



Public Service Commission of West Virginia

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PSC Issues Siting Certificate for Moundsville Power

The Public Service Commission of West Virginia issued an Order today granted a Siting Certificate to Moundsville Power LLC for the construction and operation of a natural gas-fired wholesale electric generating facility of approximately 549 MW to be located three miles south of Moundsville in Marshall County. Once operational, the facility will generate enough electricity to power some 325,000 homes and will be used to generate electricity for sale in the competitive wholesale market in West Virginia and other locations. The Order also approved an approximately 500 foot 138 kV transmission line, interconnection facilities and other necessary appurtenances. The project will not have an impact on West Virginia ratepayers.

The plant location, a Superfund Site that formerly held a chemical manufacturing facility, is close to several natural gas production and processing facilities and transmission pipelines. According to the company's application, the facility will receive blended fuel of 25 percent ethane and 75 percent natural gas.

The project, which had wide public support, will cost approximately \$615 million and is expected to be constructed and operational by August 2018. The company estimated that the total economic impact for West Virginia will be more than \$800 million during construction and more than \$280 million annually during operation. The company asserted that a trained and qualified local labor pool is available that has the requisite skills to construct the project. It will contract with an engineering, procurement and construction contractor to build the project, and will retain an experienced maintenance firm to operate, manage and maintain the facility.

More information may be obtained from the Commission's website: www.psc.state.wv.us by referencing Case No. 14-1221-E-CS.

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