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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

ACHP	Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
AMSL	above mean sea level
ANR	ANR Pipeline Company
APE	area of potential effect
AQCRs	Air Quality Control Regions
BA	Biological Assessment
BACT	best available control technology
Bcf/d	billion cubic feet per day
BMSL	below mean sea level
BOD	biochemical oxygen demand
BTU	British thermal units
CAA	Clean Air Act
CEGT	CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company
CEQ	Council on Environmental Quality
Certificate	Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CO	carbon monoxide
COE	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Columbia Gulf	Columbia Gulf Transmission Company
Contaminated Media Plan	Plan for the Unanticipated Discovery of Contaminated Environmental Media
CRP	Conservation Reserve Program
CWA	Clean Water Act
dBA	decibels on the A-weighted scale
DOT	U.S. Department of Transportation
Duke	Duke Energy Gas Transmission
ECMR Program	Environmental Compliance Monitoring and Reporting Program
EFH	essential fish habitat
EI	Environmental Inspector
EIA	U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
Enbridge	Enbridge Energy Partners, LP
Entergy	Entergy Louisiana, Inc.

ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS (CONTINUED)

Enterprise	Enterprise Products Partners
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
ESA	Endangered Species Act
ESD	emergency shut down
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration
FERC or Commission	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FR	Federal Register
FWS	U. S. Fish And Wildlife Service
GIS	Geographic Information System
Gulf South or Applicant	Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP
HAP	hazardous air pollutant
HCA	high consequence area
HDD	horizontal directional drill
HDD Contingency Plan	Plan for Containment of Inadvertent Release of Drilling Mud during Horizontal Directional Drilled Wetland and Waterbody Crossings
HDD Noise Plan	Comprehensive Plan for HDD Operations That Could Exceed 55 dBA
hp	horsepower
ka	kilo annum
kPa	kilopascals
LAC	Louisiana Administrative Code
L_d	daytime sound level
LDEQ	Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality
L_{dn}	day-night sound level
LDOT	Louisiana Department of Transportation
LDWF	Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
LDWF	Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
$L_{eq(24)}$	24-hour equivalent sound level
L_n	nighttime sound level
LNG	liquefied natural gas
M/R station	meter/regulator station
m^3	cubic meter

ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS (CONTINUED)

Ma	mega annum
MACT	maximum achievable control technology
MAOP	maximum allowable operating pressure
MDEQ	Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality
MDOT	Mississippi Department of Transportation
MDWFP	Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks
mgd	million gallons per day
Mississippi SHPO	Mississippi Department of Archives and History
MLRA	Major Land Resource Areas
MLV	mainline valve
MP	milepost
MW	megawatt
NAAQS	National Ambient Air Quality Standards
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act of 1969
NGA	Natural Gas Act
NGPSA	Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Act
NHPA	National Historic Preservation Act
NNSR	Non-attainment New Source Review
NO_2	nitrogen dioxide
NOI	*Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement, Request for Comments on Environmental Issues*
NO_x	nitrogen oxides
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
NPS	National Park Service
NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service
NRHP	National Register of Historic Places
NRI	Nationwide Rivers Inventory
NSA	noise-sensitive area
NSPS	New Source Performance Standards
NSR	New Source Review
NWI	National Wetlands Inventory
O_3	ozone
OEP	FERC Office of Energy Projects

ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS (CONTINUED)

^{o}F	degrees Farenheit
OPS	Office of Pipeline Safety
PEM	palustrine emergent
PFO	palustrine forested
PHMSA	Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration
Plan	FERC's Upland Erosion Control, Revegetation, and Maintenance Plan
PM_{10}	particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of 10 microns or less
$PM_{2.5}$	particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of 2.5 microns or less
Procedures	FERC's Wetland and Waterbody Construction and Mitigation Procedures
Project	East Texas to Mississippi Expansion Project
PSD	Prevention of Significant Deterioration
psig	pounds per square in gauge
PSS	palustrine scrub-shrub
RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
RCW	red-cockaded woodpecker
Regency	Regency Intrastate Gas, LLC
Secretary	Secretary of the Commission
SESH	Southeast Supply Header Project
SHPO	State Historic Preservation Office
SO_2	sulfur dioxide
SPCC	Spill Prevention, Containment, and Countermeasure (Plan)
SWPPP	Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan
TAC	Texas Administrative Code
TCEQ	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
Tcf	trillion cubic feet
Texas Eastern	Texas Eastern Transmission, LLC
Texas Gas	Texas Gas Transmission, LLC
TIMED	Transportation Infrastructure Model for Economic Development
TPWD	Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
tpy	tons per year

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TTC	Trans-Texas Corridor
TxDOT	Texas Department of Transportation
USC	United States Code
USDA	U.S. Department of Agriculture
USGS	U.S. Geological Survey
VOCs	volatile organic compounds
WMA	Wildlife Management Area
WRP	Wetland Reserve Program
µg	Microgram