



DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP21-44-003]

LA Storage, LLC; Notice of Request for Extension of Time

Take notice that on April 30, 2025, LA Storage, LLC (LA Storage) requested that the Commission grant an extension of time, until September 23, 2030, to construct and place into service its Hackberry Storage Project (Project) located in Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana as authorized in the Order Issuing Certificate (Order).¹ The Order required LA Storage to complete construction of the Project and make it available for service within three years of the date of the Order, or by September 23, 2025.

LA Storage has obtained all necessary Federal, state, and local authorizations and was authorized to begin construction of the Project on November 21, 2024.² Subsequently, LA Storage has commenced construction activities on pipeline, compressor station, brine and appurtenant facilities in March 2025. Despite its good faith efforts to advance the project, the proposed schedule requires the need to sequence construction activities, then request and receive additional incremental agency approvals necessary to complete construction. As a result, LA Storage does not anticipate completing construction prior to September 23, 2025. LA Storage therefore requests an extension of time until September 23, 2030 to complete construction of the Project and make it available for service.

¹ *LA Storage, LLC*, 180 ¶ 61,18 (2022).

² *LA Storage, LLC*, CP21-44-000, et al, delegated letter order issued November 21, 2024.

This notice establishes a 15-calendar day intervention and comment period deadline. Any person wishing to comment on LA Storage's request for an extension of time may do so. No reply comments or answers will be considered. If you wish to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this request, you should, on or before the comment date stated below, file a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (18 CFR 157.10).

As a matter of practice, the Commission itself generally acts on requests for extensions of time to complete construction for NGA facilities when such requests are contested before order issuance. For those extension requests that are contested,³ the Commission will aim to issue an order acting on the request within 45 days.⁴ The Commission will address all arguments relating to whether the applicant has demonstrated there is good cause to grant the extension.⁵ The Commission will not consider arguments that re-litigate the issuance of the certificate order, including whether the Commission properly found the project to be in the public convenience and necessity and whether the Commission's environmental analysis for the certificate complied with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).⁶ At the time a pipeline requests an extension of time, orders on certificates of public convenience and necessity are final and the Commission

³ Contested proceedings are those where an intervenor disputes any material issue of the filing. 18 CFR 385.2201(c)(1).

⁴ *Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC*, 170 FERC ¶ 61,144, at P 40 (2020).

⁵ *Id.* at P 40.

⁶ Similarly, the Commission will not re-litigate the issuance of an NGA section 3 authorization, including whether a proposed project is not inconsistent with the public interest and whether the Commission's environmental analysis for the permit order complied with NEPA.

will not re-litigate their issuance.⁷ The Director of the Office of Energy Projects, or his or her designee, will act on all of those extension requests that are uncontested.

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The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments in lieu of paper using the "eFile" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy which must reference the Project docket number.

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⁷ *Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC*, 170 FERC ¶ 61,144, at P 40 (2020).

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Comment Date: 5:00 pm Eastern Time on May 22, 2025.

Dated: May 7, 2025.

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