

regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

D2. Agency Comments—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

D9. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—The application is ready for environmental analysis at this time, and the Commission is requesting comments, reply comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions.

The Commission directs, pursuant to section 4.34(b) of the regulations (see Order No. 533 issued May 8, 1991, 56 FR 23108, May 20, 1991) that all comments, recommendations, terms and conditions and prescriptions concerning the application be filed with the Commission within 60 days from the issuance date of this notice (November 5, 1996 for Project No. 11214-001). All reply comments must be filed with the Commission within 105 days from the date of this notice (December 20, 1996 for Project No. 11214-001).

Anyone may obtain an extension of time for these deadlines from the Commission only upon a showing of good cause or extraordinary circumstances in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2008.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "REPLY COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRESCRIPTIONS;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies required by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory

Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Project Review, Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. Each filing must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed on the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b), and 385.2010.

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Anyone may obtain an extension of time for these deadlines from the Commission only upon a showing of good cause or extraordinary circumstances in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2008.

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filing must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed on the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b), and 385.2010.

Dated: September 11, 1996, Washington, D.C.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP95-194-003, et al.]

Northern Border Pipeline Company, et al.; Natural Gas Certificate Filings

September 10, 1996.

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

1. Northern Border Pipeline Company

[Docket No. CP95-194-003]

Take notice that on September 4, 1996, Northern Border Pipeline Company (Northern Border), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, filed in Docket No. CP95-194-003, an amendment to its pending applications in Docket Nos. CP95-194-000 and CP95-194-001 for a certificate of public convenience and necessity, pursuant to Sections 7(b) and 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations. In this amendment, Northern Border seeks (1) to amend its filings to modify the proposed facilities; (2) to abandon certain compression facilities; and (3) to operate facilities at an early date and to continue the accrual of allowance for funds used during construction (AFUDC) on such facilities until the in-service date of the project, all as more fully set forth in the amendment which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, Northern Border seeks to: (1) abandon the existing 20,000 horsepower (HP) gas turbines at Compressor Station Nos. 6, 8, 9, 10, and 13; (2) install and operate 35,000 HP gas turbines at Compressor Station Nos. 6, 8, 9, 10, and 13; (3) install and operate a 35,000 HP gas turbine and cooling unit at Compressor Station Site No. 1; (4) install and operate a 6,500 HP electric drive compressor at Compressor Station Site No. 14; (5) install and operate a 12,000 HP electric drive compressor at Compressor Station Site No. 17; and (6) relocate the delivery point to ANR Pipeline Company. The projected in-service date for the project is November

1, 1998. The revised projected cost estimate is \$792.6 million.

Northern Border states that the reconfiguration of the compression on its 42-inch mainline allows for the elimination of the two 42-inch pipeline loops proposed in Docket No. CP95-194-001, reduces total emission of NO_x, and reduces the overall environmental impact of the project. Northern Border also states that the reconfiguration of the compression on the 42-inch mainline reduces the compressor fuel on the existing system be 7,500 Mcf per day, saving approximately \$5 million per year. Northern Border asserts that the proposed changes do not affect the cost comparison under the Commission's Policy Statement and do not otherwise affect the findings in the Commission's preliminary determination on non-environmental issues, issued August 1, 1996 (76 FERC ¶ 61,141 (1996)).

Northern Border intends to retrofit the existing 20,000 HP compressor units at Compressor Station Nos. 6, 8, 9, 10, and 13 to 35,000 HP compressor units. Northern Border intends to sequentially retrofit the various compressor units to avoid interruption of service to its existing customers. In order to maintain deliveries to firm shippers while the compressor units are being retrofitted, Northern Border will construct certain new compressor stations and operate them while the retrofitting is being completed.

Northern Border states that in order to facilitate safe construction of the 36-inch pipeline loop and to avoid

interruption of service to existing firm shippers, it requests authority to place the loop in operation approximately 45 days prior to the in-service date of the project. Northern Border states that during this period the existing 30-inch mainline will be temporarily removed from service while the mainline valve setting cross-overs and launcher/receiver tie-ins are completed.

In connection with the retrofitting of the compressor stations and the "tie-over" of the 30-inch pipeline, Northern Border requests a waiver of the accounting regulations such that it may continue the accrual of AFUDC until the in-service date of the project.

Comment date: October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph F at the end of this notice.

2. Northern Natural Gas Company

[Docket No. CP96-759-000]

Take notice that, on September 3, 1996, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern Natural), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124-1000, filed a request pursuant to its September 1, 1982 blanket certificate (in Docket No. CP82-401-000) and §§ 157.205 and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations, for authorization to install and operate three new master meters in Polk and LaCrosse Counties, Wisconsin, so as to provide central measurement points for Wisconsin Gas Company (WGC) on the Tomah and Ladysmith Branchlines, all as more fully set forth in the request, which is on file with the

Commission and open to public inspection.

Northern Natural estimates that the three new master meters will cost approximately \$596,000. Northern Natural proposes to locate the new master meters as follows:

Meter	Proposed location of delivery point
1. Tomah	NW/4 of Section 33, T17N, R6W LaCrosse County, Wisconsin.
2. Frederic	NE/4 of Section 26, T32N, R19W Polk County, Wisconsin.
3. Ladysmith	NE/4 of Section 26, T32N, R18W Polk County, Wisconsin.

Northern Natural states that WGC requested the new master meters in order to provide central measurement points on the Tomah and Ladysmith branchlines, for deliveries under Northern Natural's currently effective throughput service agreements. Northern Natural adds that the end-use of the volumes to be delivered to WGC at the proposed meters will be residential, commercial and/or industrial, and that the estimated peak-day and annual volumes to be delivered to WGC at the new meters (shown below) will not change and will continue to be made pursuant to Northern Natural's currently effective throughput service agreements with WGC.

Meter	Present (in MMBtu)		Proposed (in MMBtu)	
	Peak-day	Annual	Peak-day	Annual
Tomah	11,116	1,622,936	11,116	1,622,936
Frederic	18,643	2,721,878	18,643	2,721,878
Ladysmith	5,113	746,498	5,113	746,498

Northern Natural further states that the total volumes to be delivered to WGC after the request will not exceed the total volumes authorized prior to the request, that the proposed activity is not prohibited by its tariff, and that it has sufficient capacity to accommodate the changes proposed without detriment or disadvantage to its other customers.

Comment date: October 25, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph G at the end of this notice.

3. Williams Natural Gas Company

[Docket No. CP96-762-000]

Take notice that on September 4, 1996, Williams Natural Gas Company (WNG), P.O. Box 3288, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101, filed in Docket No. CP96-762-

000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.212(a), and 157.216(b) 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 Missouri Public Service (MPS) Sedalia town border setting, 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.

Specifically, WNG proposes to reclaim the Sedalia double run, 10-inch orifice meter setting and appurtenant facilities located in Section 34, Township 46 North, Range 22 West,

Pettis County, Missouri, and to install a new triple 6-inch run orifice meter setting and appurtenant facilities at the site of WNG's mainline gate in Section 35, Township 46 North, Range 23 West, Pettis County, Missouri. WNG states that the Sedalia town border meter setting was originally installed in 1931 and replaced in 1969. WNG estimates the cost to replace the Sedalia town border setting to be \$175,886 which will be fully reimbursed by MPS. WNG explains that the installation of the new meter setting will provide for more accurate measurement at differing volumes and allow for the future abandonment of pipeline downstream of the new setting. WNG states that MPS has indicated an interest in acquiring

the approximately six miles of 12-inch pipeline between the old and the new setting, noting however, that an agreement has not yet been reached. WNG indicates that it does not anticipate that the delivered volume will change with the installation of the replacement town border facilities, stating that as a result, the total volume to be delivered under the authorization requested will not exceed the total volume authorized prior to this request.

Comment date: October 25, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph G at the end of this notice.

4. Texas Gas Transmission Company

[Docket No. CP96-763-000]

Take notice that on September 4, 1996, Texas Gas Transmission Company (Texas Gas), P.O. Box 20008, Owensboro, Kentucky 42304, filed in Docket No. CP96-763-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.212) for authorization to construct and operate new delivery point facilities in Switzerland County, Indiana, to accommodate deliveries of natural gas to Indiana Gas Company (IGC), a local distribution company and an existing customer, under Texas Gas' blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-407-000 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.

Texas Gas requests authorization to construct and operate facilities consisting of a dual 4-inch meter station and appurtenant facilities, to be located on Main Line System in Switzerland County. The cost of the facilities is estimated at \$182,800. It is stated that IGC will reimburse Southern for the construction cost. Texas Gas states that it transports gas for IGC under an FT-Zone 4 Agreement as well as under a firm no-notice agreement. It is asserted that the proposed facilities will provide a second delivery point for Texas Gas to serve IGC. It is asserted that Texas Gas has the capability to accomplish the deliveries proposed without detriment or disadvantage to its other customers. It is further asserted that the deliveries at the proposed facilities will have no adverse effect on Texas Gas' peak day or annual deliveries.

Comment date: October 25, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph G at the end of this notice.

5. Williams Natural Gas Company

[Docket No. CP96-764-000]

Take notice that on September 4, 1996, Williams Natural Gas Company (WNG), P. O. Box 3288, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and KN Interstate Gas Transmission Co. (KNI), P.O. Box 281304, Lakewood, Colorado 80228, filed in Docket No. CP96-764-000, an abbreviated joint application pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, as amended, and part 157 of the Commission's Regulations, requesting issuance of a Commission order authorizing WNG and KNI to abandon an existing exchange agreement, and upon approval of the abandonment, authorization to cancel WNG's Rate Schedule X-10 and KNI's Rate Schedule X-5, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

WNG and KNI have mutually agreed to terminate the agreement pursuant to the terms of the agreement dated March 27, 1970, which was originally authorized on July 22, 1970, in Docket Nos. CP70-258 (WNG) and CP70-239 (KNI).

The agreement provided that, commencing January 1, 1971, KNI would deliver to WNG a volume of gas equivalent to 50,000 Dth per day with the option to increase the delivery up to a maximum volume equivalent to 150,000 Dth per day. WNG agreed to deliver to KNI beginning January 1, 1971, at an approximately equivalent daily rate, volumes of gas equivalent as nearly as possible to the volumes delivered during the same period to WNG by KNI, at the outlet of the Hugoton compressor station; provided, however that any imbalance would be carried forward to the succeeding month.

The term of the agreement was for a period of twenty (20) years and from year to year thereafter unless terminated by either party by written notice given one year prior to the expiration of the primary term, or any anniversary thereafter. If the agreement was terminated, deliveries and receipts would continue for as long as necessary to eliminate any imbalance. WNG and KNI agreed to terminate the agreement effective October 1, 1993, and all imbalances were resolved in May 1996.

There will be no abandonment or modification of existing facilities. The facilities utilized in the referenced exchange agreement will remain in place.

Comment date: October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph F at the end of this notice.

6. Pacific Gas Transmission Company

[Docket No. CP96-765-000]

Take notice that on September 4, 1996, Pacific Gas Transmission Company (PGT), 2100 Southwest River Parkway, Portland, Oregon, filed in Docket No. CP96-765-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act for authorization to construct and operate a new tap near the terminus of PGT's Coyote Springs Extension in Morrow County, Oregon, for delivery of gas to Logan International, Inc. (Logan), under its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-530-000,¹ all as more fully set forth in the request for authorization on file with the Commission and open for public inspection.

To meet Logan's request, PGT proposes to install a tap at PGT's existing Coyote Springs Meter Station to provide Logan with a supply of natural gas for use in its food processing plant located immediately adjacent to PGT's Coyote Springs Extension. PGT will provide service through an existing but unused tap within its Coyote Springs Meter Station. PGT states the installation itself will consist simply in a change in the valves of the existing tap.

PGT states that the tap will deliver up to 1,115 Mcf per day under its Rate Schedules FTS-1 and/or ITS-1. PGT holds a blanket transportation certificate pursuant to Part 284 of the Commission's Regulations issued in Docket No. CP90-1031-000.² PGT states that the proposed tap will have no impact on PGT's peak day or annual deliveries.

Comment date: October 25, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph G at the end of this notice.

7. Trunkline Gas Company

[Docket No. CP96-767-000]

Take notice that on September 5, 1996, Trunkline Gas Company (Trunkline), P.O. Box 1642, Houston, Texas 77251-1642, filed in Docket No. CP96-767-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.211 and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.211 and 157.216) for authorization to upgrade the Town of Somerville (Somerville) M&R Station, an existing delivery point located in Fayette County, Tennessee, under Trunkline's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83-84-000 pursuant to Section 7 of

¹ See, 21 FERC ¶ 62,237 (1982).

² See, 52 FERC ¶ 62,075 (1990).

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.

Trunkline proposes to upgrade the existing Somerville delivery meter (DP #80073, 87A-111) by replacing inefficient, undersized facilities with more efficient upgraded facilities so as to allow increased deliveries to be made at this delivery point. Trunkline states that based on discussions with Somerville, their area of distribution is growing considerably and that the upgraded facilities will ensure the ability of Trunkline to accommodate the anticipated increased growth.

Trunkline states the proposed project will consist of 1) removing and retiring two existing 2-inch turbine meters at milepost 393.18, downstream of Valve Section #87 in Fayette County, Tennessee, and 2) installing one 4-inch turbine meter and 2-inch bypass piping. Trunkline states that as a result of these proposed modifications, the maximum design capacity of the Somerville delivery point will increase from approximately 2.7 MMcf per day to approximately 7.1 MMcf per day at an operating pressure of 225 psig.

Trunkline states that the proposed upgrade of the Somerville delivery point will not increase the existing firm entitlements of Somerville at this time. Trunkline states that its transportation service to Somerville is provided pursuant to Rate Schedule SST (Small Shipper Transportation) and Section 284.223(a) of the Commission's Regulations.

The estimated cost to upgrade the existing facilities described herein is \$22,400.

Comment date: October 25, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph G at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraphs

F. Any person desiring to be heard or make any protest with reference to said filing should on or before the comment date file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., 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 385.211 and 385.214) 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 without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this filing 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 the applicant to appear or be represented at the hearing.

G. Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after the

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 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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Notice of Cases Filed With the Office of Hearings and Appeals; Week of August 19 Through August 23, 1996

During the Week of August 19 through August 23, 1996, the appeals, applications, petitions or other requests listed in this Notice were filed with the Office of Hearings and Appeals of the Department of Energy.

Any person who will be aggrieved by the DOE action sought in these cases may file written comments on the application within ten days of publication of this Notice or the date of receipt of actual notice, whichever occurs first. All such comments shall be filed with the Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of Energy, Washington, D.C. 20585-0107.

Dated: September 5, 1996.

George B. Breznay,

Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals.

LIST OF CASES RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS

Date	Name and location of applicant	Case No.	Type of submission
8/19/96	James D. Hunsberger, Berlin, Germany.	VFA-0206	Appeal of an Information Request Denial. If Granted: The July 22, 1996 Freedom of Information Request Denial issued by the Office of Human Radiation Experiments would be rescinded, and James D. Hunsberger would receive access to certain DOE information.
8/19/96	Malcolm Parvey, Mansfield, Massachusetts.	VFA-0205	Appeal of an Information Request Denial. If Granted: The August 7, 1996 Freedom of Information Request Denial issued by Western Area Power Administration would be rescinded, and Malcolm Parvey would receive access to certain DOE information.
8/22/96	D.L. Cheaves, Alpharetta, Georgia	RR300-288	Request for Modification/Rescission in the Gulf Refund Proceeding. If Granted: The March 20, 1992 Dismissal Letter, Case Number RR300-288, issued to D.L. Cheaves would be modified regarding the firm's application for refund submitted in the Gulf refund proceeding.
8/23/96	Rocky Flats Field Office, Golden, Colorado.	VSO-0110	Request for Hearing under 10 C.F.R. Part 710. If Granted: An individual employed at Rocky Flats Field Office would receive a hearing under 10 C.F.R. Part 710.