243); Executive Order 11478 (Equal Employment Opportunity in the Federal Government), as amended by Executive Orders 13087 and 13152 to include prohibitions on discrimination based on sexual orientation and status as a parent; Executive Order 13166 (Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency); 29 CFR part 1614; Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Management Directives.

The Farm Credit Administration Board hereby adopts the following policy statement:

#### Purpose

The Farm Credit Administration (FCA or Agency) Board reaffirms its commitment to Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and Diversity (EEO) and its belief that all FCA employees should be treated with dignity and respect. The Board also provides guidance to Agency management and staff for deciding and taking action in these critical areas.

#### Importance

Unquestionably, the employees who comprise the FCA are its most important resource. The Board fully recognizes that the Agency draws its strength from the dedication, experience, and diversity of its employees. The Board is firmly committed to taking whatever steps are needed to protect the rights of its staff and to carrying out programs that foster the development of each employee's potential. We believe an investment in efforts that strongly promote EEO will prevent the conflict and the high costs of correction for taking no, or inadequate, action in these areas.

*The Farm Credit Administration (FCA) Board adopts the following policy statement:*

It is the policy of the FCA to prohibit discrimination in Agency policies, program practices, and operations. Employees, applicants for employment, and members of the public who seek to take part in FCA programs, activities, and services will be treated fairly. The FCA Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) is ultimately responsible for ensuring that FCA meets all EEO requirements and initiatives in

accordance with laws and regulations, to maintain a workplace that is free from discrimination and that values all employees. FCA, under the appropriate laws and regulations, will:

- Ensure equal employment opportunity based on merit and qualification, without discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex (including sexual orientation), age (40 or older), national origin, disability, status as a parent, genetic information, or filing of a complaint, participation in discrimination or harassment complaint proceedings, or other opposition to discrimination;
- Provide for the prompt and fair consideration of complaints of discrimination;
- Make reasonable accommodations for qualified applicants for employment and employees with physical or mental disabilities under law;
- Make reasonable accommodations based on applicants' and employees' religious beliefs or practices, consistent with Title VII;
- Provide an environment free from harassment to all employees;
- Create and maintain an organizational culture that recognizes, values, and supports employee and public diversity and inclusion;
- Develop objectives within the Agency's operation and strategic planning process to meet the goals of EEO and this policy;
- Implement affirmative programs to carry out this policy within the Agency; and
- To the extent practicable, seek to encourage the Farm Credit System to continue its efforts to promote and increase diversity.

#### Diversity and Inclusion

The FCA intends to be a model employer. That is, as far as possible, FCA will build and maintain a workforce that reflects the rich diversity of individual differences evident throughout this Nation. The Board views individual differences as complementary and believes these differences enrich our organization. When individual differences are respected, recognized, and valued, diversity becomes a powerful force that can contribute to achieving superior results. Therefore, we will create, maintain, and continuously improve on an organizational culture that fully recognizes, values, and supports employee diversity. The Board is committed to promoting and supporting an inclusive environment that provides to all employees, individually and collectively, the chance to work to their full potential in the pursuit of the