



May 31, 2013

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N. E. Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company, LLC

Docket No. PF13-10-000

Central Arkansas Pipeline Enhancement Project

Dear Ms. Bose:

On March 18, 2013, CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company, LLC (CEGT) submitted a request to use the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) pre-filing review process for its planned Central Arkansas Pipeline Enhancement Project (Project). The Commission subsequently approved CEGT's request on March 28, 2013.

Pursuant to the pre-filing procedures and review process established in section 157.21 of the Natural Gas Act, 18 CFR §157.205, CEGT hereby submits its second Pre-Filing Monthly Status Report, which addresses the period ending May 31, 2013.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at 318-429-3708.

Respectfully submitted,

CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company, LLC

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cc: Mr. Kareem Monib

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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

 No changes in Project scope or schedule were identified during the summary reporting period.

Environmental Surveys

- Ambient noise surveys at the locations of planned horizontal directional drill (HDD) locations were completed by Hoover & Keith Inc. (H&K) during the week of May 13, 2013. H&K is now working to complete the HDD noise impact assessment report, which will be included in the submittal of the draft version of Resource Report 9, Air and Noise Quality.
- No additional field surveys are scheduled at this time.

Stakeholder Communications

- CEGT held an informational Project open house meeting at Brewer-Hegeman Conference Center, University of Central Arkansas, in Conway, Arkansas, on Tuesday, May 21, 2013 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM.
 - The meeting was attended by approximately 50 members of the public.
 - The meeting included a brief, formal presentation and overview of the Project. The meeting also provided interested parties with the opportunity to ask questions of CEGT staff and visit informational stations addressing Project scope, pipeline construction, pipeline safety, right-of-way, and environmental considerations.
 - o CEGT is currently working to consolidate and evaluate comments received from open house attendees, but those comments generally included such items as requests for clarification of proposed pipeline alignment/workspace locations, evaluation of site specific route modifications, and reductions in construction or permanent right-of-way widths.
 - Many open house attendees requested to see the location of the proposed Project pipeline in relation to their property, which CEGT staff

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accommodated during the meeting using computer/monitor stations and GIS technology.

- The open house meeting was attended by FERC Environmental Project Manager, Kareem Monib, who provided attendees with information on the FERC environmental review process for the Project.
- CEGT continues to receive telephone contacts and e-mails in response to the initial landowner notification letter for the Project, and CEGT staff are responding to inquiries and requests for additional information as they are received.

Agency Consultations & Meetings

- In a letter dated May 6, 2013, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service provided information on federally listed threatened and endangered species known to occur in the Project region and recommended coordination with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers regarding wetland and water resources likely to occur in the Project area.
- CEGT staff and consultants accompanied FERC Environmental Project Manager, Kareem Monib, on a site visit of the Project area on May 21, 2013.
- CEGT and AK Environmental (Project environmental consultant) staff held a preapplication meeting for the Project with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Little Rock District (USACE) at the USACE office in Little Rock, Arkansas, on May 22, 2013.
 - The meeting was attended by USACE staff Cynthia Blansett, Environmental Protection Specialist, and Sarah Chitwood, Regulatory Branch Chief.
 - Topics addressed during the meeting included Project overview, agricultural wetlands, herbaceous wetland and stream mitigation, mitigation banking, ephemeral waterbody jurisdiction, and Preconstruction Notification contents.
 - At the prior request of Kareem Monib, FERC Environmental Project Manager, USACE staff were queried regarding any specific Project needs to address their National Environmental Policy Act requirements. USACE staff indicated that there were likely no additional requirements beyond those that FERC would already have.

Additional Items

- At the request of FERC staff, CEGT provided mailing labels for affected landowners and identified Project stakeholders on May 24, 2013. The labels were to be used to support mailing of the FERC Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Project, which was subsequently issued by the FERC on May 29, 2013.
- Draft versions of the Resource Reports 2 through 11 are currently under internal review and development. CEGT anticipates submitting drafts of those reports during the next reporting period.