

Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) for a Presidential permit. The proposed LEL Project would consist of up to three underwater High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) transmission systems under Lake Erie, each with a transfer capability of 325 megawatts (MW). The LEL Project would connect the control areas of the Ontario Independent Electricity Market Operator (IMO) with the control area of the Pennsylvania-New Jersey-Maryland Interconnection (PJM). In Ontario, the LEL Project would connect to the 230,000-volt (230-kV) bulk power system at the Nanticoke switchyard. In the U.S., the LEL Project would connect to the 345-kV bulk power system at the Erie West substation in Springfield Township, Pennsylvania.

The stated purpose of the LEL Project is to develop a fully controllable, bi-directional, electric transmission interconnection with a total transfer capability of up to 975 MW between Ontario and the U.S. Each of the HVDC transmission systems would consist of several miles of buried land-based HVDC cables, approximately 68 miles (109 kilometers (km)) of cable buried underwater in Lake Erie, and converter terminal facilities in Ontario and Pennsylvania.

The proposed LEL Project is exclusively a transmission system interconnection. The proposed project neither includes construction of any generation facilities in either country, nor is it dedicated or directly connected to any particular generation facility in either country. LEL LLC would sell the rights to transmit electricity over the LEL Project through an "open season" bidding process that has been approved in the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) LEL Project Authorization of February 13, 2002, Docket No. ER02-406-0002. LEL LLC states that it would not own or take title to any electric energy transmitted over the LEL Project.

Although LEL LLC's application to FERC contemplated a possible separate cable system constructed to Ohio, that option is not part of this application. LEL LLC represents that it has postponed further study of the Ohio cable system pending the results of the open season process. This Application proposes to construct cable systems exclusively to Pennsylvania.

Since the restructuring of the electric power industry began, resulting in the introduction of different types of competitive entities into the marketplace, DOE has consistently expressed its policy that cross-border trade in electric energy should be subject to the same principles of

comparable open access and non-discrimination that apply to transmission in interstate commerce. DOE has stated that policy in export authorizations granted to entities requesting authority to export over international transmission facilities. Specifically, DOE expects transmitting utilities owning border facilities constructed pursuant to Presidential permits to provide access across the border in accordance with the principles of comparable open access and non-discrimination contained in the Federal Power Act and articulated in FERC Order No. 888, as amended ("Promoting Wholesale Competition Through Open Access Non-Discriminatory Transmission Services by Public Utilities"). In furtherance of this policy, DOE intends to condition any Presidential permit issued in this proceeding on compliance with these open access principles.

Procedural Matters

Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding or to be heard by filing comments or protests to this application should file a petition to intervene, comment or protest at the address provided above in accordance with § 385.211 or § 385.214 of the FERC's rules of practice and procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of each petition and protest should be filed with the DOE on or before the date listed above.

Additional copies of such petitions to intervene or protests also should be filed directly with: Michael D. Ernst, on behalf of Lake Erie Link LLC, 110 Turnpike Road, Suite 300, Westborough, MA 01581-2864, and with George H. Williams, Jr., Cameron McKenna LLP, 2175 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20037-1809.

Before a Presidential permit may be issued or amended, the DOE must determine that the proposed action will not adversely impact on the reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system. In addition, DOE must consider the environmental impacts of the proposed action (i.e., granting the Presidential permit, with any conditions and limitations, or denying the permit) pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). DOE also must obtain the concurrence of the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense before taking final action on a Presidential permit application.

The NEPA compliance process is a cooperative, non-adversarial, process involving members of the public, state and tribal governments and the Federal government. The process affords all persons interested in or potentially

affected by the environmental consequences of a proposed action an opportunity to present their views, which will be considered in the preparation of the environmental documentation for the proposed action. Intervening and becoming a party to this proceeding will not create any special status for the petitioner with regard to the NEPA process. Also, participation in the NEPA process does not create party status in this proceeding. Notice of upcoming NEPA activities and information on how the public can participate in those activities will appear in the **Federal Register**.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above. In addition, the application may be reviewed or downloaded from the Fossil Energy Home Page at: <http://www.fe.doe.gov>. Upon reaching the Fossil Energy Home page, select "Electricity Regulation" and then "Pending Proceedings" from the options menu.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP02-358-000]

Dominion Transmission, Inc.; Notice of Termination of Gathering Service

July 2, 2002.

Take notice that on June 7, 2001, Dominion Transmission Inc.(DTI) tendered for filing pursuant to Section 4 of the Natural Gas Act, a notice of termination of gathering services currently being provided on specified uncertificated lines in Indiana County, Pennsylvania. DTI states that the uncertificated lines are being sold to Dominion Exploration and Production. DTI states further that copies of this filing have been mailed to all customers and interested state commissions.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed on or before

July 9, 2002. 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 proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site under the "e-Filing" link.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP02-364-000]

Dominion Transmission, Inc.; Notice of Termination of Gathering Service

July 2, 2002.

Take notice that on June 4, 2001, Dominion Transmission Inc. (DTI) tendered for filing pursuant to Section 4 of the Natural Gas Act, a notice of termination of gathering services currently being provided on a specified uncertificated line in Barbour County, West Virginia. DTI states that the uncertificated line and attached well are being sold to Lone Pine Operating Company, Inc.

DTI states further that copies of this filing have been mailed to all customers and interested state commissions.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed on or before July 9, 2002. 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 proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the web at

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Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP02-218-001]

East Tennessee Natural Gas Company; Notice of Compliance Filing

July 2, 2002.

Take notice that on June 27, 2002, East Tennessee Natural Gas Company (East Tennessee) submitted workpapers relating to its annual cashout report for the November 2000 through October 2001 period pursuant to Rate Schedules LMS-MA and LMS-PA of its FERC Gas Tariff. The purpose of this filing is to comply with the Commission's order issued on June 12, 2002 in Docket No. RP02-218.

East Tennessee states that copies of the filing were mailed to each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed on or before July 9, 2002. 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 proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the

instructions on the Commission's web site under the "e-Filing" link.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP02-368-000]

Midwestern Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

July 2, 2002.

Take notice that on June 24, 2002, Midwestern Gas Transmission Company (Midwestern) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, with an effective date of August 1, 2002:

Second Revised Sheet No. 5
First Revised Sheet No. 54
First Revised Sheet No. 64
First Revised Sheet No. 73
First Revised Sheet No. 410
First Revised Sheet No. 411
First Revised Sheet No. 415
First Revised Sheet No. 416
Original Sheet No. 416A

Midwestern is proposing revised tariff sheets to revise and update the form of Exhibit A of Midwestern's Firm Gas Transportation Agreement and to add an Exhibit A to the form of the Interruptible Gas Transportation Agreement in order to clearly state the terms of a transportation agreement without necessitating that agreements be filed as non-conforming agreements. In addition, Midwestern proposes to revise provisions in its tariff to allow the Company and shipper to mutually agree to a negotiated Fuel Retention and Loss Quantity percentage. Midwestern states that it is at risk for the recovery of the gas used for its system operations and lost and unaccounted for gas. Midwestern states that this proposal does not impact or increase the cost to the other shippers for fuel and loss and unaccounted gas. Any transportation agreements that contain a negotiated Fuel Retention and Loss Quantity percentage will be indicated on the list of Negotiated Rates Agreements and filed with the Commission.

Midwestern states that the proposed changes will provide more flexibility and greater ease for shippers to contract for transportation service.

Midwestern states that copies of this filing have been sent to all of