Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Case Studies of Current and Former Grantees under the Title III National Professional Development Program (NPDP).

OMB Control Number: Pending.

Type of Review: New.

Total Éstimated Number of Annual Responses: 438.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 450.

Abstract: Grants are made to Institutions of Higher Education that have entered into consortium arrangements with states or school districts. Funded projects are designed to increase the pool of highly-qualified teachers prepared to serve EL students and increase the skills of teachers already serving them.

The purpose of this study is to examine how a sample of grantees is implementing their grants with respect to four areas: (1) The content and structure of the education they provide to current and prospective teachers of English Learners; (2) the nature of changes they attempt to make to the full teacher education program at their institutions; (3) the efforts grantees make to institutionalize their projects so that they can be sustained after the grant ends; and (4) their efforts to track former program participants. Information gathered on these four topics will be used to identify issues that could be investigated in a larger, more representative study.

This study will consist of 15 purposively-selected current grantees and nine purposively-selected former grantees. The case study sites will be selected from among the grantees in the 2007 cohort ("current grantees") and those in the 2002 and 2004 cohorts ("former grantees"), and will provide information on some of the pre-service and in-service teacher training models and approaches that current grantees are using, as well as strategies that former grantees have used to track newlyminted teachers after program completion and to plan for continuing program services after the federal grant period.

The study will collect data from the current grantees through site visits and

from the former grantees through telephone interviews.

Dated: May 18, 2012.

Stephanie Valentine,

Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Proposed Agency Information Collection

AGENCY: Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice and Request for Comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on a proposed collection of information that DOE is developing for submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be filed by July 23, 2012. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed in **ADDRESSES** as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be sent to Jamie Vernon or by fax at 202– 586–9260, or by email at *Jamie.Vernon@ee.doe.gov.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Jamie Vernon, *Jamie.Vernon@ee.doe.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This information collection request contains: (1) OMB No.: 1910-5164; (2) Information Collection Request Title: Customer Electricity Data Access and Control Questionnaire; (3) Type of *Request:* Renewal with changes; (4) *Purpose:* The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) has developed and launched a new consumer-focused Web site (http:// openei.org/utilityaccess) with the capability to map how and what electricity use data utilities provide to their customers. An online questionnaire device captures and publishes the necessary information as a series of web-based maps upon completion by electricity providers. Each electric utility has the opportunity to fill out a web-based questionnaire that will automatically generate the informational maps. Consumers can visit the maps and Web site to learn about data access offered by their utility and how to use energy more efficiently. Generation of such maps requires DOE to collect information from electricity providers about data access and sharing services offered to their customers. DOE is requesting a 3-year approval to continue to collect and report this information using an improved collection instrument; (5) Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses: 3,261; (6) Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours: 761; (7) Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: \$0.

Statutory Authority: Section 13(b) of the Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974 (FEA Act), as amended, codified at 15 U.S.C. 772(b) and Section 1301 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA), as amended, codified at 42 U.S.C. 17381.

Issued in Washington, DC, on May 17, 2012.

Carla Frisch,

Acting Director of Analysis, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP12-462-000]

Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC; Notice of Application

Take notice that on May 14, 2012, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC (Transco), P.O. Box

1396, Houston, Texas 77251-1396, filed in Docket No. CP12-462-000 an application pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations seeking to amend the authorization to operate certain compression facilities in Georgia installed as part of the Mid-South Expansion Project,¹ all as more fully set forth in the application, which is on file with the Commission and open to the public for inspection. This 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, contact FERC at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (886) 208-3676 or TYY, (202) 502-8659.

Specifically, Transco requests authorization to amend the authorized operation of its new 15,000 horsepower (HP) electric motor-driven compressor installed at Transco's Compressor Station 125 in Walton County. Transco currently has authority to operate the 15,000 HP electric compressor unit at a maximum of 9,000 HP. Transco now seeks authorization to operate said compressor unit at above 9,000 HP provided that the total horsepower used at Compressor Station 125 does not exceed the station's total certificated horsepower of 49,800 horsepower. Transco states that it would use automated station control systems to limit the total horsepower at Compressor Station 125. Transco also states that this would allow for more efficient operation, increase operational reliability and flexibility, and accommodate schedule maintenance.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Bill Hammons, Team Leader, Rates and Regulatory, P.O. Box 1396, Houston, Texas 77251, at (713) 215–2130.

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 14 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 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site under the "e-Filing" link.

Comment Date: June, 7, 2012.

Dated: May 17, 2012.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP12-112-000]

Southern Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed North Main Loop Line Abandonment Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the North Main Loop Line Abandonment Project (Project) involving abandonment, construction and operation of facilities by Southern Natural Gas Company, L.L.C. (SNG) in Calhoun and Cleburne Counties, Alabama. The Commission will use this EA in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping process the Commission will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies on the project. Your input will help the Commission staff determine what issues they need to evaluate in the EA. Please note that the scoping period will close on June 16, 2012. Further details on how to submit written comments are in the Public Participation section of this notice.

This notice is being sent to the Commission's current environmental mailing list for this project. State and local government representatives should notify their constituents of this proposed project and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

If you are a landowner receiving this notice, and you are contacted by a representative of SNG about the acquisition of an easement to construct. operate, and maintain the proposed facilities, please note that the company would seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement. However, if the Commission approves the project, that approval conveys with it the right of eminent domain. Therefore, if easement negotiations fail to produce an agreement, the pipeline company could initiate condemnation proceedings where compensation would be determined in accordance with state law.

SNG provided landowners with a fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled "An Interstate Natural Gas Facility On My Land? What Do I Need To Know?". This fact sheet addresses a number of typically-asked questions, including the

^{1 136} FERC ¶ 61,129 (2011).