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Comments on the Evergreen application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with Docket EA-309. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Peter Gish, General Counsel, Evergreen Wind Power, LLC, 100 Wells Avenue, Suite 201, Newton, MA 02459, and David L. Schwartz, Natasha Gianvecchio, Sue Wang, Latham & Watkins LLP, 555 Eleventh Street, NW., Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20004.

A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and a determination is made by DOE that the proposed action will not adversely impact on the reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above or by emailing Odessa Hopkins at [Odessa.hopkins@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Odessa.hopkins@hq.doe.gov).

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**Anthony J. Como,**

*Director, Permitting and Siting, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[OE Docket No. EA-284-A]

### Application to Export Electric Energy; Sempra Energy Solutions

**AGENCY:** Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of Application.

**SUMMARY:** Sempra Energy Solution (SES) has applied to renew its authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada pursuant to section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act.

**DATES:** Comments, protests, or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before September 22, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, protests, or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Mail Code: OE-20, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000

Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0350 (FAX 202-586-5860).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ellen Russell (Program Office) 202-586-9624 or Michael Skinker (Program Attorney) 202-586-2793.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated and require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On September 4, 2003, the Department of Energy (DOE) issued Order No. EA-284 authorizing SES to transmit electric energy from the United States to Mexico for a three-year term. That authorization will expire on September 4, 2006.

On August 12, 2006, SES filed an application with DOE for renewal of the export authority contained in Order No. EA-284. SES proposes to export electric energy to Mexico and to arrange for the delivery of those exports over the international transmission facilities presently owned San Diego Gas & Electric Company.

SES has also requested DOE expedite the processing of its application in order that SES may continue to meet contractual agreements with counterparts in Mexico. Accordingly, DOE has shortened the public comment period to 15 days.

**Procedural Matters:** Any person desiring to become a party to these proceedings 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 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission'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 dates listed above.

Comments on the SES application to export electric energy to Mexico should be clearly marked with Docket EA-284-A. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Theodore E. Roberts, Attorney for Sempra Energy Solutions, 101 Ash Street, HQ13D, San Diego, CO 92101.

A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and a determination is made by DOE that the proposed action will not adversely impact on the reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RR06-3-000]

#### North American Electric Reliability Council; North American Electric Reliability Corporation; Notice of Filing

August 25, 2006.

Take notice that on August 23, 2006, North American Electric Reliability Corporation submitted for filing pursuant to Commission's Regulations 18 CFR 39.4 its initial business plan and budget as the electric reliability organization for the year ending December 31, 2007.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). 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 proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of 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:* 5 p.m. eastern time on September 13, 2006.

**Magalie R. Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Tennessee Valley Authority; Notice of Filing

August 25, 2006.

Take notice that on August 21, 2006, Tennessee Valley Authority filed a revised Interconnection Agreement with East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc., in compliance with the Commission's order issued July 20, 2006.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). 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 proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant and all the parties in this proceeding.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of 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.

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(866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time on September 20, 2006.

**Magalie R. Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[ Docket No. CP04-400-002]

#### Golden Pass Pipeline LP; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Northern Segment Amendment Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

August 25, 2006.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that discusses the environmental impacts of Golden Pass Pipeline LP's (Golden Pass) proposed Northern Segment Amendment Project (Northern Segment Amendment or Project) which involves design and workspace changes to the pipeline facilities previously approved as part of the Golden Pass LNG Terminal and Pipeline Project.<sup>1</sup> In the Northern Segment Amendment, Golden Pass proposes the following changes to the previously authorized facilities: (1) Replace the authorized, but not yet constructed, 36-inch-diameter pipeline with a 42-inch-diameter pipeline between approximate milepost (MP) 42.81 and MP 77.87, at the American Electric Power Texoma Pipeline (AEP Texoma) interconnect and the Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) interconnect, respectively; (2) relocate a mainline valve (MLV) from MP 54.11 to 52.50 and install a 42-inch MLV rather than a 36-inch MLV; (3) remove from the approved facilities the 36-inch pig receiver and launcher at the AEP Texoma interconnect; and (4) install a 42-inch pig receiver and MLV at the Transco interconnect. The pipeline route would not change as a result of the

<sup>1</sup> On July 6, 2005, the Commission approved the Golden Pass LNG Terminal and Pipeline Project in Docket Nos. CP04-386-000, CP04-400-000, CP04-401-000, and CP04-402-000. The Golden Pass LNG Terminal and Pipeline Project included a liquefied natural gas (LNG) terminal and associated LNG facilities, 77.8 miles of 36-inch diameter mainline pipeline, 42.8 miles of 36-inch diameter looping pipeline that would be constructed adjacent to the mainline, and associated pipeline facilities.

amended facilities. However, due to the increased diameter of the pipeline, Golden Pass is requesting additional temporary workspaces at certain locations.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping period that will be used to gather environmental input from the public and interested agencies on the Project. Please note that the scoping period will close on September 25, 2006. Details on how to submit comments are provided in the Public Participation section of this notice.

This notice is being sent to potentially affected landowners along the Project route; Federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; and local libraries and newspapers.

With this notice, we<sup>2</sup> are asking Federal, state, and local agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the EA. These agencies may choose to participate once they have evaluated the proposal relative to their responsibilities. Agencies which would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing comments described later in this notice. We encourage government representatives to notify their constituents of this planned project and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

Some affected landowners may be contacted by a project representative about the acquisition of an easement to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed pipeline. If so, the company should seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement. In the event that the Project is certificated by the Commission, that approval conveys the right of eminent domain for securing easements for the pipeline. Therefore, if easement negotiations fail to produce an agreement, the company could initiate condemnation proceedings in accordance with state law.

A fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled "An Interstate Natural Gas Facility On My Land? What Do I Need To Know?" addresses a number of typically asked questions, including the use of eminent domain and how to participate in the Commission's proceedings. It is available for viewing on the FERC Internet Web site ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)).

<sup>2</sup> "We," "us," and "our" refer to the environmental staff of the Office of Energy Projects.