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PSC Approves Siting Permit for Wild Basin Gas Plant

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Public Service Commission (PSC) today approved a siting permit for the Wild Basin Gas Plant in McKenzie County.

Oasis Midstream Services LLC applied for a permit to expand the capacity of its existing Wild Basin Gas Plant and Crude Handling Facility that is currently capable of processing 80 million standard cubic feet per day of gas and stabilizing up to 60,000 barrels of crude oil per day. Oasis plans to increase the capacity of the plant to process 280 million standard cubic feet per day of gas, stabilize up to 80,000 barrels of crude oil per day and add an additional 150,000 barrel crude oil storage tank to accommodate additional oil gathering.

“This gas is a by-product of the oil industry. It will either be wasted by flaring it into the atmosphere or it will be processed into a usable, value-added product,” said Commission Chairman Randy Christmann. “This processing plant is one of the biggest steps ever taken in North Dakota to decrease flaring and increase revenues for mineral owners, producers and taxing authorities.”

The plant uses Mechanical Refrigeration Units to liquefy natural gas for storage and truck offload capabilities. The modular refrigeration units will also be increased by 65 million standard cubic feet per day. Estimated cost of the entire expansion project is \$150 million.

“Value-added energy projects like this are important in terms of driving our economy and supporting job growth,” said Commissioner Brian Kroshus. “At the same time, it’s important to ensure that proper rules and procedures are being followed during the siting process and that all requirements are met. While this is considered an expansion project, it’s worth noting that the initial plant was recently constructed. Due to that, it would be prudent to not only review the expansion portion of the project, but the proposed plant as a whole.”

The project is located approximately 6 miles northeast of Watford City. The plant processes well-head associated natural gas from oil production wells connected to Oasis’s gathering system in the Wild Basin area. Natural gas liquids are stored and delivered to outside facilities. Residue gas is delivered to a pipeline owned and operated by the Northern Border Pipeline Company.

The North Dakota Public Service Commission is a constitutionally created state agency with authority to permit, site and regulate certain business activities in the state including electric and gas utilities, telecommunications companies, power plants, electric transmission lines, pipelines, railroads, grain elevators, auctioneers, commercial weighing devices, pipeline safety and coal mine reclamation. For more information, contact the Public Service Commission at (701) 328-2400 or www.psc.nd.gov.

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