free at (866) 208–3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502–8659.

Specifically, Equitrans proposes to construct and operate 69.9 miles of new 20-inch diameter pipeline and related facilities (the Big Sandy Pipeline Project) that will provide a direct connection between the Big Sandy Compression Station in Langley, Kentucky, and a proposed new interconnection with Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company's Broad Run Lateral in Carter County, Kentucky. Equitrans also proposes to install three (3) 3,000 horsepower (hp) electrically-driven compressor units at the outlet of the existing Kentucky Hydrocarbon Compressor Station in Langley. In addition, Equitrans proposes to install a meter station and launcher, pressure regulation facilities and a receiver at the terminus of the pipeline. Equitrans estimates that the proposed facilities will cost \$150,371,210.

Any questions about this application should be directed to David K. Dewey, Vice President & General Counsel, Equitrans, L.P., 225 North Shore Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15212, at 412–395–2566 or fax 412–395–3311.

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 listed 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 this filing and all subsequent filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy of all filings to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, other persons do 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 this project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons may also wish to comment further only on the environmental review of this project. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of environmental documents issued by the Commission, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Those persons, organizations, and agencies who submitted comments during the NEPA Pre-Filing Process in Docket No. PF06-12-000 are already on the Commission staff's environmental mailing list for the proceeding in the above dockets and may file additional comments on or before the below listed comment date. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, environmental commenters are also not parties to the proceeding and will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or non-environmental documents issued by the Commission. Further, they will not have the right to seek court review of any final order by Commission in this proceeding.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests, and interventions via the Internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (*http:// www.ferc.gov*) under the "e-Filing" link. *Comment Date:* June 8, 2006.

### Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EG06-36-000]

# ExTex LaPorte Limited Partnership; Notice of Application for Commission Determination of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status

May 16, 2006.

Take notice that on March 31, 2006, ExTex LaPorte Limited Partnership (ExTex LaPorte) tendered for filing additional information and analysis in support of its application filed on February 7, 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.

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*, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time on May 24, 2006.

# Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary. [FR Doc. E6–7883 Filed 5–23–06; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6717–01–P

# DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. ER06-745-000; ER06-745-001]

# MASSPOWER; Notice of Issuance of Order

May 17, 2006.

MASSPOWER filed an application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying tariff. The proposed market-based rate tariff provides for the sale of energy, capacity and ancillary services at market-based rates. MASSPOWER also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, MASSPOWER requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by MASSPOWER.

On May 12, 2006, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Tariffs and Market Development—West, granted the request for blanket approval under part 34. The Director's order also stated that the Commission would publish a separate notice in the Federal Register establishing a period of time for the filing of protests. Accordingly, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by MASSPOWER should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. 18 CFR 385.211, 385.214 (2004).

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protest is June 12, 2006.

Absent a request to be heard in opposition by the deadline above, MASSPOWER is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, indorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of MASSPOWER, compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approval of MASSPOWER's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

Copies of the full text of the Director's Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Room, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The Order may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at *http:// www.ferc.gov*, using the eLibrary link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number filed to access the document. Comments, protests, and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

# Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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# DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

# [Docket No. CP06-276-000]

# Mississippi Hub, LLC; Notice of Petition

May 16, 2006.

Take notice that on May 11, 2006 Mississippi Hub, LLC (MS Hub), 2707 N. Kensington St. Arlington, VA 22207, filed a petition for Exemption of Temporary Acts and Operations from Certificate Requirements, pursuant to Rule 207(a)(5) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.207(a)(5)), and section 7(c)(1)(B) of the Natural Gas Act (15 U.S.C. 717(c)(1)(B)), seeking approval of an exemption from certificate requirements to perform temporary activities related to drilling a test well and performing other activities to assess the feasibility of developing an underground natural gas storage facility in Simpson County, Mississippi, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing may also be viewed on the 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@gerc.gov or call toll-free, (886) 208-3676 or TYY, (202) 502-8659.

Any questions regarding the petition should be directed to J. Gordon Pennington, Attorney at Law, Mississippi Hub, LLC ("MS Hub"), 2707 N. Kensington St. Arlington, VA 22207, Phone: 03–533–7638 or e-mail Pennington5@verizon.net.

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, 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 with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project, or in support of or in opposition to this project, should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the applicant. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests, and interventions via the Internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (*http:// www.ferc.gov*) under the "e-Filing" link.

Comment Date: May 26, 2006.

## Magalie R. Salas,

#### Secretary.

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