

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Enable Gas Transmission, LLC

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Docket No. CP21-____-000

**PRIOR NOTICE OF BLANKET CERTIFICATE ACTIVITY OF
ENABLE GAS TRANSMISSION, LLC**

Enable Gas Transmission, LLC (“EGT”), submits this Prior Notice of Blanket Certificate Activity (“Notice”) pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act (“NGA”);¹ Sections 157.205 and 157.216 of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“Commission” or “FERC”);² and the blanket certificate authorization granted to EGT in Docket Nos. CP82-384-000 and CP82-384-001 to notify the Commission of EGT’s intent to abandon in place all existing compressor units and related major and minor auxiliary facilities at its Taylor Compressor Station in Columbia County, Arkansas. In support of this Notice, EGT submits the following:

**I.
COMMUNICATIONS**

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¹ 15 U.S.C. §§ 717f (2018).

² 18 C.F.R. §§ 157.205 and 157.216 (2020).

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EGT respectfully requests that the Commission waive Rule 203(b)(3), 18 C.F.R. § 385.203(b)(3), in order to allow each of the designated representatives to be included on the official service list.

II. INFORMATION REGARDING THE APPLICANT

The exact legal name of EGT is Enable Gas Transmission, LLC. EGT is a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the state of Delaware. Its principal office is located at 910 Louisiana Street, Ste. 48040 (48th Floor), Houston, Texas 77002. EGT is a wholly owned subsidiary of Enable Midstream Partners, LP (“Enable Midstream”), a limited partnership. Enable Midstream is controlled equally by CenterPoint Energy, Inc. and OGE Energy Corp., which each have 50 percent of the management rights of Enable GP, LLC, the general partner of Enable Midstream. Enable Midstream is a midstream company with complementary transmission, gathering, processing, compression, and storage assets.

EGT is a natural gas company within the meaning of the NGA and is subject to the Commission’s regulatory jurisdiction. EGT provides open access transportation services pursuant to a certificate issued by the Commission in Docket No. CP88-820-000³ and Part 284

³ *Arkla Energy Resources*, 45 FERC ¶ 62,290 (1988), *appeal granted*, 46 FERC ¶ 61,187 (1989).

of the Commission's regulations.⁴ EGT, on behalf of various shippers, transports and delivers gas to distributors for resale for ultimate public consumption, to industrial customers for their own use and consumption and to third party pipeline interconnects located in the States of Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Texas.

III. BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF FACILITIES

EGT's Taylor Compressor Station is located on Line S in Columbia County, Arkansas. The station consists of an office building, seven compressor units and auxiliary facilities. The Taylor Compressor Station was originally installed and placed in service in 1954 under authority granted in Docket No. G-2307. Pursuant to Section 157.208(c)(3) and (4) of the Commission's Regulations, EGT includes, as Attachment A, a USGS 7.5-minute series topographical map showing the location of the facilities proposed to be abandoned and maps showing the relationship of the proposed facilities to EGT's existing facilities.

The Taylor Compressor Station most recently was used as a booster station and is not required to meet EGT's firm service obligations. None of the compressor units have been used to provide transportation service to EGT's customers during the past twelve months. Additionally, Taylor Compressor Station Unit Nos. 1, 3, 5, 6, and 7 did not run during the same period. Unit 2 and Unit 4 were run for maintenance purposes during the same period. As a result of changes on EGT's system and as evidenced by their limited use, EGT has determined that the compressor units will not be needed in the future. Rather than undertaking further upgrade and maintenance work on the compressors and related facilities, EGT proposes to abandon the existing compressor units, meter station and mainline valve, and auxiliary facilities in place. The proposed abandonment will eliminate the need to maintain facilities that are not necessary for transportation

⁴ 18 C.F.R. Part 284.

of natural gas on EGT's system.

EGT submits that the benefits of the instant proposal clearly outweigh any minimal adverse impacts. The proposed Project will enhance EGT's ability to provide safe and reliable service to its customers and will not negatively affect any customer's service on EGT's system. Accordingly, the Commission should find that the abandonment of the facilities described herein serves the public convenience and necessity.

IV. DESCRIPTION OF ABANDONMENT

EGT proposes to abandon in place seven 1,500 horsepower compressor units and auxiliary facilities located at its Taylor Compressor Station ("Facilities"). EGT further proposes to remove mainline valve #15 on Line S and in its place install approximately 30 feet of 20-inch pipe from approximately 3146+05 to 3,146+35. All major and minor auxiliary facilities including the compressor station fuel meter and auxiliary fuel meter will also be removed. Electrical connections to the units will also be disconnected. EGT will install a new transmitter on the existing meter (MS#083712) on Line S at approximately 2755+90. All work will be performed within the compressor station yard. Upon completion of the abandonment work, the compressor units and auxiliary facilities, will remain in place and may be used for spare parts. EGT will continue to operate and maintain the existing office building, station yard and fence line located at the Taylor Compressor Station. Therefore, EGT is not seeking abandonment of those facilities or of the station as a whole.

The estimated cost to construct the to be abandoned facilities at the Taylor Compressor Station in today's dollars is approximately \$30.2 million. The proposed abandonment is being filed pursuant to the prior notice provisions of the blanket certificate regulations due to the fact the

Facilities could now qualify for prior notice authorization as described in 157.203(c)⁵ of the Commission's Regulations. The proposed accounting treatment for the Facilities to be abandoned is included herein as Attachment B.

V. VERIFICATION

EGT verifies that the proposed activity for which authorization is requested will comply with the requirements of Part 157, Subpart F, of the Commission's Regulations. The abandonment described herein will not adversely affect any customers or service. There are no other applications related to the transactions described herein. A signed verified statement that the proposed activities comply with the requirements of Subpart F of Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations is included with this Notice.

VI. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

The requirements of Section 157.206(b)⁶ of the Commission's Regulations are not applicable to the proposed abandonment because all ground disturbing activities will be confined within the existing maintained and fenced facility lot. Furthermore, abandonment of the compressor units will eliminate them as a source of air and noise emissions. EGT submits that because of the nature of work and location of the facilities, its proposal will not have a significant environmental impact and that the requested authorization will not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. Additionally, the proposed abandonment is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement pursuant to Section 380.4(a)(36)⁷ of the

⁵ 18 C.F.R. § 157.203(c).

⁶ 18 C.F.R. § 157.206(b).

⁷ 18 C.F.R. § 380.4(a)(36).

Commission's Regulations because the abandonment of the facilities involves the abandonment of compression at a station that will remain in place.

Abandonment of all facilities will be undertaken in accordance with the May 2013 versions of FERC's *Upland Erosion Control Revegetation, and Maintenance Plan* and *Wetland and Waterbody Construction and Mitigation Procedures*, as applicable. All applicable permits and clearances have been obtained for compliance with the Endangered Species Act (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service). In addition, all applicable permits and clearances have been obtained from the Arkansas Historic Preservation Office for compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act.⁸ Copies of the relevant agency correspondence are contained herein as Attachment C.

VII. LANDOWNER NOTIFICATIONS

EGT submits that it will comply with the Commission's Landowner Notification requirement set forth in Section 157.203(d) of the Commission's regulations.⁹

VIII. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

Pursuant to the requirements of Sections 157.205 and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations, set forth below is the listing of attachments which are included in this Notice.

Volume I - Pubic

Prior Notice of Blanket Certificate Activity
Statement of Compliance
Attachment A – Location of Facilities
Attachment B – Accounting Treatment
Attachment C – Environmental Correspondence
Attachment D – Form of Notice

⁸ See 18 C.F.R. § 157.208(c)(9). The Coastal Zone Management Act is not applicable to the Project because the Project is outside of the Coastal Zone Management Boundary.

⁹ 18 C.F.R. § 157.208(d).

IX.
FORM OF NOTICE

In accordance with Section 157.6(b)(7) of the Commission's regulations, EGT has included herewith a Form of Notice of this Notice suitable for publication in the *Federal Register*.

X.
OTHER

If this Notice is protested and is treated as an application for authorization under Section 7 of the NGA pursuant to Section 157.205(f) of the Commission's regulations,¹⁰ EGT requests that the Commission grant the authorization in accordance with the shortened procedures set forth in Rules 801 and 802 of the Commission's Rules of Practices and Procedure.¹¹ Also, if the Commission utilizes the shortened procedures, and as required by Rules 801 and 802, EGT requests that the intermediate decision procedures be omitted and waives oral hearing and opportunity for filing exceptions.

XI.
CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth above, EGT respectfully requests that the Commission publish in the *Federal Register* public notice of this Notice to establish the 60-day period for the filing of protests or interventions and grant such further authorizations or waivers as may be necessary or appropriate. In accordance with Section 157.205(h) of the Commission's Regulations, upon the expiration of the 60-day notice period without a Protest being timely filed, or upon the timely withdrawal of any such Protest, as well as receipt of all requisite environmental permits and

¹⁰ 18 C.F.R. § 157.205(f).

¹¹ 18 C.F.R. §§ 385.801, 385.802.

approvals, EGT will be authorized to proceed with the Project proposed herein.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Lisa Yoho

Lisa Yoho

Senior Director, Regulatory & FERC Compliance
Enable Gas Transmission, LLC

May 18, 2021

STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF HARRIS)

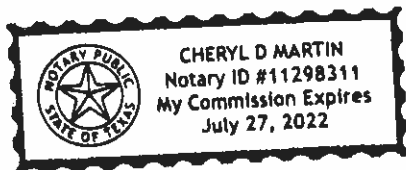
STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

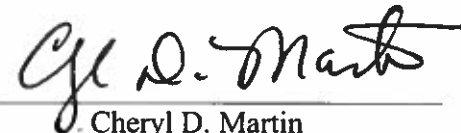
I, Lisa Yoho, being first duly sworn, hereby state that I am the Senior Director of Regulatory & FERC Compliance at Enable Gas Transmission, LLC , and as such am authorized to sign and verify the foregoing; that I have read said pleading and am familiar with the contents thereof; that the matters and things set forth therein are true and correct to the best my knowledge and belief; and that the proposed activity complies with the requirements of Subpart F of Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations.



Lisa Yoho

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this 18th day of May 2021.

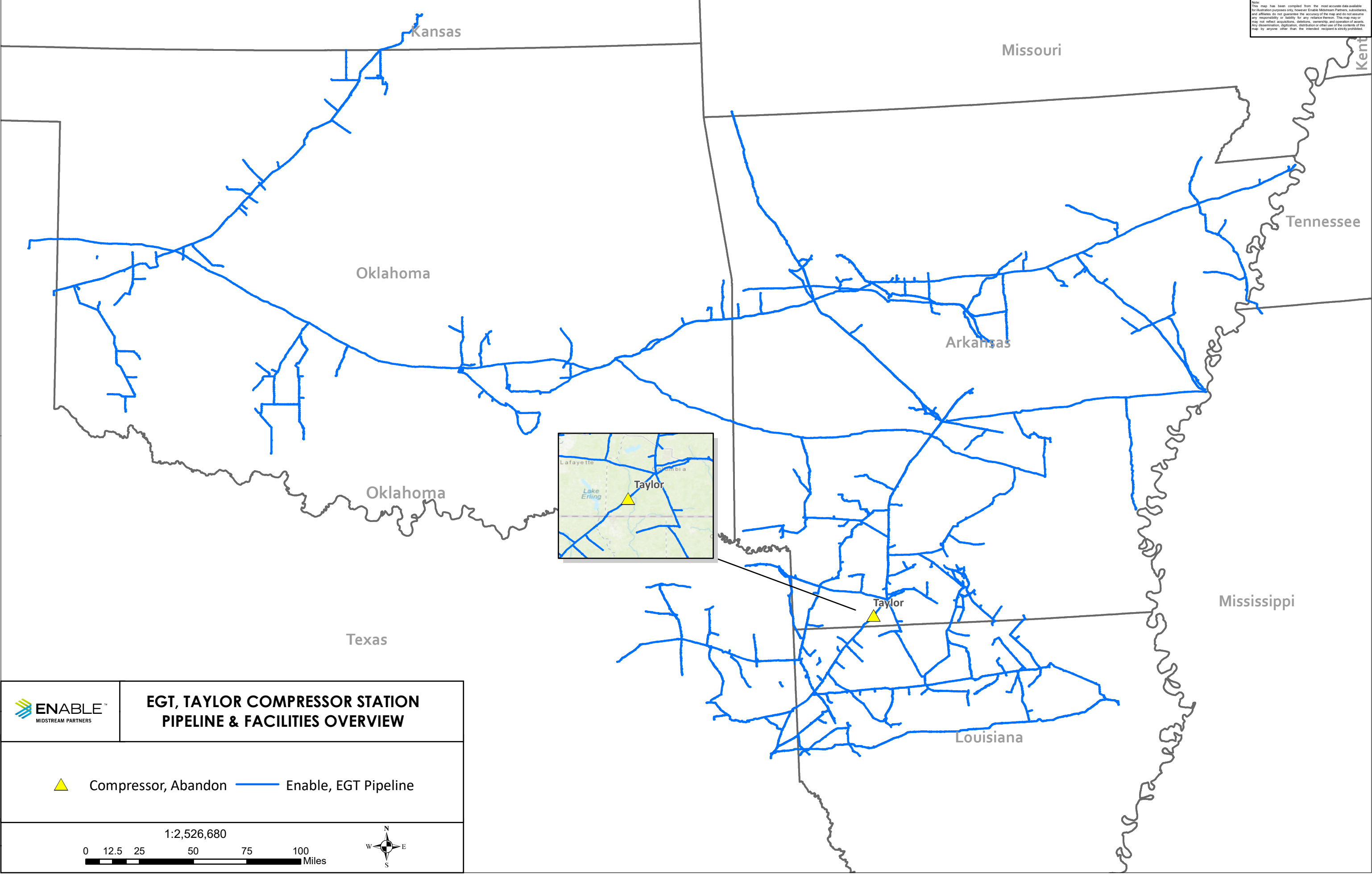


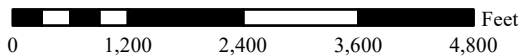


Cheryl D. Martin
Notary Public
in and for Harris County, Texas
My Commission Expires: 07-27-22
Notary Identification No. 11298311

ATTACHMENT A
LOCATION OF FACILITIES

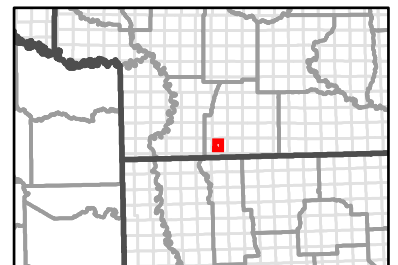
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This map has been compiled from the most accurate data available for illustration purposes only. However, Enable Midstream Partners, subsidiaries, and affiliates do not guarantee the accuracy of the map and do not assume any responsibility or liability for any reliance thereon. This map may or may not reflect acquisitions, deletions, ownership, and operation of assets. Any dissemination, digitization, distribution or other use of the contents of this map by anyone other than the intended recipient is strictly prohibited.





TAYLOR COMPRESSOR STATION

COLUMBIA COUNTY, AR



ATTACHMENT B

ACCOUNTING TREATMENT

ENABLE GAS TRANSMISSION, LLC
ACCOUNTING TREATMENT
ABANDONMENT OF TAYLOR COMPRESSOR STATION UNITS 1-7 AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT
AS OF 3/31/21

1	ORIGINAL COST OF FACILITIES TO BE ABANDONED					
	366	STRUCTURES AND IMPROVEMENTS		\$	400,510.80	
	367	MAINS			33,724.08	
	368	COMPRESSOR STATION EQUIPMENT			3,470,446.94	
	369	MEASURING AND REGULATING STATIONS			5,258.71	
	370	COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT			252,164.80	
	371	OTHER EQUIPMENT			<u>28,369.60</u>	
			TOTAL		<u>\$ 4,190,474.93</u>	
2	PROPOSED ACCOUNTING ENTRIES					
	DR	108	ACCUMULATED PROVISIONS FOR DEPRECIATION	\$	4,190,474.93	
	CR	101	GAS PLANT IN SERVICE			\$ 4,190,474.93
	Explanation: To record, at original cost, the abandonment of facilities					
	DR	108	ACCUMULATED PROVISIONS FOR DEPRECIATION	\$	31,384.00	
	CR	232	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE / VOUCHER PAYABLE			\$ 31,384.00
	Explanation: To record estimated cost of removal associated with the abandonment of facilities					

ATTACHMENT C

ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCY CORRESPONDENCE

USFWS CONSULTATIONS



United States Department of the Interior



FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE
Arkansas Ecological Services Field Office
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Conway, AR 72032-8975
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<http://www.fws.gov/arkansas-es>

IPaC Record Locator: 750-99434106

February 18, 2021

Subject: Consistency letter for 'Taylor Compressor Station Retirement Project' for specified federally threatened and endangered species and designated critical habitat that may occur in your proposed project area consistent with the Arkansas Determination Key for project review and guidance for federally listed species (Arkansas Dkey).

Dear John Reisz:

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) received on **February 18, 2021** your effect determination(s) for the 'Taylor Compressor Station Retirement Project' (the Action) using the Arkansas DKey within the Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) system. The Service developed this system in accordance with the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (87 Stat.884, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.).

Based on your answers to the Service's Arkansas DKey, you determined the proposed Action will have "no effect" on the following species.

Species	Determination
Endangered Red-cockaded Woodpecker (<i>Picoides borealis</i>)	No Effect
Proposed Threatened Eastern Black Rail (<i>Laterallus jamaicensis ssp. jamaicensis</i>)	No Effect
Threatened Red Knot (<i>Calidris canutus rufa</i>)	No Effect
Threatened Piping Plover (<i>Charadrius melodus</i>)	No Effect

Status

Your agency has met consultation requirements for these species by informing the Service of the "no effect" determinations. No further consultation for this project is required for these species. This consistency letter confirms you may rely on effect determinations you reached by considering the Arkansas DKey to satisfy agency consultation requirements under Section 7(a) (2) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (87 Stat. 884, as amended 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.; ESA).

The Service recommends that your agency contact the Arkansas Ecological Services Field Office or re-evaluate this key in IPaC if: 1) the scope, timing, duration, or location of the proposed project changes, 2) new information reveals the action may affect listed species or designated critical habitat; 4) a new species is listed or critical habitat designated. If any of the above conditions occurs, additional consultation with the Arkansas Ecological Services Field Office should take place before project changes are final or resources committed.

Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act: The following resources are provided to project proponents and consulting agencies as additional information. Bald and golden eagles are not included in this section 7(a)(2) consultation and this information does not constitute a determination of effects by the Service.

The Service developed the National Bald Eagle Management Guidelines to advise landowners, land managers, and others who share public and private lands with Bald Eagles when and under what circumstances the protective provisions of the BGEPA may apply to their activities. The guidelines should be consulted prior to conducting new or intermittent activity near an eagle nest. This document may be downloaded from the following site: <https://www.fws.gov/southeast/our-services/permits/eagles/>

To determine if your proposed activity is likely to take or disturb Bald Eagles, complete our step-by-step online self-certification process, which is located at <https://www.fws.gov/southeast/our-services/eagle-technical-assistance/>.

If the recommendations detailed in the National Bald Eagle Management Guidelines cannot be followed, you may apply for a permit to authorize removal or relocation of an eagle nest in certain instances. The application form is located at <http://www.fws.gov/forms/3-200-72.pdf>.

Action Description

You provided to IPaC the following name and description for the subject Action.

1. Name

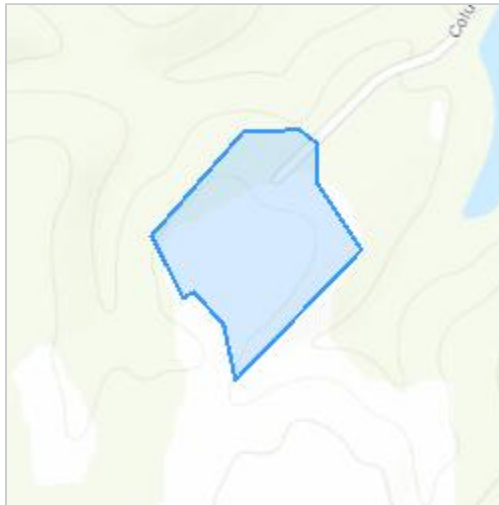
Taylor Compressor Station Retirement Project

2. Description

The following description was provided for the project 'Taylor Compressor Station Retirement Project':

EGT is planning to retire in place the existing Taylor Compressor Station including Engine Units #2,3,4 and 6 and remove a main line valve (MLV) on Line S which passes through the compressor station yard. In conjunction with this work EGT will also install approximately 30-feet of 20-inch yard pipe in place of the MLV setting. All major equipment inside station yard including metering stations, compressor station fuel meter and auxiliary fuel meters will be removed from service and retired in place. Any and all ground disturbing activities associated with this project will be confined within the existing and maintained compressor station facility fence line.

Approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <https://www.google.com/maps/@33.0919972,-93.39594007087183,14z>



Species Protection Measures

Qualification Interview

1. Have you made an effects determination of "no effect" for all species in the area of the project? A "no effect" determination means the project will have no beneficial effect, no short-term adverse effects, and no long-term adverse effects on any of the species on the IPaC-generated species list for the proposed project or those species habitat. A project with effects that cannot be meaningfully measured, detected or evaluated, effects that are extremely unlikely to occur, or entirely beneficial effects should not have a "no effect" determination. (If unsure, select "No").

No

2. Is the action authorized, funded, or being carried out by a Federal agency?

Yes

3. Choose the agency you represent in this consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service:

f. All other federal agencies or agency designees

4. [Semantic] Does the project intersect designated critical habitat for the Leopard Darter?

Automatically answered

No

5. [Semantic] Does the project intersect designated critical habitat for the Neosho Mucket?

Automatically answered

No

6. [Semantic] Does the project intersect designated critical habitat for Yellowcheek Darter?

Automatically answered

No

7. [Semantic] Does the project intersect designated critical habitat for Rabbitsfoot?

Automatically answered

No

8. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the American burying beetle consultation area?

Automatically answered

No

9. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the red-cockaded woodpecker AOI?

Automatically answered

Yes

10. Will the project include removal (including by prescribed fire) of suitable RCW foraging habitat

(pine or pine/hardwood stands in which 50 percent or more of the dominant trees are pines and the dominant pine trees are 30 years of age or older) ([Appendix 4 of the Recovery Plan](#))? Contact ARFO for assistance in determining suitable habitat, if needed.

No

11. Will the project involve removal of suitable nesting habitat (pine or pine/hardwood stands that contain pines 60 years of age or older)?
No
 12. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the Eastern black rail AOI?
Automatically answered
Yes
 13. Will the project affect sand and gravel areas or shorelines along rivers, lakes, or reservoirs?
No
 14. Does the project take place in marshy or flooded open field habitat?
No
 15. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the red knot AOI?
Automatically answered
Yes
 16. [Semantic (same answer as "8.1.3")] Will the project affect sand and gravel areas or shorelines along rivers, lakes, or reservoirs?
Automatically answered
No
 17. [Semantic (same answer as "8.2")] Does the project take place in marshy or flooded open field habitat?
Automatically answered
No
 18. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the Piping Plover AOI?
Automatically answered
Yes
 19. [Semantic (same answer as "8.1.3 or 9.3")] Will the project affect sand and gravel areas or shorelines along rivers, lakes, or reservoirs?
Automatically answered
No
 20. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the Whooping Crane AOI?
Automatically answered
No
 21. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the interior least tern AOI?
Automatically answered
No
 22. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the Gray Bat AOI?
Automatically answered
No
 23. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the Ozark Big-eared Bat AOI?
Automatically answered
No
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24. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the Indiana bat AOI?
Automatically answered
No
25. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the Northern Long-eared bat AOI?
Automatically answered
No
26. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the Benton County Cave Crayfish AOI?
Automatically answered
No
27. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the Hell Creek Cave Crayfish AOI?
Automatically answered
No
28. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the Ozark cavefish AOI?
Automatically answered
No
29. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the Missouri bladderpod AOI?
Automatically answered
No
30. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the Geocarpon AOI?
Automatically answered
No
31. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the running buffalo clover AOI?
Automatically answered
No
32. [Semantic] Does the project intersect the Pondberry AOI?
Automatically answered
No
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IN REPLY REFER TO:

United States Department of the Interior

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November 24, 2020

Reference: I0201

John J. Reisz
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Dear Mr. Reisz:

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) has reviewed your letter dated October 20, 2020 requesting a blanket threatened and endangered species clearance letter for the activities of Enable Midstream Partners, LP and following entities: Enable Gas Transmission, LLC, Enable Gas Gathering, LLC, Enable Pipeline Services, LLC, and Enable Mississippi River Transmission, LLC. Our comments are submitted in accordance with the Endangered Species Act (87 Stat. 884, as amended 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.; ESA) and Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (48 Stat. as amended; 16 U.S.C. et seq.).

The Service agrees to extend a blanket endangered species clearance for minor activities as outlined in the October 20, 2020 letter, Items 1, 2, 3, and 4. Item 1 includes work with no ground disturbing activities within existing previously disturbed right-of-ways (ROW) currently maintained within the state of Arkansas. Item 2 includes ground disturbing activities that are located on previously cleared and graded areas that have been disturbed in the same depth as the proposed activity. Item 3 includes ground disturbing activities in previously disturbed and maintained ROW other than listed in item 2. Item 4 includes ground disturbing activities in other previously disturbed areas (e.g., agricultural fields, residential areas, or urban areas) that have already been cleared and graded or disturbed to the same depth as the proposed activity. Enable will continue to consult with the Service for projects not covered by the above items and in sensitive areas as described below.

Because of the presence of listed and other sensitive species, ground disturbing activities in the Little Red River watershed (portions of Pope, Cleburne, Searcy, Stone, Independence, White, and Van Buren Counties) are not included in this "blanket clearance" and must be reviewed by our office. Further, the federally threatened Missouri Bladderpod may inhabit pipeline right-of-ways. Refer to the Service website at www.fws.gov/arkansas-es/Species/Plants/missouribladderpod.html for the Missouri Bladderpod consultation area in Arkansas. Any project occurring in this area that includes ground disturbing activities in suitable habitat (primarily open limestone, dolomite, and shale glades (i.e., treeless, shallow soils, and exposed rock)) will require individual consultation.

Please be aware Bald Eagle is not protected under the ESA. Bald Eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668 *et seq.*). Refer to the Service's website at www.fws.gov/southeast/ourservices/permits/eagles/#national-rules-and-regulations for management guidelines and conservation measures.

With the exception of the above counties and work near Bald Eagle nest trees, we concur that Enable Midstream Partners should not adversely affect federally listed species in Arkansas. Accordingly, a "blanket clearance" is granted for such activities as described in your letter submitted on October 20, 2020. This blanket clearance shall be valid from January 1 through December 31, 2021.

Sincerely,

For Melvin Tobin
Field Supervisor



United States Department of the Interior



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In Reply Refer To:

February 18, 2021

Consultation Code: 04ER1000-2021-SLI-0676

Event Code: 04ER1000-2021-E-01852

Project Name: Taylor Compressor Station Retirement Project

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

The enclosed species list identifies endangered, threatened, proposed, and candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat, that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirements of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (Act) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). **This letter only provides an official species list and technical assistance; if you determine that listed species and/or designated critical habitat may be affected in any way by the proposed project, even if the effect is wholly beneficial, consultation with the Service will be necessary.**

If you determine that this project will have no effect on listed species and their habitat in any way, then you have completed Section 7 consultation with the Service and may use this letter in your project file or application.

The purpose of the Act is to provide a means whereby threatened and endangered species and the ecosystems upon which they depend may be conserved. Under sections 7(a)(1) and 7(a)(2) of the Act and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 402 *et seq.*), federal agencies are required to utilize their authorities to carry out programs for the conservation of threatened and endangered species and to determine whether projects may affect threatened and endangered species and/or designated critical habitat. More information on the regulations and procedures for section 7 consultation, including the role of permit or license applicants, can be found on our website.

Please visit our website at <http://www.fws.gov/arkansas-es/IPaC/home.html> for species-specific guidance to avoid and minimize adverse effects to federally endangered, threatened, proposed, and candidate species. Our web site also contains additional information on species life history and habitat requirements that may be useful in project planning.

If your project involves in-stream construction activities, oil and natural gas infrastructure, road construction, transmission lines, or communication towers, please review our project specific guidance at <http://www.fws.gov/arkansas-es/IPaC/ProjSpec.html>.

The karst region of Arkansas is a unique region that covers the **northern third of Arkansas** and we have specific guidance to conserve sensitive cave-obligate and bat species. **Please visit <http://www.fws.gov/arkansas-es/IPaC/Karst.html> to determine if your project occurs in the karst region and to view karst specific-guidance.** Proper implementation and maintenance of best management practices specified in these guidance documents is necessary to avoid adverse effects to federally protected species and often avoids the more lengthy formal consultation process.

If your species list includes any mussels, Northern Long-eared Bat, Indiana Bat, Yellowcheek Darter, Red-cockaded Woodpecker, or American Burying Beetle, your project may require a presence/absence and/or habitat survey prior to commencing project activities. Please check the appropriate species-specific guidance on our website to determine if your project requires a survey. We strongly recommend that you contact the appropriate staff species lead biologist (see office directory or species page) prior to conducting presence/absence surveys to ensure the appropriate level of effort and methodology.

Under the ESA, it is the responsibility of the Federal action agency or its designated representative to determine if a proposed action "may affect" endangered, threatened, or proposed species, or designated critical habitat, and if so, to consult with the Service further. Similarly, it is the responsibility of the Federal action agency or project proponent, not the Service, to make "no effect" determinations. If you determine that your proposed action will have "no effect" on threatened or endangered species or their respective critical habitat, you do not need to seek concurrence with the Service. Nevertheless, it is a violation of Federal law to harm or harass any federally-listed threatened or endangered fish or wildlife species without the appropriate permit.

Through the consultation process, we will analyze information contained in a biological assessment that you provide. If your proposed action is associated with Federal funding or permitting, consultation will occur with the Federal agency under section 7(a)(2) of the ESA. Otherwise, an incidental take permit pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the ESA (also known as a habitat conservation plan) is necessary to harm or harass federally listed threatened or endangered fish or wildlife species. In either case, there is no mechanism for authorizing incidental take "after-the-fact." For more information regarding formal consultation and HCPs, please see the Service's Consultation Handbook and Habitat Conservation Plans at www.fws.gov/endangered/esa-library/index.html#consultations.

New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list. Please feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species and federally designated and proposed critical habitat. Please note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the Act, **the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days.** This verification can be completed formally or informally as desired. The Service recommends that verification be

completed by visiting the ECOS-IPaC website at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the ECOS-IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list.

We appreciate your concern for threatened and endangered species. The Service encourages Federal agencies to include conservation of threatened and endangered species into their project planning to further the purposes of the Act. **Please include the Consultation Tracking Number in the header of this letter with any request for consultation or correspondence about your project that you submit to our office.**

Attachment(s):

- Official Species List

Official Species List

This list is provided pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, and fulfills the requirement for Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary of the Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action".

This species list is provided by:

Arkansas Ecological Services Field Office

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Conway, AR 72032-8975

(501) 513-4470

Project Summary

Consultation Code: 04ER1000-2021-SLI-0676

Event Code: 04ER1000-2021-E-01852

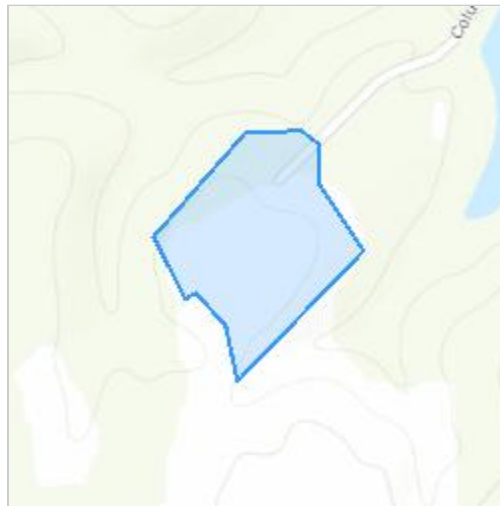
Project Name: Taylor Compressor Station Retirement Project

Project Type: OIL OR GAS

Project Description: EGT is planning to retire in place the existing Taylor Compressor Station including Engine Units #2,3,4 and 6 and remove a main line valve (MLV) on Line S which passes through the compressor station yard. In conjunction with this work EGT will also install approximately 30-feet of 20-inch yard pipe in place of the MLV setting. All major equipment inside station yard including metering stations, compressor station fuel meter and auxiliary fuel meters will be removed from service and retired in place. Any and all ground disturbing activities associated with this project will be confined within the existing and maintained compressor station facility fence line.

Project Location:

Approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <https://www.google.com/maps/@33.0919972,-93.39594007087183,14z>



Counties: Columbia County, Arkansas

Endangered Species Act Species

There is a total of 4 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on this species list.

Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species.

IPaC does not display listed species or critical habitats under the sole jurisdiction of NOAA Fisheries¹, as USFWS does not have the authority to speak on behalf of NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

See the "Critical habitats" section below for those critical habitats that lie wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

1. [NOAA Fisheries](#), also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.

Birds

NAME	STATUS
Eastern Black Rail <i>Laterallus jamaicensis ssp. jamaicensis</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10477	Threatened
Piping Plover <i>Charadrius melodus</i> Population: [Atlantic Coast and Northern Great Plains populations] - Wherever found, except those areas where listed as endangered. There is final critical habitat for this species. The location of the critical habitat is not available. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6039	Threatened
Red Knot <i>Calidris canutus rufa</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1864	Threatened
Red-cockaded Woodpecker <i>Picoides borealis</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/7614	Endangered

Critical habitats

THERE ARE NO CRITICAL HABITATS WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA UNDER THIS OFFICE'S JURISDICTION.

ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM
CONSULTATIONS

Beach, Travis E

From: Phillip McMath <Phillip.McMath@arkansas.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 30, 2021 3:39 PM
To: Reisz, John J
Cc: Eric Mills
Subject: AHPP Section 106 Review: 107579; Columbia County, Arkansas

EXTERNAL EMAIL

Mr. Reisz:

The Arkansas Historic Preservation Program (AHPP) staff reviewed the FERC proposal (AHPP: 107579) to retire from service and remove four compressor units, associated piping, above and below ground valves, storage tanks, and concrete foundations with supports for the existing Taylor Compressor Station located in Section 16, Township 19 South, Range 22 West in Columbia County, Arkansas.

Based on the information provided in the FERC project submission, the AHPP will concur with a finding of **no historic properties affected pursuant to 36 CFR 800.4(d)(1)**.

In the event of a post-review discovery of historic properties within the area of potential effects, please contact the AHPP and other consulting parties in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.13(b)(3).

Tribes that have expressed an interest in the area include the Caddo Nation (Ms. Tamara Francis), the Cherokee Nation (Ms. Elizabeth Toombs), the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma (Ms. Madison Currie), the Jena Band of Choctaw Indians (Ms. Alina J. Shively), the Muscogee (Creek) Nation (Ms. Corain Lowe-Zepeda), the Osage Nation (Dr. Andrea Hunter), the Quapaw Nation (Mr. Everett Bandy), and the Shawnee Tribe (Ms. Tonya Tipton). We recommend consultation in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.2(c)(2).

Please refer to the AHPP Tracking Number listed above in all correspondence. If you have any questions, please call Phillip McMath of my staff at 501-324-9270 (office), 501-516-2004 (mobile) or email phillip.mcmath@arkansas.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/ Phillip Bruce McMath

Scott Kaufman
Director, AHPP

cc Dr. Melissa Zabecki, Arkansas Archeological Survey

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ATTACHMENT D

FORM OF NOTICE

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

Enable Gas Transmission, LLC

Docket No. CP21-____-000

NOTICE OF REQUEST UNDER BLANKET AUTHORIZATION

(_____ , 2021)

Take notice that on May 18, 2021, Enable Gas Transmission, LLC (“EGT”) filed in Docket No. CP21-____-000 a Prior Notice of Blanket Certificate Activity (“Notice”) pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act (“NGA”); Sections 157.205 and 157.216 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s (“Commission”) regulations; and EGT’s blanket certificate issued in Docket Nos. CP82-384-000 and CP82-384-001. EGT proposes to abandon in place all existing compressor units and related major and minor auxiliary facilities at its existing Taylor Compressor Station in Columbia County, Arkansas., all as more fully set forth in Prior Notice of Blanket Certificate Activity which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Any questions regarding this Notice should be directed to Lisa Yoho, Sr. Director Regulatory and FERC Compliance, Enable Gas Transmission, LLC, 910 Louisiana St., 48th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, Phone: (346) 701-2539, Facsimile: (346) 701-2905, Email: lisa.yoho@enablemidstream.com.

Any person or the Commission’s Staff may, within 60 days after the issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission’s Procedural Rules (18 C.F.R. § 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and, pursuant to Section 157.205 of the Commission’s regulations (18 C.F.R. § 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the NGA.

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 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 EGT. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than EGT.

The Commission encourages electronic submission 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 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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, D.C. There is an "eSubscription" link on the web site that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Comment Date: 5:00 pm Eastern Time on (insert date).

Kimberly D. Bose
Secretary