## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Florida Gas Transmission Company, LLC

Docket No. CP15-144-000

# NOTICE OF SCHEDULE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF THE JACKSONVILLE EXPANSION PROJECT

(November 12, 2015)

On March 31, 2015, Florida Gas Transmission Company, LLC (FGT) filed an application in Docket No. CP15-144-000 requesting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act to construct and operate certain natural gas pipeline facilities. The proposed project is known as the Jacksonville Expansion Project (Project). According to FGT, the purpose of the Project is to provide a total of approximately 75,000 MMBtu/d of natural gas capacity to be delivered at various amounts at several points throughout Florida.

On April 13, 2015, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) issued its Notice of Application for the Project. Among other things, that notice alerted agencies issuing federal authorizations of the requirement to complete all necessary reviews and to reach a final decision on a request for a federal authorization within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Project. This instant notice identifies the FERC staff's planned schedule for the completion of the EA for the Project.

#### Schedule for Environmental Review

Issuance of EA 90-day Federal Authorization Decision Deadline December 18, 2015 March 17, 2016

If a schedule change becomes necessary, additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies are kept informed of the Project's progress.

#### **Project Description**

FGT proposes to construct approximately 3.0 miles of 30-inch-diameter looping pipeline and associated facilities<sup>1</sup> in Suwannee and Columbia Counties; install one new compressor unit, re-wheel an existing turbine compressor unit, and construct and modify piping and valves at Compressor Station 16 in Bradford County; construct approximately

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5.7 miles of 20-inch-diameter looping pipeline and associated facilities in Bradford County; and construct a new regulation station in Bradford County.

#### **Background**

On May 19, 2015, the Commission issued a Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Jacksonville Expansion Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues (NOI). The NOI was sent to affected landowners; federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. In response to the NOI, the Commission received two consultation letters regarding the review of cultural and historic resources.

### **Additional Information**

In order to receive notification of the issuance of the EA and to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription. 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 <a href="https://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp">www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp</a>.

Additional information about the Project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (866) 208-FERC or on the FERC website (<a href="www.ferc.gov">www.ferc.gov</a>). Using the "eLibrary" link, select "General Search" from the eLibrary menu, enter the selected date range and "Docket Number" excluding the last three digits (i.e., CP15-144), and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to eLibrary, the helpline can be reached at (866) 208-3676, TTY (202) 502-8659, or at <a href="FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov">FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov</a>. The eLibrary link on the FERC website also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rule makings.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Associated facilities include new or relocated pig launchers and receivers, valves, and cathodic protection equipment