proceeding. To become a party, you must intervene in the proceeding.

How To File Protests, Interventions, and Comments

There are two ways to submit protests, motions to intervene, and comments. In both instances, please reference the Project docket number CP27–19–000 in your submission.

(1) You may file your protest, motion to intervene, and comments by using the Commission's eFiling feature, which is located on the Commission's website (*www.ferc.gov)* under the link to Documents and Filings. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on ''eRegister.'' You will be asked to select the type of filing you are making; first select ''General'' and then select ''Protest'', ''Intervention'', or ''Comment on a Filing''; or [8]

(2) You can file a paper copy of your submission by mailing it to the address below. Your submission must reference the Project docket number CP27–19–000.

To file via USPS: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

To file via any other method: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

The Commission encourages electronic filing of submissions (option 1 above) and has eFiling staff available to assist you at (202) 502–8258 or *FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov.*

Protests and motions to intervene must be served on the applicant either by mail at: to Dave Feeman, Director, Pipeline Operations, Spire Midstream LLC, 329 Josephville Road, Wentzville, Missouri 63385, or by email (with a link to the document) at *Dave.Feeman@spireenergy.com.* Any subsequent submissions by an intervenor must be served on the applicant and all other parties to the proceeding. Contact information for parties can be downloaded from the service list at the eService link on FERC Online.

Tracking the Proceeding

Throughout the proceeding, additional information about the project will be available from OPP at (202) 502–6595 or on the FERC website at *www.ferc.gov* using the ''eLibrary'' link as described above. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of all formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription which allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. For more information and to register, go to *www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp.*

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[8] Additionally, you may file your comments electronically by using the eComment feature, which is located on the Commission's website at *www.ferc.gov* under the link to Documents and Filings. Using eComment is an easy method for interested persons to submit brief, text-only comments on a project.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP26–572–000]

Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc.; Notice of Schedule for the Preparation of an Environmental Assessment for the Evergy Mcnew Power Plant Delivery Project

On August 31, 2026, Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc. (Southern Star) filed an application in Docket No. CP26–572 requesting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act to construct and operate certain natural gas pipeline facilities. The proposed project is known as the Evergy McNew Power Plant Delivery Project (Project), which would provide up to 123,000 million cubic feet per day (MMcf/d) of firm natural gas transportation service from Southern Star's existing mainline facilities to support operation of Evergy Kansas Central, Inc.'s planned new McNew Power Plant in Reno County, Kansas, a natural gas-fueled combined-cycle turbine generating facility that Southern Star asserts would enhance electric system reliability across the region.[1]

On September 15, 2026, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) issued its Notice of Application for the Project. Among other things, that notice alerted agencies issuing federal authorizations of the requirement to complete all necessary reviews and to reach a final decision on a request for a federal authorization within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's environmental document for the Project.

This notice identifies Commission staff's intention to prepare an environmental assessment (EA) for the Project and the planned schedule for the completion of the environmental review.[2] The EA will be issued for a 30-day comment period.

Schedule for Environmental Review

Issuance of EA—June 7, 2027
90-day Federal Authorization Decision Deadline [3]—September 5, 2027

If a schedule change becomes necessary, additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies are kept informed of the Project's progress.

Project Description

The Evergy McNew Power Plant Delivery Project would consist of the following facilities, all within the state of Kansas:

- Construction and operation of:
  - a new 1.6-mile-long 30-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline (Line RE) extending from a new, greenfield compressor station (Hutchinson Compressor Station) to the new Evergy Meter Station at the McNew Power Plant in Reno County;
  - the new Hutchinson Compressor Station and associated infrastructure along Southern Star's existing 26-inch-diameter Hugoton Loop Line RA in Reno County;
  - a new measurement and flow control station (Evergy Meter Station) and associated infrastructure at the McNew Plant in Reno County;
- Modifications within the existing Hesston Compressor Station in Harvey County and the existing Stafford Compressor Station in Stafford County;
- Installation of:
  - tie-in piping, a pig launcher, and associated infrastructure at the

[1] The Notice of Scoping incorrectly stated that the McNew Power Plant would undergo a ''planned conversion to a natural gas-fueled electric generation facility.'' The McNew Power Plant is a proposed *new* combined cycle gas turbine plant receiving up to 123,000 MMcf/d from Southern Star. This Notice of Schedule reflects the correct project description.

[2] For tracking purposes under the National Environmental Policy Act, the unique identification number for documents relating to this environmental review is EAXX–019–20–000–1788525221.

[3] The Commission's deadline applies to the decisions of other federal agencies, and state agencies acting under federally delegated authority, that are responsible for federal authorizations, permits, and other approvals necessary for proposed projects under the Natural Gas Act. Per 18 CFR 157.22(a), the Commission's deadline for other agency's decisions applies unless a schedule is otherwise established by federal law.

connection to the existing Southern Star mainline system in Reno County; and

○ a new pig receiver and associated infrastructure at the Evergy Meter Station in Reno County.

Background

On October 1, 2026, the Commission issued a *Notice of Scoping Period Requesting Comments on Environmental Issues for the Proposed Evergy McNew Power Plant Delivery Project* (Notice of Scoping). The Notice of Scoping was sent to affected landowners; federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. In response to the Notice of Scoping, the Commission received comments from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District; and local residents Jared and Yolanda Oatney (comments filed by their counsel Diana Stanley on their behalf), and Alexia S. Welch. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers noted that should the Project involved dredge or fill in any waters of the United States, a Department of Army permit may be required. The Oatneys raised concerns on routing, geology, impacts on the nearby airfield, special status species, designated critical habitat, and general wildlife. Alexia Welch raised concerns on potential effects on groundwater resources; geology and geologic hazards; air quality and noise; emergency response capacity; routing and land use considerations; special status species; and the cumulative environmental impacts of existing and planned industrial development. All substantive comments will be addressed in the EA.

Additional Information

In order to receive notification of the issuance of the EA and to keep track of formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription. This service provides automatic notification of filings made to subscribed dockets, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to *https://www.ferc.gov/ferc-online/overview* to register for eSubscription.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502–6595 or *OPP@ferc.gov.*

Additional information about the Project is available from the FERC website (*www.ferc.gov*). Using the ''eLibrary'' link, select ''General Search'' from the eLibrary menu, enter the selected date range and ''Docket Number'' excluding the last three digits (*i.e.,* CP26–572), and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to eLibrary, the helpline can be reached at (866) 208–3676, TTY (202) 502–8659, or at *FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov.* The eLibrary link on the FERC website also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rule makings.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IN79–6–000]

FERC Form 580 Interrogatories on Fuel and Energy Purchase Practices; Notice of Request for Partial Waiver

Take notice that on October 29, 2026, pursuant to Rule 207(a)(5) of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure,[1] DTE Electric Company submitted a request for a partial waiver of the requirement to respond to the 2026 FERC Form 580 Interrogatory on Fuel and Energy Purchase Practices, as more fully explained in the request.

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 protestants 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.

In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (*http://www.ferc.gov*). From the Commission's Home Page on the internet, this information is available on eLibrary. The full text of this document is available on eLibrary in PDF and Microsoft Word format for viewing, printing, and/or downloading. To access this document in eLibrary, type the docket number excluding the last three digits of this document in the docket number field.

User assistance is available for eLibrary and the Commission's website during normal business hours from FERC Online Support at 202–502–6652 (toll free at 1–866–208–3676) or email at *ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov,* or the Public Reference Room at (202) 502–8371, TTY (202) 502–8659. Email the Public Reference Room at *public.referenceroom@ferc.gov.*

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 may mail similar pleadings to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426. Hand delivered submissions in docketed proceedings should be delivered to Health and Human Services, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502–6595 or *OPP@ferc.gov.*

Comment Date: 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on December 9, 2026.

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[1] 18 CFR 385.207.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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Tres Palacios Gas Storage LLC; Notice of Schedule for the Preparation of an Environmental Assessment for the Tres Palacios Smith Cavern Expansion Project

On July 22, 2026, Tres Palacios Gas Storage LLC (Tres Palacios) filed an application in Docket No. CP26–556–000, requesting Authorization pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act to construct and operate the Tres Palacios Smith Cavern Expansion Project