PUBLIC NOTICE
For
Air Quality Operating Permit
for Blanco Compressor Station A of El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.

El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C. at 5151 East Broadway Suite 1680; Tucson, AZ 85711 has submitted an air quality operating permit application to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) for an air quality operating permit for its Blanco Compressor Station A. The owner of this plant is El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C. The exact location of the facility is at latitude 36 deg, 43 min, 42 sec and longitude -107 deg, 57 min, 21 sec. To aid in locating this facility, the approximate location is 1.5 km NE of Bloomfield in San Juan County, NM. This application file has been assigned an Operating Permit Number P048-R3 and TEMPO Agency Interest ID No. 1147.

Previously, the facility received an air quality construction permit and is in operation. The main purpose of the facility is to compresses natural gas for the purpose of transportation to another facility or a major transportation pipeline.

This operating permit application is for a permit renewal. Per 20.2.70.401.C.(4) NMAC, this permitting action involves the five year renewal and incorporate changes authorized by NSR Permit 0613-M9, adding a combined 10 tpy VOC SSM/M1 limit for existing Startup, Shutdown and Maintenance emissions and upset/malfunction emissions.

The emissions, as established in NSR Permit 0613-M9, and brought forward into this permit are as follows. Parentheses note changes in emissions from previous operating permit – P048-R2M2. Emissions are expressed in tons per year (tpy). Nitrogen Oxides (NOx) at 1344.0 tpy (-4.6); Carbon Monoxide (CO) at 173.6 tpy (no change); Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) at 64.6 tpy (+10); Sulfur Dioxide (SO2) at 0.3 tpy (no change); Particulate Matter 10 microns or less (PM10) at 28.1 tpy (newly added), and Particulate Matter 2.5 microns or less (PM2.5) at 28.1 tpy (newly added). The facility is a minor, < 100,000 tpy CO2, source of greenhouse gas emissions.

The NMED has conducted a preliminary review of the information submitted with the permit application. This review included evaluation of the emission rates and applicable requirements to determine compliance.

The NMED has made a preliminary determination that this facility will comply with the requirements of Title 20, New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC), Chapter 2, Parts 7, 61, 72, 73, 74, 75 and 78; 40 CFR 50; 40 CFR 63 Subparts A, DDDDD, YYYY; and the New Mexico Air Quality Control Act. Therefore, the preliminary intent of NMED is to issue the air quality operating permit on or before February 25, 2015.

Interested persons may obtain the draft operating permit, submit written comments, or request a public hearing on Operating Permit Number P048-R3 by contacting Joseph Kimbrell at the New Mexico Environment Department, Air Quality Bureau, 525 Camino de los Marquez Suite 1, Santa Fe, NM 87505-1816.

Written requests for public hearing must state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. Comments must be based on the requirements of the applicable state and federal air quality regulations and the Clean Air Act. Comments or hearing requests must be received within 30 days after the public notice is published.

The permit application, draft permit and relevant supporting materials are currently available for review at the Air Quality Bureau, 525 Camino de los Marquez Suite 1, Santa Fe, NM 87505-1816. The Department contact in Santa Fe is Joseph Kimbrell at 505-476-4347.