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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Rockies Express Pipeline LLC

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Docket No. CP07-208-000

**MOTION TO INTERVENE AND COMMENTS
OF PANHANDLE EASTERN PIPE LINE COMPANY, LP**

Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company, LP ("Panhandle"), pursuant to the provisions of Section 15(a) of the Natural Gas Act ("NGA") and Rule 214 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's ("Commission") Rules of Practice and Procedure, hereby moves to intervene in the above-captioned matter. In support of this motion, Panhandle states as follows:

I.

Panhandle requests that all Commission orders and correspondence as well as pleadings and correspondence from other parties concerning this proceeding be served on each of the following:

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¹ Designated to receive service pursuant to Rule 210 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. § 385.2010(2007). Also, Panhandle respectfully requests that the Commission waive Rule 203(b)(3), 18 C.F.R. § 385.203(b)(3), in order to allow Panhandle to include three representatives on the official service list for this proceeding.

II.

The exact legal name of Panhandle is Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company, LP. Panhandle is a limited partnership organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, having its principal office at 5444 Westheimer Road, Houston, Texas 77056-5306.

Panhandle is a "natural gas company" as defined in the NGA, whose primary business function is the transmission and storage of natural gas in interstate commerce, subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission. Panhandle's transmission system extends from sources of supply in the states of Texas, Kansas and Oklahoma through Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio to its northern termini in Michigan and at the International Boundary between the United States and Canada. In connection with the operation of its pipeline system, Panhandle owns and operates facilities appurtenant thereto and is engaged in the transportation and storage of natural gas on an open access basis pursuant to Section 311 of the Natural Gas Policy Act and blanket certificate authority under Subpart G of Part 284 of the Commission's Regulations under Rate Schedules authorized under its F.E.R.C. Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, and under Rate Schedules which are authorized under its F.E.R.C. Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 2.

III.

On April 30, 2007, Rockies Express Pipeline LLC ("Rockies Express") filed an application in Docket No. CP07-208-000, pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations requesting a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct approximately 638 miles of 42-inch pipeline and related pipeline facilities, referred to as the REX-East Project, to extend Rockies Express' certificated system eastward from its terminus in Audrain County, Missouri to Monroe County, Ohio and to increase the transportation capacity of its system from 1,500,000 Dth per day to 1,800,000 Dth per day of natural gas. Rockies Express is requesting an in-service date no later than December 30, 2008. Compression facility construction will continue after the in-service date to June 30, 2009, to increase the total mainline compression to approximately 236,000 horsepower at seven new compressor stations in Carbon County, Wyoming; Phelps County, Nebraska; Audrain County, Missouri; Christian County, Illinois; Putnam County, Indiana; Butler County, Ohio; and Muskingum County, Ohio. Rockies Express proposes to install an interconnection with Panhandle, including measurement facilities, with appurtenances, at approximately Milepost 274.4, which is in Putnam County, Indiana.

IV.

When construction has been completed, Panhandle will be an interconnecting pipeline with the REX-West Project in Audrain County, Missouri, with a second interconnection by way of the REX-East Project at Putnam County, Indiana. Panhandle currently has four existing pipelines in the area of the proposed construction, that were constructed in the 1930's to the 1960's and range in diameter from 22-inch to 30-inch. The REX-East Project mainline is proposed to run adjacent to Panhandle's interstate mainline system for an estimated 200 mile section of the REX-East Project, with the potential for Rockies Express being granted access to Panhandle's existing Right-of-Way for the purposes of project related workspace. Panhandle has a concern regarding the REX-East Project construction being in such close proximity to the existing Panhandle pipelines, as previously expressed in comments submitted in Docket No. PF06-30-000 on September 29, 2006.

Panhandle has a substantial interest in the aforementioned proceedings, and is an interested party within the meaning of Section 15(a) of the Natural Gas Act, and its intervention and participation is in the public interest. 18 C.F.R. § 385.214 (2007).

V.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Panhandle respectfully requests that it be permitted to intervene in this proceeding and that it be granted all rights of a party thereto, including the right to notice of, and to participate in, all hearings and other related proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

PANHANDLE EASTERN PIPE LINE COMPANY, LP

By /s/ William W. Grygar

William W. Grygar
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Dated: May 18, 2007

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

Dated at Houston, Texas this 18th day of May 2007.

/s/ William W. Grygar

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