

BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
NOTICE OF NEED DETERMINATION HEARING ON
PROPOSED INTRASTATE NATURAL GAS PIPELINE LATERAL

TO

SUNSHINE PIPELINE PARTNERS
FLORIDA GAS TRANSMISSION COMPANY

AND

ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES

DOCKET NO. 940310-GP

IN RE: PETITION OF SUNSHINE PIPELINE PARTNERS FOR
DETERMINATION OF NEED FOR PROPOSED PIPELINE LATERAL

ISSUED: 4/1/94

NOTICE is hereby given that the Florida Public Service Commission will hold a hearing in the above docket at the time and place listed below. All persons who wish to be heard are urged to be present at the beginning of the hearing on May 27, 1994.

9:30 a.m., Friday, May 27, 1994
101 East Gaines Street
Room 106 - Fletcher Building
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0863

PURPOSE AND PROCEDURE

The purpose of this hearing will be to take evidence to determine the need, pursuant to Section 403.9422, Florida Statutes, for the construction and operation of the proposed intrastate natural gas pipeline lateral for the Sunshine Pipeline. The lateral, which would be called the "Hardee lateral", would originate from the Polk County terminus of the Sunshine mainline pipeline and extend into Hardee County. It will consist of 17.9 miles of 16 inch pipe to serve the Seminole Electric Cooperative Hardee Power Station Project located in Hardee County.

The need determination proceedings will be governed by the provisions of Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, Section 403.9422, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 25-22, Florida Administrative Code.

Under Section 403.9422, the Commission is the sole forum for the determination of need for the proposed Hardee lateral. In making its determination, the Commission must take into account the need for electric system reliability and integrity, the need for natural gas delivery reliability, safety, and integrity, the need for abundant, clean-burning natural gas at a reasonable cost, and other matters within its jurisdiction that it deems relevant.

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The Commission determined that there is a need for the Sunshine mainline pipeline in Docket No. 920807-GP, Order No. PSC-93-0987-FOF-GP, issued July 2, 1993. Only issues relating to the need for the proposed Hardee lateral will be heard at the May 27, 1994 hearing. Separate public hearings will be held before the Division of Administrative Hearings and the Governor and Cabinet sitting as the Natural Gas Transmission Pipeline Siting Board to consider other matters required to be determined under the Natural Gas Transmission Pipeline Siting Act, Sections 403.9401-403.9425, Florida Statutes.

Members of the public who are not parties to the need determination proceeding will have an opportunity to present testimony regarding the need for the proposed Hardee lateral. All witnesses will be sworn and will be subject to cross-examination at the conclusion of their testimony.

Written comments regarding the need for the Hardee lateral may be sent to the Commission at the following address:

Director, Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
101 East Gaines Street
Room 111 - Fletcher Building
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

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Anyone wishing to become a party to the need determination proceeding should file an appropriate petition pursuant to Rule 25-22.039, Florida Administrative Code, with the Director of the Commission's Division of Records and Reporting at the address listed above. Copies of the petition should be sent by mail to all parties. Those wishing to intervene in these proceedings, unless appearing on their own behalf, must be represented by an attorney or other person who can be determined to be a qualified representative pursuant to Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-22.008, Florida Administrative Code. Petitions for leave to intervene must be filed at least five (5) days before the final hearing, must conform with Commission Rule 25-22.036(7)(a), and must include allegations sufficient to demonstrate that the intervenor is entitled to participate in the proceeding as a matter of constitutional or statutory right or pursuant to Commission rule, or that the substantial interests of the intervenor are subject to determination or will be affected through the hearing.

Any person requiring some accommodation at this need determination hearing because of a physical impairment should call the Division of Records and Reporting at (904) 488-8371 at least five calendar days prior to the need determination hearing. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Public Service Commission using the Florida Relay Service, which can be reached at 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

PREHEARING CONFERENCE

A prehearing conference will be held at the following time and place:

1:30 p.m., Monday, May 16, 1994
101 East Gaines Street
Room 106 - Fletcher Building
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The purpose of this prehearing conference will be to consider: (1) the simplification of the issues; (2) the identification of the positions of the parties on the issues; (3) the possibility of obtaining admissions of fact and of documents which will avoid unnecessary proof; (4) the identification of exhibits; (5) the establishment of an order of witnesses; and (6) such other matters as may aid in the disposition of the action.

JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction over this determination of need is vested in the Commission by Chapter 368 and Sections 403.9422, Florida Statutes. This proceeding will be governed by the provisions of Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, as well as Chapters 25-6 and 25-22, Florida Administrative Code.

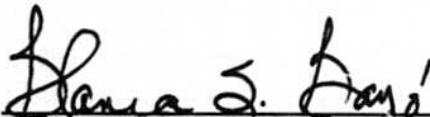
APPLICATION

A copy of the Petition For A Determination of Need and supporting exhibits is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the following location:

Florida Public Service Commission
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101 East Gaines Street
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By DIRECTION of the Florida Public Service Commission this
1st day of April, 1994.



BLANCA S. BAYO, Director
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