

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 given.

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

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP96-53-000]

NE HUB Partners, L.P.; Notice of Site Visit for the Proposed NE HUB Tioga Storage Project

October 11, 1996.

On October 23 and 24, 1996, the Office of Pipeline Regulation staff will conduct a site visit with representatives of NE HUB Partners, L.P. of the locations related to the facilities proposed in the NE Hub Tioga Storage Project in Tioga County, Pennsylvania. All interested parties may attend. Those planning to attend must provide their own transportation.

Information about the proposed project is available from Mr. John Wisniewski, Project Manager, at (202) 208-1073.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP97-12-000]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

October 11, 1996.

Take notice that on October 4, 1996, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), P.O. Box 3330, Omaha, Nebraska 68103-0330, filed in Docket No. CP97-12-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.212) for authorization to install and operate a new delivery tap, located in Ellis County, Oklahoma, to accommodate interruptible natural gas deliveries to GPM Gas Corporation (GPM) under Northern's blanket

certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-401-000, pursuant to Section 7(c) 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.

Northern proposes to install and operate a new delivery tap in Ellis County, Oklahoma, to accommodate interruptible natural gas deliveries to GPM. Northern states they will install a tee and valve at the site of the proposed delivery tap. GPM states they will install a meter, construct, own, and operate the nonjurisdictional facilities downstream of Northern's existing first above ground valve. GPM has requested the construction of the proposed delivery tap to provide compressor fuel and starting gas for use at its plant.

Northern advises that the proposed volumes to be delivered for GPM at the proposed delivery tap are 2,000 MMBtu on a peak day and 20,000 MMBtu on an annual basis. Northern estimates the cost of constructing the proposed delivery tap to be \$6,000. Northern states GPM will reimburse them for the total cost of construction.

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 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 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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[Docket No. OR97-1-000]

Rio Grande Pipeline Company; Notice of Petition for Declaratory Order

October 11, 1996.

Take notice that on October 7, 1996, Rio Grand Pipeline Company (Rio Grande) pursuant to Rule 207(a)(2) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, filed a petition for declaratory order.

Rio Grande requests that the Commission issue a declaratory order

allowing it to include in any cost-of-service computations justifying the rates to be charged by Rio Grande the full purchase price of a refined products pipeline (the acquired line), to which it has acquired title and will refurbish, convert, and utilize as part of a new natural gas liquid pipeline—Rio Grande Pipeline (the new NGL line). Rio Grande states that the new NGL line will constitute a new public use of the acquired line and will result in a wide range of benefits to ratepayers, which will include, but are not limited to, reduced transportation costs and more reliable transportation service.

Rio Grande requests that the Commission handle this matter on an expedited basis and shorten the 30 day notice provision in Rule 213(d)(2)(ii) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure to 20 days. Rio Grande requests that the Commission render a decision on this petition as soon as possible, but no later than December 31, 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 18 CFR 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests should be filed on or before October 31, 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. ER96-2498-000, et al.]

Carolina Power & Light Company, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

October 10, 1996.

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

1. Carolina Power & Light Company

[Docket No. ER96-2498-000]

Take notice that on October 3, 1996, Carolina Power & Light Company amended the original filing made in this docket on July 20, 1996.

Copies of the filing were served upon the North Carolina Utilities Commission

and the South Carolina Public Service Commission.

Comment date: October 23, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. Strategic Energy Ltd.

[Docket No. ER96-3107-000]

Take notice that on September 27, 1996, Strategic Energy Ltd. tendered for filing an Application for Blanket Authorizations, Certain Waivers, and Order Approving Rate Schedule.

Comment date: October 23, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

3. Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation

[Docket No. ER96-3157-000]

Take notice that on September 30, 1996, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (Niagara Mohawk), tendered for filing, pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, a tariff for inter-connection services between Niagara Mohawk and Megan-Racine Associates, Inc. (Megan-Racine).

Niagara Mohawk states that copies of its filing have been provided to Megan-Racine and to the New York Public Service Commission.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

4. Northern States Power Company (Wisconsin)

[Docket No. ER97-1-000]

Take notice that on October 1, 1996, Northern States Power Company, Eau Claire, Wisconsin (NSPW), tendered for filing the following document:

Power and Energy Supply Agreement by and between the Village of Bangor, Wisconsin, and NSPW dated July 9, 1996. The Village currently purchases power and energy from NSPW under a Power and Energy Supply Agreement dated April 1, 1992, as amended by a First Amendment to Power and Energy Supply Agreement dated May 30, 1994. NSPW submitted a Certificate of Concurrence, dated September 20, 1996, on behalf of the Village of Bangor.

NSPW requests an effective date of November 1, 1996. NSPW states that under this new agreement, the Village of Bangor will be entitled to discounts from NSPW's currently effective W-1 rate and that such discounts are being offered to all of its wholesale electric customers. The agreement contains a provision allowing the customer to obtain a negotiated rate upon two years prior notice.

A copy of the filing was served upon the Village of Bangor and the State of Wisconsin Public Service Commission.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

5. Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.

[Docket No. ER97-2-000]

Take notice that on October 1, 1996, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (Con Edison), tendered for filing an agreement with USGen Power Services, L.P. (USGen) to provide for the sale of energy and capacity. For energy the ceiling rate is 100 percent of the incremental energy cost plus up to 10 percent of the SIC (where such 10 percent is limited to 1 mill per Kwhr when the SIC in the hour reflects a purchased power resource). The ceiling rate for capacity is \$7.70 per megawatt hour. Energy and capacity sold by USGen will be at market-based rates.

Con Edison states that a copy of this filing has been served by mail upon USGen.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

6. The Toledo Edison Company

[Docket No. ER97-3-000]

Take notice that on October 1, 1996, The Toledo Edison Company filed an agreement for payment of a contribution in aid of construction by a wholesale electric service customer, American Municipal Power-Ohio, Inc., to The Toledo Edison Company.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

7. Florida Power & Light Company

[Docket No. ER97-4-000]

Take notice that on October 1, 1996, Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) filed the Contract for Purchases and Sales of Power and Energy between FPL and TransCanada Power Corp. FPL requests an effective date of October 4, 1996.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

8. Washington Water Power

[Docket No. ER97-5-000]

Take notice that on October 1, 1996, Washington Water Power, tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission pursuant to 18 CFR 35.13, two service agreements under FERC Electric Tariff Volume No. 4 with McMinville Water & Light and Benton County PUD.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

9. Interstate Power Company

[Docket No. ER97-6-000]

Take notice that on October 1, 1996, Interstate Power Company (IPW), tendered for filing a Transmission Service Agreement between IPW and Minnesota Power & Light Company (Minnesota Power). Under the Transmission Service Agreement, IPW will provide non-firm point-to-point transmission service to Minnesota Power.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

10. The Washington Water Power Company

[Docket No. ER97-7-000]

Take notice that on October 1, 1996, The Washington Water Power Company (WWP), tendered for filing pursuant to 18 CFR 385.205, proposed market-based rate tariff set forth as its FERC Electric Rate Schedule No. 9 to be effective the earlier of October 1, 1996 or the date the Commission issues an Order in this Docket.

WWP intends to engage in electric power and energy transactions on rates, terms, and conditions to be mutually agreed to with the purchasing party. WWP is proposing to add these market-based rate tariffs to its already existing FERC tariffs. Service provided under existing tariffs is not expected to be eliminated.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

11. Interstate Power Company

[Docket No. ER97-8-000]

Take notice that on October 1, 1996, Interstate Power Company (IPW), tendered for filing a Transmission Service Agreement between IPW and WPS Energy Services, Inc. Under the Transmission Service Agreement, IPW will provide non-firm point-to-point transmission service to WPS Energy Services, Inc.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

12. Cinergy Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER97-9-000]

Take notice that on October 1, 1996, PSI Energy, Inc. (PSI), tendered for filing the Transmission and Local Facilities (T&LF) Agreement Calendar Year 1995 Reconciliation between PSI and Wabash Valley Power Association, Inc. (WVPA), and between PSI and Indiana Municipal Power Agency (IMPA). The T&LF Agreement has been designated as PSI's Rate Schedule FERC No. 253.

Copies of the filing were served on Wabash Valley Power Association, Inc., the Indiana Municipal Power Agency and the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

13. Houston Lighting & Power Company
[Docket No. ER97-10-000]

Take notice that on October 1, 1996, Houston Lighting & Power Company (HL&P), tendered for filing an executed transmission service agreement (TSA) with Sonat Power Marketing L.P. for Economy Energy Transmission Service under HL&P's FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, for Transmission Service To, From and Over Certain HVDC Interconnections. HL&P has requested an effective date of September 4, 1996.

Copies of the filing were served on Sonat and the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

14. The Toledo Edison Company
[Docket No. ER97-11-000]

Take notice that on October 2, 1996, The Toledo Edison Company, filed an agreement for payment of a contribution in aid of construction by a wholesale electric service customer, Buckeye Power Inc., to The Toledo Edison Company.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

15. Florida Power & Light Company
[Docket No. ER97-12-000]

Take notice that on October 2, 1996, Florida Power & Light Company, filed a letter notice dated September 24, 1996, from Florida Keys Electric Cooperative Association, Inc. to FPL. This letter contains information provided pursuant to Section 11.1 of the Long-Term Agreement to Provide Capacity and Energy by Florida Power & Light Company to Florida Keys Electric Cooperative Association, Inc., dated August 15, 1991. FPL requests that the proposed notice be made effective January 1, 1997.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

16. Florida Power & Light Company
[Docket No. ER97-13-000]

Take notice that on October 2, 1996, Florida Power & Light Company (FPL), tendered for filing a proposed notice of

cancellation of an umbrella service agreement with Valero Power Services Company for Firm Short-Term transmission service under FPL's Open Access Transmission Tariff.

FPL requests that the proposed cancellation be permitted to become effective on October 1, 1996.

FPL states that this filing is in accordance with Part 35 of the Commission's Regulations.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

17. Florida Power Corporation
[Docket No. ER97-14-000]

Take notice that on October 2, 1996, Florida Power Corporation (Florida Power), tendered for filing a service agreement providing for service to Progress Power Marketing, Inc. pursuant to its open access transmission tariff (the T-6 Tariff). Florida Power requests that the Commission waive its notice of filing requirements and allow the agreement to become effective on October 3, 1996.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

18. Florida Power Corporation
[Docket No. ER97-15-000]

Take notice that on October 2, 1996, Florida Power Corporation (Florida Power), tendered for filing a service agreement providing for service to CNG Power Services Corporation pursuant to its open access transmission tariff (the T-6 Tariff). Florida Power requests that the Commission waive its notice of filing requirements and allow the agreement to become effective on October 3, 1996.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

19. Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation
[Docket No. ER97-16-000]

Take notice that on October 2, 1996, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (NMPC), tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an executed Transmission Service Agreement between NMPC and TransCanada Power Corp. This Transmission Service Agreement specifies that TransCanada Power Corp. has signed on to and has agreed to the terms and conditions of NMPC's Open Access Transmission Tariff as filed in Docket No. OA96-194-000. This Tariff, filed with FERC on July 9, 1996, will allow NMPC and TransCanada Power Corp. to enter into separately scheduled

transactions under which NMPC will provide transmission service for TransCanada Power Corp. as the parties may mutually agree.

In its filing letter, NMPC also included a Certificate of Concurrence executed by the customer.

NMPC requests an effective date of September 23, 1996. NMPC has requested waiver of the notice requirements for good cause shown.

NMPC has served copies of the filing upon the New York State Public Service Commission and TransCanada Power Corp.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

20. Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation
[Docket No. ER97-17-000]

Take notice that on October 2, 1996, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (NMPC), tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an executed Transmission Service Agreement between NMPC and Western Power Services, Inc. This Transmission Service Agreement specifies that Western Power Services, Inc. has signed on to and has agreed to the terms and conditions of NMPC's Open Access Transmission Tariff as filed in Docket No. OA96-194-000. This Tariff, filed with FERC on July 9, 1996, will allow NMPC and Western Power Services, Inc. to enter into separately scheduled transactions under which NMPC will provide transmission service for Western Power Services, Inc. as the parties may mutually agree.

In its filing letter, NMPC also included a Certificate of Concurrence executed by the customer.

NMPC requests an effective date of September 23, 1996. NMPC has requested waiver of the notice requirements for good cause shown.

NMPC has served copies of the filing upon the New York State Public Service Commission and Western Power Services, Inc.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

21. P&T Power Company
[Docket No. ER97-18-000]

Take notice that on October 2, 1996, P&T Power Company (P&T), tendered for filing FERC Electric Service Rating Schedule No. 1, together with a petition for waivers and blanket approvals of various Commission Regulations necessary for such Rate Schedule to become effective 51 days after the date of filing.

P&T states that it intends to engage in electric power and energy transactions as a marketer, and that it proposed to make sales under rates, terms and conditions to be mutually agreed to with the purchasing party. P&T further states that it is not in the business of generating, transmitting or distributing electric power.

Comment date: October 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraph

E. 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 Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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Notice of Transfer of Licenses

October 11, 1996.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. *Type of Application:* Transfer of Licenses.

b. *Project Nos.:* 2808-009, 2809-010, 3562-018, and 4202-017.

c. *Date Filed:* September 25, 1996.

d. *Applicants:* Consolidated Hydro Maine, Inc., Ridgewood Maine Hydro Partners, L.P.

e. *Name of Projects and Locations:*
Barker's Mill "Lower Barker", on the Little Androscoggin River, in Androscoggin County, Maine
American Tissue "Gardiner", on the Cobbosseecontee Stream, in Kennebec County, Maine
Barker Mill "Upper Barker", on the Little Androscoggin River, in Androscoggin County, Maine
Lowell Tanner "Pumpkin Hill", on the Passadumkeag River, in Penobscot County, Maine

f. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 USC §§ 791-825(r).

g. *Applicants Contact:* Stephen E. Champagne, Esq., Curtis Thaxter Stevens Broder & Micoleau, LLC, One Canal Plaza, P.O. Box 7320, Portland, ME 04112, (207) 775-2361.

h. *FERC Contact:* Regina Saizan, (202) 219-2673.

i. *Comment Date:* November 6, 1996.

j. *Description of Request:* Consolidated Hydro Maine, Inc. (Consolidated), licensee for the above projects, and Ridgewood Maine Hydro Partners, L.P. (Ridgewood) request that the licenses for the projects be transferred from Consolidated to Ridgewood. Consolidated is being merged into Ridgewood to facilitate a change in the beneficial interest in the projects. There is no debt associated with the mergers.

k. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* B, C2, and D2.

B. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

C2. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS,"

"RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS," "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION," "COMPETING APPLICATION," "PROTEST," or "MOTION TO INTERVENE," as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. A copy of a notice of intent, competing application, or 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5637-7]

Contractor Access to Confidential Business Information Under the Clean Air Act

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The EPA has authorized the following contractors for access to information that has been, or will be, submitted to EPA under section 114 of the Clean Air Act (CAA) as amended. (1) Environmental Consulting and Research (EC/R) Incorporated, 3721-D University Drive, Durham, North Carolina 27707, contract number 68D60010; (2) Eastern Research Group (ERG) Incorporated, 1600 Perimeter Park, Morrisville, NC 27560, contract number 68D60011; (3) Midwest Research Institute (MRI), Suite 350, 401 Harrison Oaks Boulevard, Cary, NC 27513, contract number 68D60012; (4) Pacific Environmental Services (PES), 5001 South Miami Boulevard, Central Park West, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, contract number 68D60013; (5) Research Triangle Institute (RTI), P.O. Box 12194, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, contract number 68D60014.

Some of the information may be claimed to be confidential business information (CBI) by the submitter.

DATES: Access to confidential data submitted to EPA will occur no sooner than October 28, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Doris Maxwell, Document Control Officer, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (MD-13), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711, (919) 541-5312.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The EPA is issuing this notice to inform all submitters of information under section 114 of the CAA that EPA may provide the above mentioned contractors access