

Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this application if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that permission and approval for the proposed abandonment are required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for MRT to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

*Acting Secretary.*

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**[Docket No. GT96-98-000]**

**NorAm Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Refund Report Filing**

August 20, 1996.

Take notice that on August 12, 1996, NorAm Gas Transmission Corporation (NorAm) filed a report pursuant to the Commission's October 13, 1995 order issued in Opinion No. 402 (72 FERC ¶ 61,073).

NorAm states that the 1995 Gas Research Institute Tier 1 refunds totaling \$225,937, were made to its firm transportation customers from July 29 to August 6, 1996.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888

First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with §§ 385.211 and 385.214 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests should be filed on or before August 27, 1996. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

*Acting Secretary.*

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**[Docket No. RP96-302-001]**

**Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Compliance Filing**

August 20, 1996.

Take notice that on August 15, 1996, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), tendered for filing to become part of Northern's FERC Gas Tariff, the following tariff sheets:

Fifth Revised Volume No. 1  
Second Revised Sheet No. 226  
First Revised Sheet No. 226A

**Reason for Filing**

On July 1, 1996 in Docket No. RP96-302-000, Northern filed tariff sheets to increase the positive and punitive daily delivery variance charge (DDVC) only on those limited days when a Critical Day is in effect on Northern's system, and to revise the receipt point scheduling penalties and provisions applicable to hourly takes of gas. On July 31, 1996, the Commission issued an Order Accepting and Suspending Tariff Sheets Subject to Refund and Conditions and Establishing Technical Conference (Order). In that Order the Commission directed Northern to refile tariff sheets to correct the pagination. This filing is to comply with the Commission's Order.

Northern states that copies of the filing were served upon the company's customers and interested State Commissions.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C., 20426, in accordance with § 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed as provided in § 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. All protests

will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken in this proceeding, but will not serve to make Protestant a party to the proceeding. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for inspection.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

*Acting Secretary.*

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**[Docket No. RP96-302-000]**

**Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Technical Conference**

August 21, 1996.

In the Commission's order issued July 31, 1996, the Commission held that the filing in the above captioned proceeding raises issues that should be addressed in a technical conference.

Take notice that the technical conference will be held on Wednesday, September 18, 1996, at 10:00 a.m., in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. All interested parties and staff are permitted to attend.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

*Acting Secretary.*

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**[Docket No. CP96-721-000]**

**Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company; Notice of Application**

August 21, 1996

Take notice that on August 16, 1996, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee), P.O. Box 2511, Houston, Texas 77252, filed in Docket No. CP96-721-000 an application pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for authorization to uprate by 1000 horsepower (hp) an existing compressor unit at Station 230-C, Lockport, New York, that will expand the capacity of the jointly-owned Niagara Spur Loop Line in order to permit National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (National Fuel) to provide an additional 21,344 Dth per day of annual firm transportation service (as set forth in National Fuel's application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity in Docket No. CP96-671-000), all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Tennessee states that it is filing this application as operator and co-owner of

the Niagara Spur Loop Line pursuant to the terms of a Construction and Ownership Agreement (C&O Agreement). It is stated that the C&O Agreement governs expansions of the Niagara Spur Loop Line and provides that Tennessee, as operator, will seek all regulatory approvals from the Commission to construct the facilities necessary for such expansions. Tennessee further states that National Fuel has notified Tennessee and the other co-owners of its intention to use its expansion rights on the Niagara Spur Loop Line under the C&O agreement to provide additional firm service and has requested Tennessee to uprate an existing compressor station so that National Fuel can transport additional quantities of gas on a firm basis over the Niagara Spur Loop Line from the Niagara Import Point to an interconnection with National's facilities at Clarence, New York.

It is stated that the total cost of the uprating is estimated to be \$51,620, and, in accordance with the C&O Agreement, all costs actually incurred in the preparation and prosecution of this application and the construction of the facilities will be paid by National Fuel to Tennessee as such costs are incurred. In addition, it is stated that National Fuel is required to make payments to the co-owners of the Niagara Spur Loop Line under the C&O Agreement to equalize the capital cost per Mcf-mile of all the co-owners. Tennessee states that these payments are intended to give all co-owners the benefit of the inexpensive expansibility of the Niagara Spur Loop Line that can be achieved through additional compression facilities. Tennessee contends that the amount of the cost equalization payments to all co-owners is currently estimated to be \$562,450.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before September 4, 1996, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held with further notice before the Commission or its designee on this application if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Tennessee to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.

*Acting Secretary.*

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#### [Docket No. TM97-1-29-000]

#### **Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Tariff Filing**

August 21, 1996.

Take notice that on August 15, 1996, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, Fifteenth Revised Sheet No. 60. Such tariff sheet is proposed to be effective October 1, 1996.

Transco states that the purpose of the filing is to reflect a decrease in the Annual Charge Adjustment (ACA) Charge in the commodity portion of Transco's transportation rates. Pursuant to Order No. 472, the Commission has assessed Transco its ACA unit rate of \$0.0020/Mcf (\$0.0019/dt on Transco's system) for the annual period commencing October 1, 1996.

Transco states that copies of the filing are being mailed to affected customers and interested State Commissions.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission

in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

*Acting Secretary.*

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#### [Docket No. CP96-706-000]

#### **Williams Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization**

August 21, 1996.

Take notice that on August 12, 1996, Williams Natural Gas Company (WNG), P.O. Box 3288, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 74101, filed in Docket No. CP96-706-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.212 and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.212 and 157.216) for authorization to replace and relocate the Western Resources, Inc. (WRI) South Topeka town border setting located in Shawnee County, Kansas, under WNG's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-479-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

WNG proposes to reclaim the South Topeka four run, 12-inch orifice meter and appurtenant facilities located in Section 10, Township 12 South, Range 16 East, Shawnee County, Kansas, and to relocate and install a new five run orifice meter and appurtenant facilities at the site of WNG's mainline gate in Section 7, Township 12 South, Range 17 East, Shawnee County, Kansas.

WNG states that the replacement of the town border facilities is not prohibited by its existing tariff and that WNG has sufficient capacity to accomplish deliveries without detriment or disadvantage to other customers. This proposal will not have an effect on WNG's peak day and annual deliveries and the total volumes delivered will not exceed total volumes authorized prior to this request.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section