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Comment Date: 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, February 27, 2013.

Dated: February 21, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP13-76-000]

Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc.; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

Take notice that on February 11, 2013, Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc. (Southern Star), 4700 Highway 56, P.O. Box 20010, Owensboro, Kentucky 42304-0010, filed in Docket No. CP13-76-000, a prior notice request pursuant to sections 157.203, 157.205, 157.208, and 157.213 of the Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA), seeking authorization to install a storage gas recovery system at its Alden Storage Field in Rice County, Kansas, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open for public inspection.

Specifically, Southern Star proposes to construct a new compressor site gas and storage gas recovery laterals in order to reclaim storage gas that has migrated vertically and to prevent further migration. The gas recovery laterals will be installed pursuant to the automatic provisions of Southern Star's blanket certificate authorized in Docket No. CP82-479. The estimated cost of the proposed facilities is \$3,522,000.

Any questions regarding the applications should be directed to David N. Roberts, Staff Analyst, Regulatory Compliance, Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc., 4700 Highway 56, Owensboro, Kentucky 42301 or call 270-852-4654.

Any person 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 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention. Any person filing to intervene or the Commission's staff may, pursuant to section 157.205 of

the Commission's Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205) file 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 If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to section 7 of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.

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 commenter's 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 commenter's will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commentary, 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 (www.ferc.gov) under the "e-Filing" link. 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.

Dated: February 21, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP13-79-000]

Equitrans, L.P. Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

Take notice that on February 12, 2013, Equitrans, L.P. (Equitrans), pursuant to the blanket certificate authorization

granted in Docket No. CP96-532-000,¹ filed an application in accordance to sections 157.205, 157.208(c), and 157(210) of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) as amended, to construct, own, operate, and maintain its Low Pressure East Upgrade Project (Project) in Allegheny, Washington, and Greene Counties, Pennsylvania. Equitrans proposes to replace and pressure test certain portions of its H-129, H-128, and H-111 pipelines and to retest the H-101 pipeline. The replacement and retest of pipelines will result in an increase in Maximum Allowable Operating Pressure (MAOP). The proposed Project will allow for more flexibility for Equitrans' customers to better serve Pittsburgh and surrounding markets, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Equitrans proposes to replace approximately 4.91 miles of pipe and to pressure test 10.10 miles of existing pipeline to better maintain system integrity and operational reliability. In addition, launchers and receivers will be installed on the facilities, which will make the line capable of in-line inspections for integrity purposes with out disruption to customer service. Also, Equitrans proposes to upgrade interconnects, meter taps, and appurtenant facilities along its system in Allegheny, Washington, and Greene Counties, Pennsylvania. As a result of the proposed Project, the MAOP of the Project will increase from about 216 psig to 655 psig, except for a small portion of the H-111 line which will be increased to an MAOP of 546 psig. Increasing the MAOP will position Equitrans to be able to receive gas in the future from high-pressure production wells located in the Marcellus Shale Play. Equitrans anticipates that work on all pipeline replacement and retest activities will be performed within previously disturbed areas used during the original installation of the pipeline facilities. A 75-foot temporary construction right-of-way that includes the existing right-of-way will be used during construction of the Project. Equitrans estimates that the cost of the Project will be approximately \$29,407,261. The projected in-service date of the Project is November 1, 2013.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Paul W. Diehl, Senior Counsel—Midstream EQT Corporation, 625 Liberty Avenue, Suite 1700, Pittsburgh, PA 15222, (412) 395-5540, or email at PDiehl@eqt.com.

¹ *Equitrans, L.P.*, 85 FERC ¶ 61,089 (1998).

This filing is available for review at the Commission or may 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. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free at (866) 206-3676, or, for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. 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 intervenors to file electronically.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 60 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 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 filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the NGA.

Dated: February 21, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 7783-000]

Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority; Notice of Termination of Exemption by Implied Surrender and Soliciting Comments, Protests, and Motions To Intervene

Take notice that the following hydroelectric proceeding has been initiated by the Commission:

- a. *Type of Proceeding:* Termination of exemption by implied surrender.
- b. *Project No.:* 7783-000.
- c. *Date Initiated:* February 21, 2013.
- d. *Exemptee:* Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority.

e. *Name and Location of Project:* The Cedar Falls Hydroelectric Project is located on the Deep River in Randolph County, North Carolina.

f. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR 4.106.

g. *Exemptee Contact Information:* Greg Flory, P.O. Box 1326, Randleman, North Carolina, 27317.

h. *FERC Contact:* Krista Sakallaris (202)502-6302 or Krista.Sakallaris@ferc.gov.

i. Deadline for filing comments, protests, and motions to intervene is 30 days from the issuance of this notice by the Commission. Please file your submittal electronically via the Internet (eFiling) in lieu of paper. Please refer to the instructions on the Commission's Web site under <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp> and filing instructions in the Commission's Regulations at 18 CFR section 385.2001(a)(1)(iii).¹ To assist you with eFilings you should refer to the submission guidelines document at <http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide/user-guide.pdf>. In addition, certain filing requirements have statutory or regulatory formatting and other instructions. You should refer to a list of these "qualified documents" at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing.pdf>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. Please include the project number (P-7783-000) on any documents or motions filed. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings; otherwise, you should submit an original and seven copies of its submittal to the following address: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Mail Code: DHAC, PJ-12, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

j. *Description of Existing Facilities:* The inoperative project consists of the following existing facilities: (1) An existing reservoir behind an upstream dam of two existing dams in the project, with a surface area of 2.5 acres and a storage capacity of 9.0 acre-feet; (2) a 125-foot-long, 6-foot-high concrete slab and buttress, upstream dam; (3) a 80-foot-long, 9-foot-high dam 300 feet downstream from the upstream dam and located on the left side of an island that splits Deep River into two streams; (4) the use of 70-feet of an existing 15-foot-wide, 200-foot-long intake canal; (5) a penstock off the right side of the intake canal; (6) a powerhouse with two turbine/generator units operating at a hydraulic head of 16-feet for a total installed capacity of 275 kW; (7) a 50-

foot-long transmission line; (8) and appurtenant facilities.

k. *Description of Proceeding:* The exemptee is in violation of Standard Article 1 of its exemption, which was granted on September 6, 1984 (28 FERC ¶ 62,338). The Commission's regulation, 18 CFR 4.106, provides, among other things, that the Commission reserves the right to revoke an exemption if any term or condition of the exemption is violated. During a May 2006 dam safety inspection, Commission staff found that the project stopped operating sometime after 2003.

Commission staff inspected the project again in March 2009 and in August 2012. The exemptee did not provide a project representative during either of these inspections. The Commission attempted to contact the exemptee, requiring a plan and schedule to resume operation; the exemptee did not respond.

In November 2012, and again in January 2013, the Commission sent letters requiring the exemptee to file a plan and schedule to restore project operation or an application to surrender the project. The letter stated that the Commission would begin an implied surrender process if the plan was not filed. To date, the exemptee has not filed a response and the project remains inoperable.

l. This notice is available for review and reproduction at the Commission in the Public Reference Room, Room 2A, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. The filing may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the Docket number (P-7783-000) excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the notice. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3676 or email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. *Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene*—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, and 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the

¹ <http://www.ferc.gov/legal/fed-sta.asp> Select the link for Code of Federal Regulations and navigate to § 385.2001.