

docket, a request pursuant to §§ 157.205 and 157.212(a) of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act for authorization to acquire and operate certain metering and regulating (M&R) facilities, in accordance with a Bill of Sale dated May 20, 1996, between Questar and Mountain Fuel Supply Company (MFS), Questar's local distribution company affiliate, that serve the FMC Corporation (FMC) located in Sweetwater County, Wyoming, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, Questar explains that the recent acquisition of the M&R facilities allows it to have direct operational control of the facilities. Since the acquisition, Questar further explains that it has continued the delivery of natural gas directly to FMC. Questar states that MFS no longer own or operates any facilities associated with natural-gas deliveries to FMC.

Questar states that the M&R facilities comprise a 6-inch meter run and meter building, a Barton Dryflow meter, a 3-inch Fisher flow controller with associated valves and piping, primary and secondary one-inch and two-inch Fisher regulator bank assemblies, a 500 gallon odorant storage tank and other appurtenant facilities specifically listed in a Bill of Sale. In accordance with this Bill of Sale, Questar also explains that MFS sold the M&R facilities to Questar for \$16,945 and that the acquisition and continued operation of the subject M&R facilities has not required any construction activities, but, rather has involved only the contractual transfer of facility ownership, thus resulting in no effect on the existing environment.

Questar further states that it provides service to FMC in accordance with an existing interruptible Rate Schedule T-2 transportation service agreement dated May 6, 1987. It is asserted that the service agreement provides for the interruptible transportation of up to 7,000 Mcf per day of natural gas on behalf of FMC from all receipt points on Questar's transmission system to the existing FMC delivery point and that natural-gas volumes may also be transported to FMC delivery point through use of capacity-release arrangements on Questar's transmission system.

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 Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to § 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 therefor, the proposed activity is deemed to be authorized effective on 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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### **Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. ER96-2591-000]

#### **Strategic Energy Management, Inc.; Notice of Issuance of Order**

September 30, 1996.

Strategic Energy Management, Inc. (SEMI) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which SEMI will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions as a marketer. SEMI also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, SEMI requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by SEMI.

On September 13, 1996, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Applications, Office of Electric Power Regulation, granted requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by SEMI should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214).

Absent a request for hearing within this period, SEMI is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, endorser, surety or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, and compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither

public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approval of SEMI's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is October 15, 1996. Copies of the full text of the order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Lois D. Cashell,

*Secretary.*

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[Docket No. ER96-2241-000]

#### **Thicksten Grimm Burgum, Inc.; Notice of Issuance of Order**

September 30, 1996.

Thicksten Grimm Burgum, Inc. (Thicksten) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which Thicksten will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions as a marketer. Thicksten also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, Thicksten requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by Thicksten.

On September 16, 1996, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Applications, Office of Electric Power Regulation, granted requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by Thicksten should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214).

Absent a request for hearing within this period, Thicksten is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, endorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, and compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be

adversely affected by continued approval of Thicksten's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is October 16, 1996. Copies of the full text of the order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Lois D. Cashell,  
Secretary.

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**[Docket No. ER95-1159-000, et al.]**

**Colorado Public Service Company, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings**

September 27, 1996.

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

**1. Colorado Public Service Company**

[Docket No. ER95-1159-000]

Take notice that on August 28, 1996, Colorado Public Service Company tendered for filing an amendment in the above-referenced docket.

*Comment date:* October 10, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**2. Enron Corp. and Portland General Corporation**

[Docket No. EC96-36-000]

Take notice that on September 20, 1996, Enron Corp. (Enron) and Portland General Corporation (Portland General), on behalf of their respective public utility subsidiaries, Enron Power Marketing, Inc. and Portland General Electric Company (collectively "the Applicants"), tendered for filing pursuant to Section 203 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 824(b) (1994), and Part 33 of the Commission's Regulations, 18 CFR Part 33, a Joint Application for an order approving a proposed merger of Enron and Portland General.

Pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Merger, Enron and Portland General will merge through an exchange of stock, with Enron continuing as the surviving corporation. The Applicants state that they have submitted the information required by Part 33 of the Commission's Regulations in support of the application.

*Comment date:* October 18, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**3. Carolina Power & Light Company**

[Docket No. ER96-2760-000]

Take notice that on September 20, 1996, Carolina Power & Light Company (CP&L) supplemented the filing previously made in this docket on August 20, 1996.

Copies of the filing were served upon the North Carolina Utilities Commission and the South Carolina Public Service Commission.

*Comment date:* October 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**4. Louisville Gas and Electric Company**

[Docket No. ER96-2904-000]

Take notice that on September 24, 1996, Louisville Gas and Electric Company (LG&E) tendered for filing an amendment in the above-referenced docket.

*Comment date:* October 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**5. New England Power Pool**

[Docket No. ER96-3076-000]

Take notice that on September 23, 1996, the New England Power Pool Executive Committee filed a signature page to the NEPOOL Agreement dated September 1, 1971, as amended, signed by PacifiCorp Power Marketing, Inc. (PacifiCorp). The New England Power Pool Agreement, as amended, has been designated NEPOOL FPC No. 2.

The Executive Committee states that acceptance of this signature page would permit PacifiCorp to join the over 100 Participants already in the Pool. NEPOOL further states that the filed signature page does not change the NEPOOL Agreement in any manner, other than to make PacifiCorp a Participant in the Pool. NEPOOL requests an effective date of November 1, 1996 for commencement of participation in the Pool by PacifiCorp.

*Comment date:* October 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**6. Union Electric Company**

[Docket No. ER96-3077-000]

Take notice that on September 23, 1996, Union Electric Company (UE), tendered for filing a Letter Agreement dated January 18, 1996 under the provisions of the Facility Use Agreement between Illinois Power Company (IP) and UE dated August 9, 1984. UE asserts that the purpose of the Letter Agreement is to modify facilities to allow IP to better serve an existing customer.

*Comment date:* October 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**7. Central Illinois Public Service**

[Docket No. ER96-3078-000]

Take notice that on September 23, 1996, Central Illinois Public Service Company (CIPS), submitted for filing a service agreement, dated August 20, 1996, establishing Industrial Energy Applications (IEA) as a customer under the terms of CIPS' Open Access Transmission Tariff.

CIPS requests an effective date of August 20, 1996 for the service agreement. Accordingly, CIPS requests waiver of the Commission's notice requirements. Copies of this filing were served upon IEA and the Illinois Commerce Commission.

*Comment date:* October 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**8. Jersey Central Power & Light Company, Metropolitan Edison Company, Pennsylvania Electric Company**

[Docket No. ER96-3079-000]

Take notice that on September 24, 1996, GPU Service, Inc. (GPU), on behalf of Jersey Central Power & Light Company, Metropolitan Edison Company and Pennsylvania Electric Company (GPU Energy), filed an executed Service Agreement between GPU and Western Power Services, Inc. (WPS), dated September 16, 1996. This Service Agreement specifies that WPS has agreed to the rates, terms and conditions of GPU Energy's Operating Capacity and/or Energy Sales Tariff (Sales Tariff) designated as FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 1. The Sales Tariff was accepted by the Commission by letter order issued on February 10, 1995 in *Jersey Central Power & Light Co., Metropolitan Edison Co. and Pennsylvania Electric Co.*, Docket No. ER95-276-000 and allows GPU and WPS to enter into separately scheduled transactions under which GPU Energy will make available for sale, surplus operating capacity and/or energy at negotiated rates that are no higher than GPU Energy's cost of service.

GPU requests a waiver of the Commission's notice requirements for good cause shown and an effective date of September 16, 1996 for the Service Agreement.

GPU has served copies of the filing on regulatory agencies in New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

*Comment date:* October 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.