

with six alternative sites. Several of these alternative sites were developed as the result of public response to our NOI and January 12, 2006 scoping meeting in Methuen, Massachusetts. The locations of the seven potential sites for the Massachusetts Compressor Station are shown in the enclosure.

We are conducting this public meeting to allow you the opportunity to express your environmental concerns about the seven potential sites for the Massachusetts Compressor Station. We will use these comments to help us analyze these seven potential locations for the Massachusetts Compressor Station in our Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Comments may be submitted in written form or verbally at the meeting. Further details on how to submit written comments are provided in this notice. In lieu of sending written comments, we invite you to attend the following public comment meeting.

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 5, 2006, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. (EST).

Location: Haverhill City Hall, 4 Summer Street, Haverhill, Massachusetts, Phone: 978-374-2300.

You can make a difference by providing us with your specific environmental comments or concerns on the location of the Massachusetts Compressor Station. By becoming a commentor, your concerns will be addressed in the EIS and considered by the Commission. You should focus on the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the proposed Massachusetts Compressor Station and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impact. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. We request that you file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than April 14, 2006. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send an original and two copies of your letter to: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.
- Label one copy of your comments for the attention of Gas Branch 2, DG2E.
- Reference Docket No. PF05-17-000 on the original and both copies.
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before April 14, 2006.

Please note that we are continuing to experience delays in mail deliveries from the U.S. Postal Service. As a result, we will include all comments that we receive within a reasonable time frame in our environmental analysis of this project. However, the Commission

strongly encourages electronic filing of any comments in response to this Notice of Intent. For information on electronically filing comments, please see the instructions on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the "e-Filing" link and the link to the User's Guide, as well as information in 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii). Before you can submit comments you will need to create a free account, which can be created on-line.

In addition, the Commission now offers a free service called eSubscription which allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries and direct links to the documents. Go to <http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm>.

The public meeting in Haverhill is designed to provide another opportunity to offer comments on the proposed Massachusetts Compressor Station. Interested groups and individuals are encouraged to attend the meetings and to present comments on the environmental issues they believe should be addressed in the EIS. A transcript of the meeting will be generated so that your comments will be accurately recorded.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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[Docket No. ER06-18-000]

Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.; Notice of Technical Conference

March 17, 2006.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission is convening a technical conference regarding the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator Inc.'s proposed cost allocation policy, as it pertains to the degree of regional cost sharing for reliability projects at 345 kV and above, pursuant to the Commission Order issued on February 3, 2006.¹ The conference will be held on Friday, April 21, 2006 at 10 a.m. (EST) at the Federal Energy

¹ *Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator Inc.*, 114 FERC ¶ 61,106 (2006).

Regulatory Commission, Commission Meeting Room, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. A separate notice will be issued by the Commission to announce the final agenda of the conference.

FERC conferences are accessible under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. For accessibility accommodations please send an e-mail to accessibility@ferc.gov or call toll free 1-866-208-3372 (voice) or 202-208-1659 (TTY); or send a Fax to 202-208-2106 with the required accommodations.

The conference is open for the public to attend, and registration is not required. For more information about the conference, please contact either Patrick Clarey at (317) 249-5937 or at patrick.clarey@ferc.gov or Eli Massey at (202) 502-8494 or at eli.massey@ferc.gov.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. AD06-2-000]

Assessment of Demand Response Resources

March 15, 2006.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission).

ACTION: Notice of issuance of voluntary survey.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAAct 2005) section 1252(e)(3),¹ the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is required to prepare a report, by appropriate region, that assesses demand response resources, including those available from all consumer classes. To gather information for this report, a voluntary survey will be issued to 3,372 respondents to gather information on advanced metering (AMI) and demand response (DR) and time-based rate programs.

DATES: E-Mails and letters will be sent to the survey respondents by March 16, 2006. Responses should be made by April 12, 2006. Extensions will be granted on a case-by-case basis by contacting the *Demand Response Team* (anytime).

¹ Energy Policy Act of 2005, Pub. L. No. 109-58, section 1252(e)(3), 119 Stat. 594, (2005) (EPAAct section 1252(e)(3)).