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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, LLC

Docket No. CP16-488-000

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Take notice that on August 1, 2016, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, LLC (Natural), 3250 Lacey Road, Suite 700, Downers Grove, IL 60515, filed an application under sections 7 (b) and 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations, requesting authorization to construct and operate a new compressor station and associated pipeline lateral located in Cass County, Texas (Gulf Coast Expansion Project). Natural is also requesting authorization to abandon two compressor units at its Compressor Station 301 in Wharton County, Texas, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open for public inspection.

Natural proposes to provide long-term firm transportation service to two shippers that have subscribed to the capacity created by the Project. The Project capacity is developed through the integration of existing capacity and expansion capacity of 240,000 Dth/day which will enable Natural to transport 460,000 Dth per day of natural gas supplies to an existing delivery point and a new delivery point in the South Texas Gulf Coast area. The project shippers have elected negotiated rates. Natural proposes to construct a new 15,900 horsepower compressor station on its Gulf Coast Line, and a new 4000-foot, 30-inch lateral to connect the proposed compressor to Natural's existing A/G Line. Natural also proposes to abandon 5,600 hp of existing compression on its system. Total cost of the project is \$69,399,000.

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, please contact FERC at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

Any questions regarding the proposed project should be directed to Bruce H. Newsome, Vice President, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, LLC, 3250 Lacey Road, Suite 700, Downers Grove, IL, 60515, or by calling (630) 725-3070 (telephone) or email at bruce_newsome@kindermorgan.com.

Pursuant to Section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

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 stated 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 7 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.

However, a person does 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 the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of 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. 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 in lieu of paper using the “eFiling” link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 5 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

Comment Date: September 2, 2016

DATED: August 12, 2016

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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