

structure; (3) a 112-foot-long, 88-foot-wide, 46-foot-high powerhouse containing two 5.04-megawatt (MW) turbine-generator units, with a total capacity of 10.08 MW; (4) a 3,000-foot-long, 100-foot-wide tailrace; (5) two 4.16-kilovolt, 120-foot-long underground generator leads; (6) a 60-foot-long by 48-foot-wide electrical switchyard; and (7) appurtenant facilities.

The Granby Project is operated in a modified run-of-river mode. The Granby Project and the Fulton Development at Erie's Oswego River Hydroelectric Project (FERC Project No. 2474) are located at opposite ends of the same dam and share a single bypassed reach and reservoir. The flow and impoundment elevation requirements in the Oswego Project license,¹ which were based on a 2004 Offer of Settlement, affect the Granby Project. The average annual generation at the Granby Project is estimated to be 44,181 megawatt-hours.

o. A copy of the application 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. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

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.

p. Procedural schedule and final amendments: The application will be processed according to the following preliminary schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Deficiency Letter (if necessary)—June 2018

Request Additional Information—June 2018

Issue Acceptance Letter—September 2018

Issue Scoping Document 1—September 2018

Comments on Scoping Document 1 due—October 2018

Issue Scoping Document 2 (if necessary)—December 2018

Issue Notice of Ready for Environmental Analysis—January 2019

Commission issues EA—June 2019

Comments on EA—July 2019

q. Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of the notice of ready for environmental analysis.

Dated: April 9, 2018.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP18-137-000 PF17-6-000]

Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC; Notice of Application

Take notice that on March 26, 2018, Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC (Columbia), 700 Louisiana Street, Suite 700, Houston, Texas 77002-2700, filed in Docket No. CP18-137-000, an application pursuant to sections 7(b) and 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for its proposed Buckeye XPress Project. Specifically, Columbia proposes to: (i) Construct approximately 66.2 miles of 36-inch-diameter pipeline and appurtenances; and (ii) abandon approximately 60.8 miles of 20- and 24-inch-diameter pipeline and appurtenances, all located in Vinton, Jackson, Gallia, and Lawrence Counties, Ohio and Wayne County, West Virginia. The project would provide 275,000 dekatherms per day of firm transportation service. Columbia estimates the cost of the Buckeye XPress Project to be \$709,200,216, 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 website 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, (886) 208-3676 or TYY, (202) 502-8659.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Robert Jackson, Manager, Certificates & Regulatory Administration, Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC, 700 Louisiana Street, Suite 700, Houston, Texas 77002-2700, by telephone at (832) 320-5487 or by email at robert.jackson@transcanada.com.

On August 1, 2017, Commission staff granted Columbia's request to utilize the

Pre-Filing Process and assigned Docket No. PF17-6-000 to staff activities involved in the Buckeye XPress Project. Now, as of the March 26, 2018 application, the Pre-Filing Process for this project has ended. From this time forward, this proceeding will be conducted in CP18-137-000, as noted in the caption of the 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 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 environmental assessment (EA) for this proposal. 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 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

¹ 109 FERC ¶ 62, 141 (2004).

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 seven 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 April 30, 2018.

Dated: April 9, 2018.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM18-9-000; Docket No. AD18-10-000]

Participation of Distributed Energy Resource Aggregations in Markets Operated by Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators; Distributed Energy Resources-Technical Considerations for the Bulk Power System; Further Supplemental Notice of Technical Conference

As announced in a Notice of Technical Conference issued on February 15, 2018 and a Supplemental Notice of Technical Conference issued on March 29, 2018, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission)

staff will hold a technical conference on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 and Wednesday, April 11, 2018, to discuss the participation of distributed energy resource (DER) aggregations in Regional Transmission Organization (RTO) and Independent System Operator (ISO) markets and to more broadly discuss the potential effects of DERs on the bulk power system. On April 10, 2018, the conference will commence at 10:15 a.m. and end at 4:45 p.m. On April 11, 2018, the conference will commence at 9:00 a.m. and end at 5:00 p.m. The conference will be held at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. Commissioners will lead the second panel of the technical conference. Commission staff will lead the other six panels, and Commissioners may attend.

The updated agenda for this technical conference is attached. All changes to the agenda since the Commission's March 29, 2018 Supplemental Notice of Technical Conference appear in italics.

All interested persons may attend the conference, and registration is not required. However, in-person attendees are encouraged to register on-line by April 3, 2018 at: <https://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/04-10-18-form.asp>. In-person attendees should allow time to pass through building security procedures before the start time of the technical conference.

The Commission will transcribe and webcast this conference. Transcripts will be available immediately for a fee from Ace Reporting (202-347-3700). A link to the webcast of this event will be available in the Commission Calendar of Events at www.ferc.gov. The Capitol Connection provides technical support for the webcasts and offers the option of listening to the conference via phone-bridge for a fee. For additional information, visit www.CapitolConnection.org or call (703) 993-3100.

While this conference is not for the purpose of discussing specific cases, it may address matters at issue in the following Commission proceedings that are pending:

- Advanced Energy Economy, Docket No. EL17-75-001
- Southern California Edison Company, Docket No. ER18-1248-000

Commission conferences are accessible under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. For accessibility accommodations please send an email to accessibility@ferc.gov or call toll free 1-866-208-3372 (voice) or 202-208-8659 (TTY), or send a fax to 202-208-2106 with the required accommodations.

For more information about this technical conference, please contact David Kathan at (202) 502-6404, david.kathan@ferc.gov, or Louise Nutter at (202) 502-8175, louise.nutter@ferc.gov. For information related to logistics, please contact Sarah McKinley at (202) 502-8368, sarah.mckinley@ferc.gov.

Dated: April 9, 2018.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP18-149-000]

Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

Take notice that on March 29, 2018, Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC (Columbia), 700 Louisiana Street, Suite 700, Houston, Texas 77002-2700, filed in Docket No. CP18-149-000 a prior notice request pursuant to sections 157.205 and 157.213(b) of the Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA), requesting authorization to construct and operate one new horizontal storage well, designated Well 12606, and one new vertical observation well, designated Well 12607, and related pipelines and appurtenances at Columbia's Pavonia Storage Field, located in Ashland and Richland Counties, Ohio. Columbia estimates the cost of the proposed project to be approximately \$5,000,000, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. 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, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Linda Farquhar, Manager, Project Determinations & Regulatory Administration, Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC, 700 Louisiana Street, Suite 700, Houston, Texas 77002-2700, by telephone at (832) 320-5685, by fax at (832) 320-6685, or by