Electricity

Power Restored after Crane Barge Downs Power Lines in Louisiana June 7; Coast Guard Shuts Harvey Canal Due to Safety Concerns
Entergy Louisiana reported approximately 10,450 customers in the West Bank of New Orleans were briefly without power Wednesday night after a crane barge in the Harvey Canal became entangled in power lines. Entergy reported power was fully restored by Thursday morning, however, the U.S. Coast Guard shut the canal to all vessel traffic due to safety hazards while vessel and utility crews remove the crane barge and repair the downed lines.

Reuters, 13:03 June 8, 2017

Entergy’s 966 MW River Bend Nuclear Unit 1 in Louisiana Reduced to 85 Percent by June 8
On the morning of June 7 the unit was operating at 99 percent.

Minneapolis Power, Dairyland Power Cooperative Announce Plans to Build 525–550 MW Combined Cycle Natural Gas Facility in Wisconsin
Minneapolis Power and Dairyland Power Cooperative on Wednesday announced plans to build the 525–550 MW Nemadji Trail combined-cycle natural gas power plant in Superior, Wisconsin. The plant is scheduled to be in service by 2024, contingent on regulatory approvals. Minneapolis Power would purchase approximately 50 percent of the plant’s output starting in 2025 to serve customer load.


Idaho PUC Approves Settlement to Retire 522 MW North Valmy Coal Power Plant in Nevada by 2025
The Idaho Public Utilities Commission (PUC) on Monday approved a settlement to close Idaho Power and NV Energy’s jointly owned North Valmy Generating Station in Nevada by 2025. The settlement calls for shuttering Valmy’s Unit 1 in 2019, and Unit 2 in 2025. Unit 1 went into service in 1981 and Unit 2 came online in 1985.

Petroleum

HollyFrontier Reports Emissions at Its 85,000 b/d Tulsa, Oklahoma Refinery June 3, 4
HollyFrontier reported excess emission from the alkylation flare at the West plant of its Tulsa, Oklahoma refinery on June 3 and 4, according to an Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality filing made public on Thursday.
Reuters, 12:08 June 8, 2017
CVR Reports Emissions at Its 70,000 b/d Wynnewood, Oklahoma Refinery June 1, 5
CVR reported excess emissions at its Wynnewood, Oklahoma refinery on June 1 and 5, according to an Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality filing made public on Thursday.
Reuters, 12:00 June 8, 2017

Alon Reports Power Outage, Unit Upsets at Its 73,000 b/d Big Spring, Texas Refinery June 6
Alon USA Energy reported its Big Spring, Texas refinery experienced a temporary loss of power due to an electrical short at the main substation, according to a filing with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality filing. As a result, multiple units were temporarily upset, causing their streams to vent to their respective flares. Alon said emissions were routed to a control device until the units came back online.
Reuters, 18:07 June 7, 2017

Shell Reports Release at Its 285,500 b/d Deer Park, Texas Refinery June 7
Royal Dutch Shell reported an onsite release at its Deer Park, Texas refinery, according to a community alert. The company said it was taking necessary actions to minimize impact to environment and did not anticipate any impact to the surrounding community.
Reuters, 22:16 June 7, 2017

PBF Energy Reports Unplanned Flaring at Its 151,300 b/d Torrance, California Refinery June 8
PBF Energy reported unplanned flaring at its Torrance, California refinery, according to a filing with the South Coast Air Quality Management District.
Reuters, 3:03 June 8, 2017

Enbridge Outlines Mainline Pipeline System Expansion Plan in U.S., Canada
Enbridge Inc on Thursday outlined an expansion plan for its Mainline pipeline system that would provide additional capacity to compensate for the expected increase in western Canadian oil production over the next decade. The replacement of the Line 3 pipeline combined with upgrades and adjustments to other Mainline pipeline segments should be able to meet industry needs through to about 2028, according to the company’s executive vice president of liquids pipelines. The capacity increases would include 375,000 b/d once the full capacity of Line 3 is restored and about 500,000 b/d of capacity elsewhere on the mainline system that runs from Edmonton to Superior, Wisconsin. Enbridge’s growth plan is dependent on its Line 3 replacement project, which still requires regulatory approval in Minnesota.
Reuters, 13:31 June 8, 2017

Natural Gas

Nothing to report.

Other News

Nothing to report.

International News

Libya’s 270,000 b/d Sharara Oil Field Halted by Workers’ Protest June 7
Libya’s Sharara oil field was shut on Wednesday due to a protest by workers, according to sources. The shutdown is temporary and a force majeure is unlikely to be declared, an NOC official said. Before the halt, Libya’s oil output was at its highest since October 2014, when the country pumped 850,000 b/d.
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