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Dated: April 6, 2010.

**Alexa Posny,**

*Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.*

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## ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

### **Notice: Request for Substantive Comments on the EAC's Procedural Manual for the Election Assistance Commission's Pilot Voting System Testing and Certification Program Manual**

**AGENCY:** United States Election Assistance Commission (EAC).

**ACTION:** Notice; Request for Substantive Comments.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) is publishing a procedural manual for its Pilot Voting System Testing and Certification Program Manual for a fifteen day public comment period. This program sets the administrative procedures for manufacturers seeking certification of pilot voting systems to be used in a federal election.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brian Hancock, Director, Voting System Certification, Washington, DC (202) 566-3100, Fax: (202) 566-1392.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Background.* HAVA requires that the EAC certify and decertify voting systems through testing conducted by accredited laboratories. Section 231(a)(1) of HAVA (42 U.S.C. 15371) specifically requires the EAC to “\* \* \* provide for the testing, certification, decertification and recertification of voting system hardware and software by accredited laboratories.” To meet this obligation, the EAC has created a voluntary program to test pilot voting systems to a set of voluntary pilot certification requirements. The Pilot Testing Certification Program manual sets the procedures for the pilot voting system manufacturers to follow in order to receive certification for their system to

be used in a pilot project for a state or local jurisdiction that require EAC certification.

The Pilot Voting System Testing and Certification program manual contains program requirements and procedures for the following areas:

1. Voting system manufacturer registration.
2. When voting system intended for use in a pilot must be submitted for certification.
3. Certification Testing, Technical Review and Grant of Certification for Pilot Voting Systems.
4. Denial of Certification.
5. Pilot Program Monitoring and Reporting.
6. Requests for Interpretations.
7. Release of Certification Program Information.

*Substantive Comments:* The EAC seeks substantive comments from the public on its proposed procedural manual. Please submit comments consistent with the information below. Comments should identify and cite the section of the manual at issue. Where a substantive issue is raised, please propose a recommended change or alternative policy. All comments submitted will be published at the end of the comment period on the EAC's Web site at <http://www.eac.gov>. This publication and request for comment is not required under the rulemaking, adjudicative, or licensing provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act (APA). It is a voluntary effort by the EAC to gather input from the public on the EAC's administrative procedures for certifying voting systems to be used in pilot projects. Furthermore, this request by the EAC for public comment is not intended to make any of the APA's rulemaking provisions applicable to development of this or future EAC procedural programs. However, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, a separate notice will be published on the **Federal Register** to request comments regarding the burden of responding to the information collection activities of the proposed manual; please refer to the EAC's Web site, <http://www.eac.gov>, for further information about the submission of comments regarding burden.

**DATES:** Submit written or electronic comments on this draft procedural manual on or before 5 p.m. EDT on April 26, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments via e-mail to [votingsystemguidelines@eac.gov](mailto:votingsystemguidelines@eac.gov); via mail to Brian Hancock, Director of Voting System Certification, U.S. Election Assistance Commission, 1201

New York Avenue, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20005; or via fax to 202-566-1392. An electronic copy of the proposed guidance may be found on the EAC's Web site at <http://www.eac.gov>.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Matthew Masterson, Deputy Director, Testing and Certification Program 1201 New York Avenue, Suite 300, Washington, DC, (202) 566-3100, Fax: (202) 566-1392.

**Alice Miller,**

*Chief Operating Officer, U.S. Election Assistance Commission.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### **Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 13655-000]

### **Riverbank Minnesota, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications**

April 2, 2010.

On January 12, 2010, Riverbank Minnesota, LLC filed an application, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of the Granite Falls Pumped Storage Project No. 13655, to be located east of the City of Granite Falls and the Minnesota River in Chippewa County, Minnesota.

The proposed pumped storage project would consist of: (1) A new approximately 135-acre, 30-foot-deep upper reservoir constructed of enclosed earth embankments; (2) a new lower reservoir excavated in granite bedrock at a depth of approximately 1,800 feet below the surface, consisting of six approximately 150-foot-high, 90-foot-wide underground galleries; (3) a new approximately 20 to 100-foot-diameter intake structure; (4) a new approximately 1,800-foot-long, 20-foot-diameter penstock from the intake structure to an underground powerhouse; (5) a new approximately 380-foot-long, 83-foot-wide, and 400-foot-high underground powerhouse; (6) four new reversible pump-turbines with a total combined capacity of 1,000 megawatts; (7) a new 330-foot-long, 55-foot-wide, and 400-foot-high transformer gallery; (8) a new approximately 1.2-mile-long, 230-kilovolt transmission line; and (9) appurtenant facilities. The project

would have an estimated annual generation of 2,190 gigawatt-hours.

*Applicant Contact:* Douglas Spaulding, Nelson Energy, 8441 Wayzata Boulevard, Suite 101, Golden Valley, MN 55426, (952) 544-8133.

*FERC Contact:* Brandon Cherry, (202) 502-8328.

*Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing application:* 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "eFiling" link. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original and eight copies should be mailed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. For more information on how to submit these types of filings please go to the Commission's Web site located at <http://www.ferc.gov/filing-comments.asp>.

More information about this project can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-13655) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3372.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP10-110-000]

#### Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company; Notice of Application

April 2, 2010.

Take notice that on March 30, 2010, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee), 1001 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas 77002, filed in the above referenced docket an application pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations, requesting authorization to abandon in place an inactive segment of an offshore supply lateral designated as Line No. 523M-2300, consisting of approximately 6.23 miles of 24-inch diameter pipeline and

associated appurtenances located in federal waters offshore Louisiana. Tennessee states that the subject facilities have been out of service since W & T Offshore, Inc.'s platform was toppled by Hurricane Ike in September 2008, 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 Web site 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 TTY, (202) 502-8659.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Thomas G. Joyce, Manager, Certificates, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, 1001 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas 77002, by telephone at (713) 420-3299, by facsimile at (713) 420-1605, or by e-mail at [tom.joyce@elpaso.com](mailto:tom.joyce@elpaso.com); Susan T. Halbach, Senior Counsel, Legal, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, 1001 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas 77002, by telephone at (713) 420-5751, by facsimile at (713) 420-1601, or by e-mail at [susan.halbach@elpaso.com](mailto:susan.halbach@elpaso.com); or Debbie Kalisek, Analyst, Rates and Regulatory Affairs, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, 1001 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas 77002, by telephone at (713) 420-3292, by facsimile at (713) 420-1605, or by e-mail at [debbie.kalisek@elpaso.com](mailto:debbie.kalisek@elpaso.com).

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 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 provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

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.

This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

*Comment Date:* April 12, 2010.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13399-000]

#### New Jersey Water Supply Authority; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

April 2, 2010.

On March 17, 2009, the New Jersey Water Supply Authority (New Jersey WSA) filed an application, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Spruce Run & Round Valley