

The Supplements to the rate schedules request approval of Ocean State's proposed rate of return on equity for the period beginning on April 29, 1997, the requested effective date of the Supplements, and ending on the effective date of Ocean State's updated rate of return on equity to be filed in February of 1998.

Copies of the Supplements have been served upon, among others, Ocean State's power purchasers, the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities, and the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: March 26, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

33. Central Illinois Public Service Company

[Docket No. ER97-1900-000]

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, Central Illinois Public Service Company (CIPS), submitted three service agreements, dated between February 18, 1997 and February 24, 1997, establishing the following as customers under the terms of CIPS' Open Access Transmission Tariff: Madison Gas and Electric Company, Public Service Electric and Gas Company and Wabash Valley Power Association, Inc.

CIPS requests an effective date of February 24, 1997, for these service agreements. Accordingly, CIPS requests waiver of the Commission's notice requirements. Copies of this filing were served on the three customers and the Illinois Commerce Commission.

Comment date: March 26, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

34. Eastman Chemical Company

[Docket No. QF92-13-002]

On March 5, 1997, Eastman Chemical Company (Applicant) tendered for filing a supplement to its filing in this docket. No determination has been made that the submittal constitutes a complete filing.

The supplement provides additional information pertaining primarily to the ownership structure and the technical data of the cogeneration facility.

Comment date: April 1, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

35. Northern States Power Company v. Western Area Power Administration of the United States Department of Energy

[Docket No. TX97-4-000]

Take notice that on March 6, 1997, Northern States Power Company (Minnesota) filed an Application under Section 211 of the Federal Power Act

seeking transmission service, consisting of a new interconnection, from the Western Area Power Administration.

Comment date: April 7, 1997, 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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[Docket No. ER95-1382-009, et al.]

The Utility-Trade Corporation, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

March 13, 1997.

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

1. The Utility-Trade Corporation

[Docket No. ER95-1382-009]

Take notice that on February 19, 1997, The Utility-Trade Corporation tendered for filing a Notice to the Commission of a change in ownership.

Comment date: March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. MP Energy, Inc.

[Docket No. ER97-399-001]

Take notice that on January 21, 1997, MP Energy, Inc. tendered for filing revisions to the market base rate tariff to state that the transmission and ancillary service must be provided.

Comment date: March 19, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

3. Montana Power Company

[Docket No. ER97-449-001]

Take notice that on January 21, 1997, Montana Power Company tendered for

filing revisions to the market base rate tariff to state that the transmission and ancillary service must be provided.

Comment date: March 19, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

4. Niagara Energy & Steam Co., Inc.

[Docket No. ER97-1414-000]

Take notice that on February 19, 1997, Niagara Mohawk Energy & Steam Co., Inc. tendered for filing an amendment in the above-referenced docket.

Comment date: March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

5. North Atlantic Utilities, Inc.

[Docket No. ER97-1716-000]

Take notice that on March 6, 1997, North Atlantic Utilities, Inc. tendered for filing an amendment in the above-referenced docket.

Comment date: March 14, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

6. St. Joseph Light & Power Co.

[Docket No. ER97-1846-000]

Take notice that on February 21, 1997, St. Joseph Light & Power Co. (St. Joseph), tendered for filing a proposed change in its FERC Open Access Transmission Tariff. The change consists of a Revised Index of Point-To-Point Transmission Service Customers under St. Joseph's Open Access Transmission Tariff.

Copies of the filing were served on each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in Docket No. OA96-3-000.

Comment date: March 26, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

7. Pennsylvania Power Company

[Docket No. ER97-1901-000]

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, Pennsylvania Power Company (Penn Power), tendered for filing proposed Electric Service Agreements and rate schedules which produce negotiated rate decreases for two municipal resale customers (Boroughs of Ellwood City and Grove City). Penn Power requests an effective date of March 1, 1997, the date that Penn Power and the Boroughs agreed to as a result of negotiations.

Penn Power states that copies of the filing were served on the Boroughs as well as the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

Comment date: March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

8. Baltimore Gas and Electric Company

[Docket No. ER97-1902-000]

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (BGE), filed Service Agreements with: Virginia Electric and Power Company, dated January 30, 1997; EnerZ Corporation, dated January 31, 1997; and South Carolina Electric & Gas Company, dated January 28, 1997 under BGE's FERC Electric Tariff Original Volume No. 3 (Tariff). Under the tendered Service Agreements, BGE agrees to provide services to the parties to the Service Agreements under the provisions of the Tariff. BGE requests an effective date of January 30, 1997 for the Service Agreements. BGE states that a copy of the filing was served upon the Public Service Commission of Maryland.

Comment date: March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

9. Rayburn Country Electric Cooperative, Inc.

[Docket No. ER97-1903-000]

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, Rayburn Country Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Rayburn Electric), tendered an initial rate filing pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act and Section 35.12 of the Regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC, or Commission). Rayburn Electric requests that the Commission approve the initial rate filing associated with its Transmission and Interconnection Agreement (Agreement) between Rayburn Electric, East Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. (ETEC) and Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) (collectively, the Parties).

Rayburn indicates that under the Agreement, ETEC and SWEPCO seek to interconnect with Rayburn Electric's facilities to enable power and energy from SWEPCO to be transmitted over the Jacksonville to Overton Transmission Line to ETEC. Rayburn states that the Agreement reflects a desire on the part of ETEC to reserve capacity and utilize Rayburn Electric's transmission facilities for the benefit of its customers, through the interconnection of ETEC's facilities with Rayburn Electric's 138 Kv transmission line.

The filing indicates that Rayburn Electric will provide firm transmission service for ETEC's purchases of power from SWEPCO under the SWEPCO/ETEC Power Supply Agreement. In exchange for providing the facilities to enable ETEC to interconnect with SWEPCO at multiple sources, Rayburn states that it will receive a facilities

charge from ETEC based on one-half of the carrying charges for the Jacksonville to Overton section of Rayburn's transmission line.

Rayburn Electric has served copies of this filing on each of the parties to the Agreement, its member/customers and the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

Comment date: March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

10. Southwestern Public Service Company

[Docket No. ER97-1904-000]

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, Southwestern Public Service Company (Southwestern), submitted an executed service agreement under its open access transmission tariff with Central Louisiana Electric Company, Inc. The service agreement is for umbrella non-firm transmission service.

Comment date: March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

11. Pacific Northwest Generating Cooperative

[Docket No. ER97-1905-000]

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, Pacific Northwest Generating Cooperative (PNGC), filed a service agreement for a short-term power sale transaction with LG&E Power Marketing, Inc. The service agreement incorporated terms and conditions of the Western Systems Power Pool Agreement and the sales were made on price terms conforming to PNGC's Rate Schedule FERC No. 3 (market-based rate schedule).

Comment date: March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

12. Southern California Edison Company

[Docket No. ER97-1906-000]

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, Southern California Edison Company (Edison), tendered for filing the following agreements (Agreements) and amendments (Amendments) to agreements to the 1990 Integrated Operations Agreement (1990 IOA) with the City of Banning (Banning), FERC Rate Schedule No. 248:

Amendment No. 1 To Supplemental Agreement Between Southern California Edison Company And The City of Banning For The Integration Of The Azusa, Banning, Colton—40 MW Pasadena Power Sales Agreement
Edison-Banning, 1997 Pasadena PSA, Firm Transmission Service Agreement I, Between, Southern California Edison Company, And The, City of Banning Edison-Banning, 1997 Pasadena PSA, Firm Transmission Service Agreement II,

Between, Southern California Edison Company, And The, City Of Banning
Amendment No. 1 To The 1995 Supplemental Agreement Between Southern California Edison Company And The City Of Banning For The Integration Of City's Entitlement In San Juan Unit 3
Amendment No. 1 To The Edison-Banning 1995 San Juan Unit 3 Firm Transmission Service Agreement Between Southern California Edison Company And The City Of Banning

Termination Of The Edison-Banning Pasadena Firm Transmission Service Agreement Between Southern California Edison Company And The City Of Banning

Edison and Banning entered into the Agreements and Amendments to accommodate changes made in the Pasadena Power Sale Agreement between Banning and the City of Pasadena in consideration for Banning's executing the 1997 Settlement Agreement filed in Docket No. ER97-1480-000. Edison requests waiver of the Commission's 60-day notice requirement and effective dates of March 1, 1997, with the exception of the Edison-Banning 1997 Pasadena PSA Firm Transmission Service Agreement II, which Edison requests to become effective on May 1, 1997.

Copies of this filing were served upon the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California and all interested parties.

Comment date: March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

13. Entergy Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER97-1907-000]

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, Entergy Services, Inc. (Entergy Services), on behalf of Entergy Arkansas, Inc. (EAI) (formerly Arkansas Power & Light Company), tendered for filing a 1997 Wholesale Formula Rate Update (Update) in accordance with the Power Coordination, Interchange and Transmission Service Agreements between EAI and Conway, West Memphis and Osceola, Arkansas (Arkansas Cities); Campbell and Thayer, Missouri (Missouri Cities), and Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation (AECC); the Transmission Service Agreement between EAI and the Louisiana Energy and Power Authority (LEPA); the Transmission Service Agreement between EAI and the City of Hope, Arkansas (Hope); and the Hydroelectric Power Transmission and Distribution Service Agreement between EAI and the City of North Little Rock, Arkansas (North Little Rock). Entergy Services states that the Update redetermines the formula rate charges and Transmission Loss Factor in accordance with: (1) the above

agreements, (2) the 1994 Joint Stipulation between EAI and AECC accepted by the Commission in Docket No. ER95-49-000, as revised by the 24th Amendment to the AECC Agreement accepted by the Commission on March 26, 1996 in Docket No. ER96-1116-000, (3) the formula rate revisions accepted by the Commission on February 21, 1995 in Docket No. ER95-363-000 as applicable to the Arkansas Cities, Missouri Cities, Hope and North Little Rock and (4) the formula rate revisions as applicable to LEPA accepted by the Commission on January 10, 1997 in Docket No. ER97-257-000.

Comment date: March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

14. Delmarva Power & Light Company

[Docket No. ER97-1908-000]

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, Delmarva Power & Light Company (Delmarva), tendered for filing a Notice of Cancellation of its open-access transmission tariff filed in Docket No. OA96-165-000. Delmarva requests waiver of the 60-day notice period to permit the filing to become effective at the same time the Commission allows the tariff filed by the Pennsylvania-New Jersey-Maryland Interconnection (PJM) to become effective. Delmarva states that the PJM tariff supersedes the Delmarva tariff.

Comment date: March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

15. Public Service Electric and Gas Company

[Docket No. ER97-1909-000]

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, Public Service Electric and Gas Company (PSE&G), tendered for filing an agreement to provide non-firm transmission service to USGen Power Services, L.P., pursuant to PSE&G's Open Access Transmission Tariff presently on file with the Commission in Docket No. OA96-80-000.

PSE&G further requests waiver of the Commission's Regulations such that the agreement can be made effective as of February 10, 1997.

Comment date: March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

16. Public Service Electric and Gas Company

[Docket No. ER97-1910-000]

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, Public Service Electric and Gas Company (PSE&G), tendered for filing an agreement to provide non-firm transmission service to Atlantic City

Electric Company, pursuant to PSE&G's Open Access Transmission Tariff presently on file with the Commission in Docket No. OA96-80-000.

This agreement supersedes PSE&G's existing non-firm transmission agreements with Atlantic City Electric Company currently on file with the Commission (Rate Schedule FERC Nos. 115 and 116).

PSE&G further requests waiver of the Commission's Regulations such that the agreement can be made effective as of January 31, 1997.

Comment date: March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

17. Pacific Northwest Generating Cooperative

[Docket No. ER97-1911-000]

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, Pacific Northwest Generating Cooperative (PNGC), submitted a request the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission requesting approval by the Commission of its membership in the Western Systems Power Pool (WSPP). PNGC requests that the Commission amend the WSPP Agreement to include it as a member.

PNGC requests an effective date of February 14, 1997, for the proposed amendment. PNGC requests waiver of the Commission's notice requirements for good cause shown.

Copies of the filing were served upon the WSPP Executive Committee and the WSPP Operating Committee.

Comment date: March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

18. Cinergy Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER97-1912-000]

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, Cinergy Services, Inc. (Cinergy), tendered for filing a service agreement under Cinergy's Open Access Transmission Service Tariff (the Tariff) entered into between Cinergy and Central Illinois Public Service.

Cinergy and Central Illinois Public Service are requesting an effective date of March 1, 1997.

Comment date: March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

19. Central Power and Light Company, West Texas Utilities Company, Public Service Co. of Oklahoma, Southwestern Electric Power Co.

[Docket No. ER97-2043-000]

Take notice that on January 31, 1997, Central Power and Light Company, West Texas Utilities Company, Public Service Company of Oklahoma and

Southwestern Electric Power Company (collectively, the CSW Operating Companies) tendered for filing revised pages to their Open Access Transmission Service Tariff accepted for filing to become effective as of January 1, 1997 in Docket No. OA97-24-000 (Tariff). Among other things, the revised pages correct an error in the pages filed in Docket No. OA97-24-000. The CSW Operating Companies have requested an effective date of January 1, 1997 for the revised tariff pages.

The CSW Operating Companies state that a copy of the revised tariff pages have been served on all customers under the Tariff as well as on the Public Utility Commission of Texas, the Arkansas Public Service Commission, the Louisiana Public Service Commission and the Oklahoma Corporation Commission.

Comment date: March 24, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

20. Maine Public Service Company

[Docket No. OA96-122-002]

Take notice that on February 24, 1997, Maine Public Service Company (MPS) tendered for filing pursuant to the Commission's February 7, 1997 order, 78 FERC ¶ 61,113 (1997), superseding revised tariff sheets to its Open Access Transmission Tariff filed on November 27, 1996.

Comment date: March 27, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

21. The Washington Water Power Company

[Docket No. OA96-162-001]

Take notice that on February 20, 1997, The Washington Water Power Company (WWP), pursuant to the Commission's Order issued November 13, 1996, tendered for filing with the Commission a revised Open Access Transmission Tariff—FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 8.

Pursuant to the Commission's prior Order, the revised Tariff became effective on November 13, 1996.

Comment date: March 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

22. Entergy Services, Inc.

[Docket No. OA97-528-000]

Take notice that on February 14, 1997, Entergy Services, Inc. (Entergy Services) submitted for filing the FERC Order No. 888 Compliance Amendment to the Power Interconnection Agreement between Entergy Gulf States, Inc. (formerly Gulf States Utilities Company) and the Louisiana Energy and Power

Authority. Entergy Services requests that the FERC Order No. 888 Compliance Amendment become effective the later of January 1, 1997 or the date upon which the Commission permits said amendment to become effective.

Comment date: March 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

23. Ohio Edison Company, Pennsylvania Power Company

[Docket No. OA97-552-000]

Take notice that on February 21, 1997, Ohio Edison Company tendered for filing on behalf of itself and Pennsylvania Power Company, a Supplement to the rate schedule to the Agreement for System Power Transactions with Cinergy Services, Inc. This filing is made pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act.

Comment date: March 20, 1997, 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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[Project No. 11475-000-NY/VT]

Central Vermont Public Service Corporation; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

March 13, 1997.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission's) regulations, 18 CFR Part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Hydropower Licensing has reviewed the Central Vermont Public Service

Corporation's application for an original license to continue operating the existing, unlicensed Carver Falls Hydropower Project, located on the Poultry River in the town of Hampton, Washington County, New York, and the town of West Haven, Rutland County, Vermont. Subsequently, the Commission's staff prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA).

In the EA, staff evaluates the potential environmental impacts that would result from the continued operation of the project. Staff concludes that licensing the project with appropriate enhancement measures would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

Copies of the EA are available for review in the Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, Room 2A, of the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

For further information, please contact Jim Haimes, Environmental Coordinator, at (202) 219-2780.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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[Project No. 11478-000-VT]

Central Vermont Public Service Corporation; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

March 13, 1997.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission's) regulations, 18 CFR Part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 F.R. 47897), the Office of Hydropower Licensing has reviewed the Central Vermont Public Service Corporation's application for an original license to continue operating the existing, unlicensed Silver Lake Hydropower Project, located on Sucker Brook in Addison County, Vermont. Subsequently, the Commission's staff prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA).

In the EA, staff evaluates the potential environmental impacts that would result from the continued operation of the project. Staff concludes that licensing the project with appropriate enhancement measures would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

Copies of the EA are available for review in the Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, Room 2A, of the

Commission's offices at 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426.

For further information, please contact Jim Haimes, Environmental Coordinator, at (202) 219-2780.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.

Acting Secretary.

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[Project No. 11243-002]

Whitewater Engineering Corporation; Notice of Application and Draft Environmental Assessment Accepted for Filing and Notice Requesting Interventions and Protests

March 13, 1997.

Whitewater Engineering Corporation (Whitewater) has submitted an application for a major license for the proposed Power Creek Hydroelectric Project, located near Cordova, Alaska. Except for the transmission line, the proposed project would be located on lands owned by the Eyak Corporation, a native corporation. The transmission line would be located on lands owned by the State of Alaska and the City of Cordova.

The proposed run-of-river project would consist of: (1) A 20-foot-high concrete and earthfill diversion structure on Power Creek; (2) a 5,900-foot-long tunnel and pipeline system; (3) a powerhouse containing three generating units with a total installed capacity of 6 megawatts; (4) a tailrace returning water to Power Creek; (5) a 7.2-mile-long underground transmission line; (6) 2.5 miles of access roads; and (7) appurtenant facilities.

The purpose of this notice is to: (1) Update interested parties on the Power Creek Project application process status; (2) inform all interested parties that the Power Creek applicant-prepared environmental assessment (EA) and final license application filed with the Commission on January 6, 1997, are hereby accepted; and (3) invited interventions and protests.

Applicant Prepared EA Process and Power Creek Project Schedule

The Energy Policy Act of 1992 (Act) gives the Commission the authority to allow the filing of an applicant prepared EA with a license application. The Act also directs the Commission to institute procedures, including pre-application consultations, to advise applicants of studies or other information that may be required by the Commission.

On January 25, 1996, the Director, Office of Hydropower Licensing, waived or amended certain of the Commission's