

It is stated that IEC has requested that Texas Eastern install one 12-inch valve and 12-inch check valve each and electronic gas measurement equipment (EGM) on Texas Eastern's 30-inch Line No. 19 and 24-inch Line No. 12 in Bucks County, Pennsylvania so that Texas Eastern may initiate interruptible service of up to 250,000 dt equivalent of natural gas per day to IEC under its Rate Schedule IT-1. It is also indicated that IEC would install or cause to be installed dual 12-inch meter runs, related equipment and approximately 50 feet of 12-inch pipe which would extend from IEC's 18-inch line to Texas Eastern's Line Nos. 19 and 12 at the site of the proposed taps.

It is also indicated that IEC has requested that Texas Eastern construct and install the facilities proposed herein so that IEC can receive natural gas from Texas Eastern so that IEC may ultimately deliver natural gas to Pennsylvania Power and Light Co.'s (PP&L) Martins Creek Steam Electric Station (Martins Creek) located in the Lower Mount Bethel Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. Texas Eastern mentions that IEC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of PP&L. It is also stated that PP&L intends to modify its oil-fired Martins Creek Units 3 and 4 to co-fire these units with natural gas. Texas Eastern states that IEC currently holds authority from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PaPUC) to operate a pipeline for the transportation of crude oil and petroleum products to PP&L at Martins Creek, and has received authorization from the PaPUC to convert 35 miles of its oil pipeline to dual natural gas and petroleum operations.

It has also been indicated that Martins Creek is not currently, nor has it ever been, served by UGI Utilities, Inc., (UGI), the local distribution company authorized by the PaPUC to serve customers in Lower Mount Bethel Township. Texas Eastern submits that the proposed delivery point does not constitute a bypass of UGI and requests that the Commission confirm that initiating this service will not trigger a contract reduction option for UGI.

On the same date, Texas Eastern also filed in Docket No. CP96-193-000 for authorization under its Subpart F blanket certificate to construct and operate the facilities to implement the proposed delivery point.

Comment date: March 14, 1996, in accordance with the first paragraph of Standard Paragraph F 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, NE., Washington, DC 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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[Docket No. RM96-7-000]

Regulation of Negotiated Transportation Services of Natural Gas Pipelines; Order Granting Clarification

Issued February 23, 1996.

United Distribution Companies (UDC) and Associated Gas Distributors (AGD) request clarification of the scope of the comments solicited in the Commission's January 31, 1996 Policy Statement and Request for Comments (Policy Statement).¹ Among other things, the Policy Statement announced that the Commission is willing to accept, on a shipper-by-shipper basis, filings to charge negotiated rates if shippers retain the ability to choose a cost-of-service based tariff rate. In the Policy Statement, the Commission also established this separate proceeding and requested that interested parties file comments within 60 days on the appropriateness of negotiated terms and conditions of service.

UDC and AGD assert that the stated purpose of the proceeding established in Docket No. RM96-7-000 was to consider "the ramifications of negotiated terms of service."² UDC and AGD contend that this language limits public comment to questions solely relating to negotiated terms and conditions of service, excluding any comments that may also raise rate issues. UDC and AGD also cite language in the Policy Statement that permits parties to comment on "any other issue that should be considered before permitting pipelines to negotiate terms of service with individual shippers."³ They assert that the concerns raised by the Commission with respect to the implementation of negotiated rates, and even aspects of the Statement of Policy on Market-Based Rates and changes to the Commission's Policy on Incentive Rates, "could qualify as issues that should be considered before permitting pipelines to negotiate terms of service with individual shippers."⁴ Thus, UDC and AGD request that the Commission clarify the scope of Docket No. RM96-7-000 such that public comments are solicited on rate issues as well as on issues concerning terms and conditions of service.

UDC and AGD state they recognize the January 31 Policy Statement as setting forth the Commission's final decision to permit negotiated rates and that the Commission is not soliciting further comment on its statutory

¹ 74 FERC ¶ 61,076 (1996), 61 FR 4633 (February 7, 1996).

² Policy Statement, slip op. at 61.

³ Policy Statement, slip op. at 62.

⁴ Request for Clarification at 3-4.

authority to permit individual pipelines to file proposals for negotiated rates. They acknowledge that any questions regarding the legality of the Commission's action in determining to permit pipelines to file proposals for negotiated rates, therefore, would be subject to the time deadlines applicable to appeal final Commission action.

The Commission recognizes that issues concerning negotiated terms and conditions of service may in fact be related to various rate issues. The Commission will not reconsider in Docket No. RM96-7-000 the policies it announced in Docket No. RM96-6-000 for market-based and incentive rates, or the permission it gave for market-based and incentive rates. However, the Commission will accept comments that discuss issues relevant to the Commission's consideration of whether to permit negotiated services, including relevant rate issues.

By the Commission.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Public Meetings of the Storm Water Phase II Advisory Subcommittee and Urban Wet Weather Flows Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is convening two separate public meetings: (1) The Storm Water Phase II Advisory Subcommittee meeting on March 14-15, 1996 and (2) the Urban Wet Weather Flows (UWWF) Advisory Committee meeting on March 18-19, 1996. These meetings are open to the public without need for advance registration. The Storm Water Phase II Advisory Subcommittee will discuss issues concerning the draft approach developed by the Options Workgroup. The UWWF Advisory Committee will discuss issues related to water quality standards; the watershed approach; and storm water improvement.

DATES: The Storm Water Phase II meeting will be held on March 14-15, 1996. The March 14 meeting will begin promptly at 9 a.m. EST and end at approximately 5:30 p.m. On March 15, the meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. and

end at approximately 4 p.m. The UWWF Advisory Committee meeting will be held on March 18-19, 1996. On March 18, the meeting will begin at approximately 10 a.m. EST and run until approximately 6:30 p.m. On March 19, the meeting will run from approximately 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

ADDRESS: Both meetings will be held at the Holiday Inn Georgetown, 2101 Wisconsin Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. The Holiday Inn Georgetown's telephone number is (202) 338-4600. A block of rooms are reserved from Wednesday, March 13 through Friday, March 15 (Phase II) and from Sunday, March 17 through Tuesday, March 19 (UWWF). The rooms are listed under "EPA storm water and urban wet weather meeting."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: For the Phase II Subcommittee meeting, contact George Utting, Acting Storm Water Phase II Matrix Manager, Office of Wastewater Management, at (202) 260-9530.

For the UWWF Advisory Committee meeting, contact William Hall, Urban Wet Weather Matrix Manager, Office of Wastewater Management, at (202) 260-1458, or Internet: hall.william@epamail.epa.gov.

Dated: February 22, 1996.

Alfred W. Lindsey,

Deputy Director, Office of Wastewater Management, Designated Federal Official.

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Reformulated and Conventional Gasoline Reports

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Extension of deadline for submission of reports.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing that it will allow refiners, importers and oxygenate blenders until March 31, 1996 to submit certain reformulated and conventional gasoline reports required for calendar year 1995. These reports under 40 CFR 80.75 and 80.105 would otherwise be due on or before February 29, 1996. Because of unforeseen circumstances beyond its control, EPA has been delayed in developing and distributing the materials and guidance necessary for preparing certain reports for the 1995 reporting year. EPA will allow the submission by March 31, 1996 in order to give parties adequate time to prepare and submit complete and accurate reports.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Peter Lidiak, U.S. EPA, Office of Air & Radiation, 401 M Street, S.W., (6406-J), Washington DC 20460. Telephone: 202-233-9026.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

On December 15, 1993, EPA promulgated regulations implementing the reformulated and conventional gasoline program required by section 211(k) of the Clean Air Act. This program establishes standards for the quality of gasoline produced or imported beginning in 1995, and includes requirements that refiners, importers and oxygenate blenders (gasoline producers) must submit periodic reports to EPA in order to demonstrate compliance with these standards.

Under 40 CFR 80.75, producers of reformulated gasoline are required to submit certain reports quarterly while other reports must be submitted on an annual basis. The reformulated gasoline reports that must be submitted on an annual basis¹ include the following:

Reid vapor pressure (RVP) averaging report, § 80.75(b)(1);² sulfur, T-90 and olefin averaging report, § 80.75(b)(2); VOC emissions performance averaging report, § 80.75(c);³ benzene averaging report, § 80.75(d); toxics emissions performance averaging report, § 80.75(e); oxygen averaging report, § 80.75(f); NO_x emissions performance averaging report, § 80.75(g); credit transfer report, § 80.75(h); covered area report, § 80.75(I); and per-gallon compliance report, § 80.75(l).

Under 40 CFR 80.105, all producers of non-reformulated, or conventional, gasoline are required to submit annual reports. Both §§ 80.75 and § 80.105 require that reports must be submitted on forms, and following procedures, specified by the EPA Administrator.

¹ The averaging reports for RVP, oxygen and benzene, and toxics, VOC and NO_x emissions performance are required only for producers who elected to meet these standards on average, as opposed to a per-gallon basis. The credit transfer report is required only for a producers who were the transferor or transferee of oxygen or benzene credits. The covered area report is required only for producers who met one or more standard on average. The per-gallon compliance report is required only for producers who met one or more standard on a per-gallon basis.

² The RVP annual averaging report must be submitted with the third quarter report, which is due on or before November 30 each year. As a result, the forms and instructions for this report were prepared by EPA prior to November 30, 1995, and the RVP annual averaging report is unaffected by this Notice.

³ The VOC emissions performance annual average report, which must be filed with the third quarter report due on or before November 30, is not affected by this Notice.