

April 13, 2007

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose
Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, N.E.
Washington, D. C. 20426

Re: Southern Natural Gas Company – Cypress Pipeline Project
Docket No. CP05-388-000
Request for Authorization for Commencement of Service – Phase 1

Dear Ms. Bose:

On June 15, 2006, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“Commission”) issued in the above-referenced proceeding its Order Issuing Certificates (“June 15 Order”) authorizing, among other things, Southern Natural Gas Company (“Southern”) to construct, own and operate approximately 166 miles of 24-inch pipeline in Georgia and Florida, the Cypress Pipeline Project (“Cypress Pipeline Project”). On September 26, 2006, Southern received authorization from the Director of the Commission’s Office of Energy Projects to proceed with the construction of the Phase 1 facilities. By filing dated October 6, 2006, Southern notified the Commission that construction of the Phase 1 facilities began on October 2, 2006.

Construction of the Phase 1 facilities is now substantially complete. The only activities remaining to be completed are the tie-in of various facilities, including the interconnections at the proposed interconnections with Southern’s South Georgia facilities in Nassau County, Florida, and with Atlanta Gas Light Company (“Atlanta”) in Glynn County, Georgia (Southern’s measurement and interconnection are complete but it will be several more weeks before Atlanta’s facilities are ready to complete the interconnection), the hydrostatic testing of two segments of the 24-inch pipeline, and the running of caliper pigs. Except as noted, Southern anticipates all of these activities will be completed by the end of the week of April 23, 2007. Final cleanup and restoration of the right-of-way is in progress, and the Commission’s environmental inspectors will be making their pre-commencement-of-service inspection the week of April 16, 2007. Therefore, in compliance with Environmental Condition No. 8 of the June 15 Order, Southern hereby files an original and seven (7) copies this request to commence the Phase 1 transportation services of its Cypress Pipeline Project on May 1, 2007.

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A Certificate of Service is attached.

Please time stamp and return the enclosed copy of this letter. Any questions concerning this filing may be addressed to the undersigned at (205) 325-7114.

Very truly yours,

SOUTHERN NATURAL GAS COMPANY



R. David Hendrickson

Enclosures

cc: Mr. John Wood
Commission Staff
Room 61-61

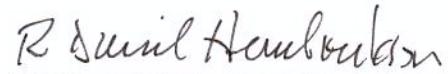
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Room 6H-02

Mr. David Potter
NRG

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served the foregoing document upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Dated at Birmingham, Alabama this 13th day of April 2007.



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