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Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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[Docket No. TQ97-1-23-000]

**Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company;
Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC
Gas Tariff**

November 5, 1996.

Take notice that on October 30, 1996 Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company (ESNG) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, certain revised tariff sheets in the above captioned docket, with a proposed effective date of November 1, 1996.

ESNG states that the revised tariff sheets included herein are being filed pursuant to Section 21 of the General Terms and Conditions of ESNG's Gas Tariff to reflect changes in ESNG's jurisdictional rates. The sales rates set forth herein reflect an increase of \$0.2955 per dt in the Commodity Charge, as measured against ESNG's Annual PGA filing, Docket No. TA97-1-23-000, et al., filed on August 30, 1996 to be effective on November 1, 1996.

ESNG states that the commodity current purchased gas cost adjustment reflects ESNG's projected cost of gas for the months of November 1996 through January 1997, and has been calculated using its best estimate of available gas supplies to meet ESNG's anticipated purchase requirements. The increased gas costs in this filing are a result of higher prices being paid to producers/suppliers under ESNG's market-responsive gas supply contracts.

ESNG states that copies of the filing have been served upon its jurisdictional 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 Rule 211 and Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR Section 385.211 and Section 385.214). 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.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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[Docket No. GT97-8-000]

**El Paso Natural Gas Company; Notice
of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas
Tariff**

November 5, 1996.

Take notice that on October 31, 1996, El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso), tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, to become effective December 1, 1996:

Second Revised Sheet No. 500
Second Revised Sheet No. 501

El Paso states that the tendered tariff sheets, update the Index of Sales Customers contained in Third Revised Volume No. 1 in compliance with Section 154.111 of the Commission's Regulations.

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.

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Secretary.

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[Docket No. EL97-8-000]

**Enron Power Marketing, Inc. v. El Paso
Electric Company; Notice of
Supplemental Order Procedures and
Denying Motion**

November 5, 1996.

Take notice that the Commission is undertaking certain procedures to consider an emergency application of Enron Power Marketing, Inc. (EPMI) seeking an order pursuant to section 202(e) of the FPA to modify El Paso Electric Company's (El Paso) Export Authorization in Docket No. EA-48-I, (authorizing El Paso to export electricity to Mexico) and/or to modify El Paso's Presidential Permits for its United States-Mexico border facilities in Docket Nos. PP-48-3 (Ascarate) and PP-92 (Diablo). The purpose of such modifications would be to permit the use of El Paso's border facilities for other United States companies to participate in sales of firm capacity and associated energy to Comision Federal De Electricidad (CFE) pursuant to CFE's September 9, 1996 request for proposals (RFP) to provide up to a maximum of 200 MW during 1997 in the Zone of Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, on the United States/Mexico border.

EPMI's application was originally filed with the Department of Energy (DOE) on October 7, 1996. EPMI asked DOE to supplement orders issued February 6, 1996, in Docket No. EA-102 (authorizing EPMI to export electricity to Mexico) and April 16, 1992, in Docket No. EA-48-I to require El Paso to provide EPMI nondiscriminatory transmission access over the United States portion of the lines connecting the Diablo and Ascarate substations in the United States with the Insurgentes and Riverena substations in Mexico. EPMI also requested that DOE amend El Paso's Presidential Permits, Docket No. PP-48-3 and Docket No. PP-92, to the extent necessary to grant EPMI's request.

On November 1, 1996, the Secretary of Energy issued Delegation Order No. 0204-163, which delegated to the Commission the authority to modify or condition El Paso's Presidential Permits for its border facilities in Docket Nos. PP-48-3 and PP-92, or El Paso's authorization to export in Docket No. EA-48-I, or both. DOE authorized the Commission to take actions necessary, if any, to effectuate open access transmission over the lines connecting the Diablo and Ascarate substations in the United States with the Insurgentes and Riverena substations in Mexico. EPMI's October 7, 1996 application initially filed with DOE has been

docketed as Docket No. EL97-8-000 and pleadings filed at DOE in response to that application are incorporated into the record in Docket No. EL97-8-000.

In a pleading filed November 1, 1996, EPMI informed the Commission that CFE will select the winning bidder on November 7, 1996, and the chosen supplier will have 10 days from that time (November 17, 1996) to demonstrate that it has transmission service to meet the CFE's requirements. El Paso filed an emergency motion on November 1, 1996, requesting a period of time no earlier than December 2, 1996, in which to submit a response to EPMI's October 7, 1996 application. El Paso states that it will, assuming its system has capacity, voluntarily provide the service sought by EPMI, as well as service to any entity that is selected by CFE as a result of its September 9, 1996 RFP, "at rates, terms and conditions that are identical to those incorporated in its Open Access Transmission Tariff" but "under a separate agreement that is not subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission," pending final action on EPMI's application. On November 4, 1996, EPMI filed an answer to El Paso's motion stating that it does not oppose El Paso's requests as long as: (1) El Paso's commitment to provide voluntary service is fully enforceable in future compliance or complaint proceedings before the Commission under sections 205 and 206 of the FPA; and (2) EPMI is afforded an opportunity to respond to the arguments that El Paso may make.

Given the time constraints involved in this proceeding, we believe it necessary to provide hearing procedures that will afford El Paso with an "opportunity for hearing" required in section 202(e) of the FPA, the Presidential Permits or the Executive Orders under which such permits were issued, or in El Paso's export authorization from DOE before November 17, 1996, on the issues raised in EPMI's October 7, 1996, application. El Paso's motion does not provide sufficient reassurance that service will be available to EPMI or another winning bidder during the pendency of this proceeding because, as EPMI notes, El Paso does not believe that service is enforceable by this Commission under the Federal Power Act and has provided potential suppliers to CFE no other means of ensuring that service will be provided. As a result, unless El Paso in the immediate future provides sufficient reassurance that service will be available during the pendency of this proceeding, timely action on this complaint is necessary. Thus, we will grant El Paso's motion only if, by November 8, El Paso agrees in writing to offer to the winning bidder selected

by CFE an enforceable contract for the year 1997 to provide the necessary transmission services at rates, terms and conditions consistent with the comparability and non-discriminatory principles articulated in Order No. 888. Further, El Paso must by November 8 agree to abide by the Commission's resolution of any disputes that arise under such contract, pending Commission resolution of the jurisdictional issues presented in this proceeding.

If El Paso does not provide this written consent by November 8, any person desiring to be heard or to protest or answer EPMI's filing in Docket No. EL97-8-000, including El Paso, should file a motion to intervene, protest, or answer, including supporting materials, with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 214, 211 and 213 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR §§ 385.214, 211, 213). All such motions, protests, answers, and supporting materials, must be filed on or before November 12, 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.

By direction of the Commission.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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Florida Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Transition Cost Recovery Report

November 5, 1996.

Take notice that on November 1, 1996, Florida Gas Transmission Company (FGT) tendered for filing a Transition Cost Recovery Report pursuant to Section 24 of the General Terms and Conditions of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1.

FGT states that the Transition Cost Recovery Report filed summarizes the activity which has occurred in its TCR Account and Order No. 636 Account through October, 1996 and includes \$940,948.87 of recoverable transition costs not previously reported. FGT states that because the currently effective TCR and 636 reservation charge and TCR usage surcharge rates

are at the maximum levels permitted by FGT's tariff, no tariff revisions are required as a result of this filing.

FGT states that copies of the filing were mailed to all customers serviced under the rate schedules affected by the report and the interested state commissions.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this 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 Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's rules and regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed on or before November 13, 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.

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Gas Research Institute; Notice of Request

November 5, 1996.

Take notice that on November 4, 1996, Gas Research Institute (GRI) filed a letter requesting authority to exceed the 10-unit field test limit for one of three planned field test activities.

In a letter dated October 16, 1996, GRI notified the Director of the Office of Pipeline Regulation that it plans to commence three separate field test activities. Two of these are scheduled to begin immediately and last through the end of 1996, and involve the field testing of 11 units in Project 0616 and 6 units in Project 1007. The third field test, which involves only one unit in Project 1445, is not scheduled to commence until April-May 1997. GRI notes that the field test activities in Projects 1007 and 1445 do not require prior Commission approval before commencement. GRI is required, however, to inform the Commission when it commences field test activities under its automatic authority. In compliance with this requirement, GRI's letter includes information on the field test activities in Projects 1007 and 1445, and on the first 10 units of the Project 0616 field test.