

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. RP97-28-000]

**Wyoming Interstate Company, Ltd.;
Notice of Nonconforming Negotiated
Rates Filing**

October 16, 1996.

Take notice that on October 10, 1996, Wyoming Interstate Company, Ltd. (WIC), filed in Docket No. RP97-28-000 for authorization to implement nonconforming negotiated rates in its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 2. WIC avers that the filing complies with the Commission's requirements included in Docket No. RM95-6.

WIC has requested an effective date of November 15, 1996. WIC states that the filing has been mailed to all holders of

its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 2.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211). All such motions or protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. 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 proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules. 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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Office of Hearings and Appeals

**Notice of Cases Filed for the Week of
August 26 Through August 30, 1996**

During the Week of August 26 through August 30, 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 any of 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: October 15, 1996.

George B. Breznay,

Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals.

LIST OF CASES RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF HEARINGS AND APPEALS

[Week of August 26 through August 30, 1996]

Date	Name and location of applicant	Case No.	Type of submission
August 27, 1996	FOIA Group, Inc., Alexandria, VA.	VFA-0208	Appeal of an information request denial. If granted: The July 16, 1996 Freedom of Information Request Denial issued by the Schenectady Naval Reactors Office would be rescinded, and FOIA Group, Inc. would receive access to certain Department of Energy information.
August 29, 1996	Albuquerque Operations Office, Albuquerque, NM.	VSO-0111	Request for hearing under 10 C.F.R. Part 710. If granted: An individual employed at Albuquerque Operations Office would receive a hearing under 10 C.F.R. Part 710.
August 29, 1996	Dirk T. Hummer, Richland, WA.	VFA-0209	Appeal of an information request denial. If granted: The August 6, 1996 Freedom of Information Request Denial issued by the Richland Operations Office would be rescinded, and Dick T. Hummer would receive access to certain Department of Energy information.
August 30, 1996	Givaudan-Roure Corporation, Washington, DC.	RR272-245	Request for modification/rescission in the crude oil refund proceeding. If granted: The July 31, 1996 Dismissal Letter, Case Number RG272-531, issued to Givaudan-Roure Corporation would be modified regarding the firm's application for refund submitted in the Crude Oil refund proceeding.
August 30, 1996	James H. Stebbings, Naperville, IL.	VFA-0211	Appeal of an information request denial. If granted: The April 22, 1996 Freedom of Information Request Denial issued by the Department of Energy, Argonne Group would be rescinded, and James H. Stebbings would receive access to certain Department of Energy information.
August 30, 1996	Local Union No. 701, I.B.E.W., Lisle, IL.	VFA-0210	Appeal of an information Request Denial. If granted: The August 8, 1996 Freedom of Information Request Denial issued by the Department of Energy Fermi Group would be rescinded, and Local Union No. 701, I.B.E.W. would receive access to certain Department of Energy information.
August 30, 1996	United Truck Line Memphis, TN.	RR272-249	Request for modification/rescission in the crude oil refund proceeding. If granted: The August 7, 1996 Decision and Order Case No. RF272-89381 issued to United Truck Line would be modified regarding the firm's application for refund submitted in the Crude Oil refund proceeding.

REFUND APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

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Date	Name of refund proceeding/name of refund application	Case No.
August 27, 1996	JERAIR PAMOSIAH	RF304-15505.

REFUND APPLICATIONS RECEIVED—Continued

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Date	Name of refund proceeding/name of refund application	Case No.
August 26 thru August 30, 1996	Crude oil supplemental refunds	RK272–3890 thru RK272–3899.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–5638–3]

Retrofit/Rebuild Requirements for 1993 and Earlier Model Year Urban Buses; Certification of Equipment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of Certification of Equipment Supplied by Twin Rivers Technologies for the Urban Bus Retrofit/Rebuild Program.

SUMMARY: The Agency received a notification of intent to certify equipment signed August 21, 1995, from Twin Rivers Technologies (TRT) with principal place of business at 780 Washington Street, Quincy, Massachusetts 02159, for certification of urban bus retrofit/rebuild equipment pursuant to 40 CFR 85.1401–85.1415. On December 13, 1995, EPA published a notice (60 FR 64051) in the Federal Register that the notification had been received and made the notification available for public review and comment for a period of 45 days. The Agency has completed its review of this notification, and the comments received, and the Director of the Engine Programs and Compliance Division has determined that certain configurations of the candidate equipment meet the requirements for certification. Accordingly, today's Federal Register notice announces the Agency's decision to certify this equipment, as described below. The effective date of certification is established in a letter to TRT from the Director of the Engine Programs and Compliance Division, as described below.

Two configurations of equipment are certified for applicable engines: (1) A particular biodiesel fuel additive in combination with a particular exhaust system oxidation catalyst; and, (2) the additive and the catalyst, plus retarded fuel injection timing. The certified equipment is applicable to petroleum-fueled Detroit Diesel Corporation (DDC) two-stroke/cycle engines originally

installed in urban buses of model years 1979 through 1993, excluding 1990 model year DDC 6L71TA engines. The oxidation catalyst of this equipment is the CMX™ catalyst which has been previously certified under the urban bus program by the Engelhard Corporation. Biodiesel is a potentially renewable, oxygen-containing fuel. As a component of this equipment, biodiesel is produced from original-use plant oil sources and methyl alcohol, consists of methyl esters of specified carbon chain-lengths, and must be blended at a ratio of 20 percent by volume with the balance federally required low-sulfur diesel fuel (having a maximum sulfur content of 0.05 weight percent). Some configurations of this equipment use retarded fuel injection timing to reduce exhaust emissions of NO_x.

Today's Federal Register notice announces certification of equipment having a biodiesel component of restricted specification. This notice, however, is not meant to preclude other Agency actions or considerations with respect to other specifications involving biodiesel in the urban bus retrofit/rebuild program or other programs. Use of biodiesel of other specifications, or without the specified exhaust catalyst, is not part of the equipment described in today's notice.

Some of the certified configurations do not reduce particulate matter (PM) emissions by at least 25 percent and, therefore, cannot be used to meet program requirements by bus operators that elect compliance option 1. Operators electing to use option 1 must, until such time that the 0.10 g/bhp-hr standard is triggered, use equipment certified to reduce PM emissions by at least 25 percent, when rebuilding or replacing engines.

Any certified configuration of the equipment may be used by operators electing compliance option 2, the fleet averaging option. Under option 2, an operator must use sufficient certified equipment so that its average fleet emission level complies with a specific annual target level.

Today's notice discusses limited data provided by TRT which indicate that engine emissions of unregulated aldehydes may increase when fuel injection timing is retarded. It is uncertain whether there would be an

increase in ambient levels or, if there is an increase, whether it would become irritating to exposed populations. Operators concerned with the possibility for increased irritation to exposed populations may want to minimize the potential for increased ambient levels through management practices. The Agency concludes that the totality of available information support a net programmatic benefit from certifying B20 with the oxidation catalyst.

The specified biodiesel blend, in combination with the specified exhaust catalyst, has been demonstrated to reduce PM. This certification will make the specified biodiesel acceptable, when used in conjunction with the specified catalytic converter, for use by operators to comply with the urban bus program requirements. The TRT notification, as well as other materials specifically relevant to it, are contained in Public Docket A–93–42, category X, entitled "Certification of Urban Bus Retrofit/Rebuild Equipment." This docket is located in room M–1500, Waterside Mall (ground floor), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street SW, Washington, DC 20460.

Docket items may be inspected from 8:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. As provided in 40 CFR Part 2, a reasonable fee may be charged by the Agency for copying docket materials.

DATES: Today's Federal Register notice announces the Agency's decision to certify equipment, as described below. The effective date of certification was established in a letter dated September 20, 1996, to TRT from the Director of the Engine Programs and Compliance Division. (A copy of the letter is in the public docket, which is located at the address noted above.) This certified equipment may be used immediately by urban bus operators, as described below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Bill Rutledge, Engine Programs and Compliance Division (6403–J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St. SW, Washington, DC 20460. Telephone: (202) 233–9297.