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A monthly review of the construction, sales, acquisitions, and regulatory status of the major U.S. Pipeline infrastructure.

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# US Pipeline Activity Report

## Seeking Regulatory Approval

### Sale Pending On 3 Former VeraSun Ethanol Plants

Project State

Last Updated 5/26/2009 Status: Seeking Regulatory Approval Est Cost. \$324,000,000

Michigan

Nebraska

Est. Start Date 02/2009 Est. Finish Date 06/2009 Contact Heather Leiferman Phone 507-529-2087

Contact Rachel Ethorf Phone 312-432-6570

Agstar Financial Services has announced that the 40 million gallon ethanol plant in Woodbury, Michigan will be sold to Carbon Green Bioenergy of Chicago. The purchase agreement was signed and the sale is expected to close in the next 30 days.

Likewise, Green Plains Renewable Energy has also signed a sales agreement to purchase ethanol facilities in Central City and Ord Nebraska. The Central City facility can produce 100 million gallons of ethanol per year and the Ord facility can produce 50 million gallons of ethanol per year. The company plans to start production in the next 30 to 60 days and the sale is expected to close in June.

A group of lenders led by AgStar Financial Services submitted a credit bid of 324 million dollars for 6 VeraSun plants in March of 2009. The plants were part of BioEnergy Corporation, a corn-based ethanol producer that had recently merged with VeraSun in 2007. AgStar Financial Services will acquire facilities in Central City, Nebraska; Ord, Nebraska; Dyersville, Iowa; Hankinson, North Dakota; Janesville, Minnesota; and Woodbury, Michigan.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
AG Star Financial Services ACA	Mankato	Minnesota	USA	502-387-4174	www.agstar.com
Carbon Green Bioenergy	Chicago	Illinois	USA	312-432-6570	www.carbongreenllc.com
Green Plains Renewable Energy	Omaha	Nebraska	USA	402-884-8700	www.gpreinc.com
VeraSun Energy	Brookings	South Dakota	USA	605-696-7200	www.verasun.com

### Sunoco Places Bid For Northeast Biofuels Ethanol Plant

Project State

Last Updated 5/20/2009 Status: Seeking Regulatory Approval Est Cost. \$8,500,000

New York

Est. Start Date Est. Finish Date 05/2009 Contact Ben Goren Phone 312-252-9361

Months after Northeast Biofuels LP, NEB Holdings, LP and NEB GP Incorporated, filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, Northeast Biofuels LP decided to auction off its 200 million dollar ethanol plant in Volney, New York in March of 2009. Bidding began on April 1st and final bids were due by April 21st. Sunoco Inc. recently placed an offer of 8.5 million dollars for the plant. The cost of rebuilding the plant is estimated to be 10 million dollars. If the sale is approved on June 15th, Volney could see the plant back in operation by the end of the year.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
Permolex International	Fulton	New York	USA	315-598-0800	www.permolex.com
Sunoco Inc.	Philadelphia	Pennsylvania	USA	215-977-3000	www.sunocoinc.com



# US Pipeline Activity Report

## Transco Seeks Regulatory Approval For Delta Lateral Project

Project State

Last Updated 5/15/2009 Status: Seeking Regulatory Approval Est Cost. Pennsylvania

Est. Start Date Est. Finish Date Contact Bill Hammons Phone 713-215-2130

Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC is seeking regulatory approval to construct the Delta Lateral Project in York County, Pennsylvania. The 3.42 mile, 16 inch lateral will extend from Transco's mainline station 195 to the Delta power plant in Peach Bottom Township, Pennsylvania. The lateral will provide 208,800 dekatherms per day of natural gas transportation.

FERC Docket: CP09-237

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
The Williams Companies Inc.	Tulsa	Oklahoma	USA	918-573-2000	www.williams.com

## Nicor Seeking Regulatory Approval For Natural Gas Storage Facility

Project State

Last Updated 5/14/2009 Status: Seeking Regulatory Approval Est Cost. \$0 California

Est. Start Date Est. Finish Date 04/2011 Contact John Fortman Phone 630-245-7845

Nicor Inc.'s subsidiary, Central Valley Gas Storage, is seeking regulatory approval to construct a natural gas storage facility in Colusa, California. The facility will be connected to a Pacific Gas and Electric compression station via a 14 mile, 24 inch diameter pipeline. The facility is scheduled to begin injections of gas in 2010 and begin service by 2011.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
Nicor Inc.	Naperville	Illinois	USA	630-305-9500	www.nicorinc.com

## Proposed

## Transco Proposes Bayonne Delivery Lateral Project

Project State

Last Updated 5/26/2009 Status: Proposed Est Cost. \$0 New Jersey

Est. Start Date Est. Finish Date Contact Bill Hammons Phone 713-215-2130

Transcontinental Gas Pipeline Company LLC has proposed to deliver natural gas to the Bayonne Energy Center in Hudson County, New Jersey. The Bayonne Delivery Lateral Project will involve the construction of a 20 inch, .83 mile natural gas pipeline from the existing Transco 30 inch Mainline A pipeline in Essex County, New Jersey to a tie in along the inactive petroleum pipeline currently owned by Hess Corporation. Transco plans to purchase a 5.45 mile segment of the Hess Pipeline that extends to the proposed Bayonne Energy facility. The pipeline segment will be converted to natural gas use.

FERC Docket: CP09-417

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
Hess Corporation	New York	New York	USA	212-997-8500	www.hess.com
The Williams Companies Inc.	Tulsa	Oklahoma	USA	918-573-2000	www.williams.com



# US Pipeline Activity Report

## Pacific Ethanol Subsidiaries File For Chapter 11

**Project State**

**Last Updated** 5/18/2009 **Status:** Proposed

**Est Cost.** \$10,000,000

California

Oregon

Idaho

**Est. Start Date**

**Est. Finish Date** 05/2009

**Contact** Tim Raphael

**Phone** 503-490-1060

Pacific Ethanol, Inc. announced that its subsidiaries Pacific Ethanol Holding Company, Pacific Ethanol Madera, Pacific Ethanol Columbia, Pacific Ethanol Stockton and Pacific Ethanol Magic Valley have filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. However, Kinergy Marketing LLC and Pacific Ag. Products LLC (PAP), also Pacific Ethanol subsidiaries, have not filed for bankruptcy protection. Pacific Ethanol is expected to manage the failed subsidiaries under an asset agreement with Kinergy and PAP. Wachovia will provide 10 million dollars for Kinergy's capital needs through October 2010.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
Pacific Ethanol Inc.	Sacramento	California	USA	916-403-2123	www.pacificethanol.net

## Maritimes and Northeast Pipeline Seeks Regulatory Approval For Phase V

**Project State**

**Last Updated** 5/18/2009 **Status:** Proposed

**Est Cost.** \$240,000,000

Maine

New Hampshire

Massachusetts

**Est. Start Date**

**Est. Finish Date** 11/2010

**Contact** Roy Taylor

**Phone** 207-622-0073

The Phase V Project proposes to increase the capacity of the approximately 330 mile U.S. portion of the Maritimes system via additional compression and a short length of pipeline loop within an existing corridor. Maritimes expects to place the approximately 240 million project into service by November of 2010.

The Maritimes and Northeast Pipeline carries LNG sourced natural gas from Atlantic Canada to North American markets via 340 miles of pipeline located in the United States and 330 miles located in Canada. The pipeline capacity is 800 million cubic feet per day in the United States and 600 million cubic feet per day in Canada.

FERC Docket: CP96-810

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
Emera Inc.	Halifax	Nova Scotia	USA	888-450-0507	www.emera.com
Spectra Energy Corp	Houston	Texas	USA	713-627-5400	www.spectraenergy.com



# US Pipeline Activity Report

## Chenier Proposes Southern Trail Pipeline

Project State

Last Updated 5/15/2009 Status: Proposed

Est Cost. \$0

Louisiana

Florida

Est. Start Date

Est. Finish Date 06/2010

Contact Diane Haggard

Phone 713-375-5259

Cheniere Pipeline proposes the Southern Trail Pipeline. The 348 mile, 42 inch pipeline will begin at Acadia Parish, Louisiana and interconnect with Florida Gas Transmission pipeline in Santa Rosa County, Florida. The in service date is scheduled for mid 2010.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
Cheniere Energy Inc.	Houston	Texas	USA	713-375-5000	www.cheniere.com

## Williston Basin Interstate Proposes Bakken Pipeline Project

Project State

Last Updated 5/15/2009 Status: Proposed

Est Cost. \$97,371

North Dakota

Est. Start Date

Est. Finish Date 10/2010

Contact Mark Baerlocher

Phone 701-530-1557

Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company proposes the Bakken Pipeline in northwestern North Dakota. The 107 mile, 16 inch line will originate in Mountrail County and will run northeasterly to interconnect with Alliance Pipeline in Bottineau County. The maximum capacity will be 200 million cubic feet per day.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
MDU Resources Group Inc.	Bismark	North Dakota	USA	701-222-7900	www.mdu.com

## LyondellBasell To Close Chocolate Bayou Plant

Project State

Last Updated 5/14/2009 Status: Proposed

Est Cost.

Texas

Est. Start Date 03/2009

Est. Finish Date 07/2009

Contact David Roznowski

Phone 713-321-5063

LyondellBasell Industries announced that it will permanently close its Chocolate Bayou plant by July 31, 2009. The plant had a capacity of 480 million pounds of high density polyethylene. It will be shutting down due to a declining demand for the product.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
LyondellBasell	AM	Rotterdam	Netherlands	31-10-275-5500	www.lyondellbasell.com



# US Pipeline Activity Report

## NGS Energy To Acquire El Paso Corporation Pinal County Assets

Project State

Last Updated 5/14/2009 Status: Proposed Est Cost. \$0 Arizona

Est. Start Date Est. Finish Date 01/2012 Contact Patrice Thurston Phone 203-557-1000

El Paso Corporation signed an agreement to sell its Pinal County, Arizona natural gas storage asset in the Picacho Basin to NGS Energy LP. The purchase will include a 9 mile system that connects to Transwestern Pipeline and El Paso natural gas pipeline.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
NGS Energy LP	Westport	Connecticut	USA	203-557-1000	www.ngsenergy.com

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## TransCanada Proposes Guadalajara Pipeline

Last Updated 5/7/2009 Status: Proposed Est Cost. \$320,000,000

Est. Start Date Est. Finish Date 03/2011 Contact Cecily Dobson Phone 1-800-608-7859

TransCanada Corporation announced its contract to build, own and operate a 320 million dollar pipeline in Guadalajara, Mexico. The project is supported by Comisión Federal de Electricidad, Mexico's state owned electric company. The proposed 193 mile Guadalajara pipeline will connect to an LNG terminal that is currently under construction near Manzanillo and an existing PEMEX natural gas line near Guadalajara. The pipeline will transport 500 million cubic feet a day of natural gas through a 30 inch diameter pipeline.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
Comisión Federal de Electricidad	Cuauhtemoc		Mexico		
TransCanada Corp.	Calgary	Alberta	Canada	800-661-3805	www.transcanada.com

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## Enbridge To Expand Tank Farm Capacity

Project State

Last Updated 5/5/2009 Status: Proposed Est Cost. \$600,000,000 Alberta

Est. Start Date 05/2009 Est. Finish Date Contact Terri Larson Phone 713-353-6317

Enbridge plans to expand its tank farm in northeastern Alberta via the construction of 19 storage tanks. The estimated 600 million dollars project will expand the Hardisty Contract Storage facility to hold 12.5 million barrels. Hardisty is located along the Enbridge Trunk Pipeline system which connects Edmonton to eastern Canada and the United States.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
Enbridge Inc.	Calgary	Alberta	Canada	403-231-3900	www.enbridge.com

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# US Pipeline Activity Report

## Williams Announces NGL Pipeline

Project State

Last Updated 5/1/2009 Status: Proposed

Est Cost. \$283,000,000

Alberta

Est. Start Date 01/2010

Est. Finish Date 04/2012

Contact Chris Stockton

Phone 713-215-2010

Williams plans to construct a pipeline in Alberta, Canada to transport natural gas liquids and olefins from its extraction plant in Fort McMurray to its Redwater processing facility. The new 12 inch pipeline will cost 283 million dollars and construction will begin in 2010. The initial capacity will be 43,000 barrels per day of off gas liquids with a maximum capacity of 125,000 barrels per day with the installation of additional pump stations.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
The Williams Companies Inc.	Tulsa	Oklahoma	USA	918-573-2000	www.williams.com

## Project Completed

## The Big River Resources Ethanol Plant Is Complete

Project State

Last Updated 5/20/2009 Status: Project Completed

Est Cost. \$172,000,000

Illinois

Est. Start Date 11/2007

Est. Finish Date 05/2009

A representative from Big River Resources announced that the ethanol facility in Galva, Illinois had its first day of production on May 19, 2009. The 172 million dollar plant is expected to produce approximately 100 million gallons of ethanol annually.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
Big River Resources, LLC	West Burlington	Iowa	USA	800-463-9850	www.bigriverresources.com



# US Pipeline Activity Report

## Valero Closes Sale On 7 VeraSun Assets

Project State

Last Updated 5/12/2009 Status: Project Completed

Est Cost. \$477,000,000

South Dakota

Iowa

Minnesota

Nebraska

Indiana

Est. Start Date 02/2009

Est. Finish Date 05/2009

Contact Mike Lockrem

Phone 605-696-7200

Valero Energy Corporation successfully bid 477 million dollars for seven VeraSun ethanol plants and one development site in March of 2008. The sale on all seven plants and one development site have now closed. The sale includes plants in Aurora, South Dakota; Charles City, Fort Dodge, and Hartley, Iowa; Welcome, Minnesota; and a development site in Reynolds, Indiana. VeraSun also has agreed to sell Valero separate ethanol production facilities in Albert City, Iowa, for 72 million dollars and Albion, Nebraska, for 55 million dollars. Valero will group the plants under the subsidiary name Valero Renewable Fuels.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
Valero Energy Corporation	San Antonio	Texas	USA	210-345-2000	www.valero.com

## MarkWest And NGP Midstream Complete Natural Gas Plant

Project State

Last Updated 5/12/2009 Status: Project Completed

Est Cost. \$300,000,000

Texas

Est. Start Date 01/2009

Est. Finish Date 05/2009

Contact Jeff Ball

Phone 713-579-5008

A joint venture between MarkWest Energy Partners LP and NGP Midstream and Resources LP has announced the completion of a natural gas plant in Washington County. Under the terms of the joint venture, 60 percent of the facility will be owned by MarkWest and 40 percent by Midstream and Resources LP. Both companies will invest 300 million dollars by the end of 2011. MarkWest will operate the facility. The plant will process 30 million cubic feet of natural gas daily from the Marcellus Shale in southwest Pennsylvania and northern West Virginia.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
MarkWest Energy Partners L.P.	Englewood	Colorado	USA	303-290-8700	www.markwest.com
NGP Midstream and Resources LP	Houston	Texas	USA	713-579-5000	www.ngpnr.com



# US Pipeline Activity Report

## DCP Midstream Initiates Service On New Pipeline Extension In East Texas Project State

**Last Updated** 5/7/2009    **Status:** Project Completed    **Est Cost.** \$0    Texas  
**Est. Start Date** 08/2008    **Est. Finish Date** 05/2009    **Contact** Karen Taylor    **Phone** 303-633-2900

DCP Midstream Partners LP and DCP Midstream LLC has initiated service on a new gas gathering pipeline in southern Panola County, Texas. The 56 million dollar project is designed to carry 175 million cubic feet per day to the East Texas complex. The 30 mile, 20 inch pipeline will have access to the Minden Field in Rusk County and the surrounding Haynesville Shale area.

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## Louis Dreyfus Commodities Begins Production At Grand Junction Ethanol Plant Project State

**Last Updated** 5/6/2009    **Status:** Project Completed    **Est Cost.** \$0    Iowa  
**Est. Start Date** 07/2007    **Est. Finish Date** 05/2009

Louis Dreyfus Commodities began productions at its ethanol plant near Grand Junction, Iowa. The plant will produce 100 million gallons of ethanol annually.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
Louis Dreyfus SAS	Paris		France	33-1-40-66-11-11	www.louisdreyfus.com

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## Homeland Energy Solutions Begins Production At New Hampton Plant Project State

**Last Updated** 5/4/2009    **Status:** Project Completed    **Est Cost.** \$0    Iowa  
**Est. Start Date** 01/2007    **Est. Finish Date** 04/2009

Homeland Energy Solutions, LLC has completed construction on its New Hampton ethanol facility in Chickasaw County, Iowa. The plant is expected to produce approximately 100 million gallons of ethanol annually.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
Homeland Energy Solutions	Lawler	Iowa	USA	563-238-5555	www.homelandenergysolutions.com



# US Pipeline Activity Report

## Spectra Energy Partners Completes NOARK Pipeline System Acquisition

Project State

Last Updated 5/4/2009

Status: Project Completed

Est Cost. \$3,000,000

Oklahoma

Arkansas

Missouri

Est. Start Date 04/2009

Est. Finish Date 06/2009

Contact Brian Begley

Phone 215-546-5005

Spectra Energy Partners, LP completed its acquisition of the NOARK Pipeline System for 300 million dollars. The primary asset is a 565 mile FERC regulated natural gas transmission pipeline system that extends from Oklahoma and Arkansas into Missouri. The asset is located in the Fayetteville Shale and Arkoma Basins. The Ozark Gas Gathering, L.L.C., a 365 mile natural gas gathering system located in Oklahoma and Arkansas, will also be part of the transaction.

<u>Holding Company</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Web Site</u>
Spectra Energy Corp	Houston	Texas	USA	713-627-5400	www.spectraenergy.com