FERC Process



Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, or FERC, is the agency that regulates the interstate transmission of natural gas, oil, and electricity. It also licenses, inspects and oversees environmental matters for hydroelectric projects and major electricity policy initiatives.

FERC's natural gas responsibilities include regulation of:

- Pipeline, storage and liquefied natural gas facility construction
- Interstate transportation of natural gas
- Facility abandonment

FERC also:

- Oversees the construction and operation of pipeline facilities at United States points of entry for the import or export of natural gas
- Issues certificates of public convenience and necessity to prospective companies providing energy services or constructing and operating interstate pipelines and storage facilities
- Establishes rates for services

Use of the Pre-Filing Environmental Review (PF) Process is Approved (voluntary) Conduct Scoping to Determine Environmental Issues and Attempt to Resolve Issues **Applicant files FERC Application** FERC issues Notice of Application Conduct scoping (if the PF Process is not used) Issue EA or Draft EIS Respond to environmental comments / Issue final EIS

Commission Issues Order

Process for Natural Gas Certificates

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