

**PF13-10-000**

**CENTERPOINT ENERGY GAS TRANSMISSION COMPANY, LLC**

**ATTACHMENT 3**

**Monthly Pre-Filing Status Report**

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**CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company, LLC  
Central Arkansas Pipeline Enhancement Project**

Docket No. PF13-10-000  
FERC Pre-Filing Monthly Status Report

**Period Ending:** April 26, 2013

**Status Report No.:** 1

On March 18, 2013, CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company, LLC (CEGT) submitted a request to use the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC or Commission) Pre-Filing review process for the planned Central Arkansas Pipeline Enhancement Project (Project). In a letter dated March 28, 2013, the Commission subsequently approved CEGT's request and assigned the Project to FERC Docket No. PF13-10-000.

This Monthly Status Report provides a brief summary of recent and significant Project activities, including surveys, stakeholder communications, and agency consultations, in accordance with 18 CFR §157.21(f)(6).

*Project Scope & Schedule*

- Since the time the CEGT submitted its request to use the FERC Pre-Filing Process, CEGT has identified the following Project scope modifications:
  - The length of the segment of Line BT-14 proposed for transfer to CEGT's distribution affiliate increased from 9.4 to 12.4 miles. The increased length will allow for the terminal aboveground facility (i.e., Shoemaker Road Town Border Station) to be sited at the location of an existing aboveground block valve facility along Line BT-14. The expanded length will also facilitate incorporation of additional rural extension metering facilities into the local distribution system.
  - As a result of adoption of multiple route variations, the length of the proposed Line BT-39 pipeline increased to approximately 28.5 miles.
- No changes in Project schedule have been identified.

*Environmental Surveys*

- All field surveys for the proposed Project are complete. CEGT obtained full survey permission associated with the Project, and environmental field surveys for wetlands/waterbodies and cultural resources have been completed along 100 percent of the proposed pipeline route, as well as all proposed temporary workspaces, construction access roads, meter station locations, and the pipe storage/contractor yards. These field surveys have also been completed for those work areas that would be used in association with the retirement and removal activities proposed as part of this Project.
- No additional field surveys are scheduled at this time.

*Stakeholder Communications*

- In accordance with 18 CFR §157.21(f)(3), CEGT mailed a Project notification letter to affected landowners to inform them of the proposed Project, briefly describe the FERC environmental review process, and invite landowners to attend the Project Open House Meeting.

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- CEGT finalized plans for the Project open house meeting, which has been scheduled as follows:

Tuesday, May 21, 2013; 5:00 to 7:00 PM  
Brewer-Hegeman Conference Center  
University of Central Arkansas  
201 Donaghey Avenue  
Conway, AR 72035-5003  
Phone: (501) 852-2699

- CEGT has received several telephone contacts and e-mails in response to the initial landowner notification letter, and CEGT staff are responding to inquiries and requests for additional information as they are received.

Agency Consultations & Meetings

- To assist in the preparation of the Project Resource Reports, CEGT sent environmental information request letters to the following resource agencies on April 10, 2013:
  - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service – Arkansas Ecological Field Services Office;
  - U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – Region 6;
  - National Park Service – Midwest Region;
  - Natural Resources Conservation Service – North Little Rock and Conway Service Centers;
  - Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality – Surface Mining and Reclamation and Hazardous Waste Divisions;
  - Arkansas Department of Health;
  - Arkansas Geological Survey;
  - Arkansas Agriculture Department;
  - Arkansas Natural Resources Commission – Water Resources Division;
  - and
  - Arkansas Game and Fish Commission.
- In a letter dated March 21, 2013, the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program (AHPP) provided information on known archaeological sites and architectural properties in the Project area and requested completion of a cultural resources survey. CEGT intends to submit the completed Project cultural resources survey report to the AHPP in May 2013.
- As recommended by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Little Rock District (USACE) in their initial consultation letter for the Project, CEGT has scheduled a pre-application meeting with USACE staff. The meeting is scheduled for May 22, 2013, at 10:00 AM, and will be held at the USACE office in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Additional Items

- In accordance with 18 CFR §157.21(f)(4), a stakeholder mailing list is being filed with the Commission on April 26, 2013, concurrent with this status report.
- In accordance with 18 CFR §157.21(f)(5), draft versions of Resource Report 1, Project Description, and Resource Report 10, Alternatives, are being filed with the Commission on April 26, 2013, concurrent with this status report.

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- Draft versions of the remaining Resource Reports are currently under development.