

Wednesday, July 16, 1997, at 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, August 13, 1997, at 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 27, 1997, at 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 24, 1997, at 2:00 p.m.

The meetings will be held in Room 246, Department of Veterans Affairs Central Office, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420.

The Committee's purpose is to advise the Under Secretary for Health on the development and authorization of wage schedules for Federal Wage System (blue-collar) employees.

At these meetings the Committee will consider wage survey specifications, wage survey data, local committee reports and recommendations, statistical analyses, and proposed wage schedules.

All portions of the meetings will be closed to the public because the matters considered are related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of the Department of Veterans Affairs and because the wage survey data considered by the Committee have been obtained from officials of private business establishments with a guarantee that the data will be held in confidence. Closure of the meeting is in accordance with subsection 10(d) of Pub. L. 92-463, as amended by Pub. L. 94-409, and as cited in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) (2) and (4).

However, members of the public are invited to submit material in writing to the Chairperson for the Committee's attention.

Additional information concerning these meetings may be obtained from the Chairperson, VA Wage Committee (05), 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420.

Dated: June 23, 1997.

By Direction of the Secretary:

Heyward Bannister,

Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. GT97-28-000]

Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Refund Report

June 23, 1997.

Take notice that on May 20, 1997, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) filed a report reflecting the flow through of refunds received from CNG Transmission Corporation (CNG).

On May 14, 1997, in accordance with Section 4 of its Rate Schedule LSS, Transco states that it refunded to its LSS customers \$39,091.00 resulting from the final resolution of CNG's Docket No. RP88-217 Take-or-Pay Refund. The refund covers the period from April 1992 to June 1992.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rule 211 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). All such protests should be filed on or before June 30, 1997. 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. 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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-580-000]

Williams Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

June 23, 1997.

Take notice that on June 13, 1997, Williams Natural Gas Company (WNG), P.O. Box 3288, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101, filed in Docket No. CP97-580-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.212 and 216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 212 and 216) for authorization to replace an existing meter settings with a larger setting in the same location under WNG's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-479-000 pursuant to Section 7 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.

Specifically, WNG proposes to abandon by reclaim the WRI 45th & Woodlawn single 4-inch orifice meter setting and replace it with a dual 4-inch orifice meter setting at the same location in Sedgwick County, Kansas. WNG states that replacing the meter setting will allow for more accurate measurement as well as provide for additional volumes to be delivered to

WRI without detriment or disadvantage to its other customers. WNG will replace the orifice meter setting at an estimated cost of \$33,361.

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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-582-000]

Williams Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

June 23, 1997.

Take notice that on June 16, 1997, Williams Natural Gas Company (WNG), P.O. Box 3288, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101, filed in the above docket, a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212(a) of the Commission's Regulations, for authorization to utilize facilities originally installed for the delivery of NGPA Section 311 transportation gas to Central Feeders, Inc. (Central Feeders) in Rice County, Kansas, for purposes other than NGPA Section 311 transportation, under the authorization issued in Docket No. CP82-479-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request which is filed with the Commission and open to public inspection.

WNG states that this change is not prohibited by an existing tariff and that it has sufficient capacity to accomplish the deliveries specified without detriment or disadvantage to its other customers. WNG states that the cost to construct the facilities is \$12,060, which was reimbursed by Central Feeders.

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 Rules of Practice and Procedure (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 is deemed to be authorized effective on 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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-589-000]

Williams Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

June 23, 1997.

Take notice that on June 17, 1997, Williams Natural Gas Company (WNG), P.O. Box 3288, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101, filed in Docket No. CP97-589-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 157.205, 157.212) under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for authorization to operate existing delivery point facilities constructed under the authorization of Section 311 of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA) in Western Resources, Inc. (WRI) in Cherokee County, Kansas, for Part 284 transportation services by WNG, under WNG's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-479-000, pursuant to Section 7 of the NGA, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

WNG proposes to operate the existing 2-inch tap, meter and appurtenant facilities to serve a turkey feed mill. It is stated that WNG was fully reimbursed for the \$46,000 cost of installing the tap by WRI. It is estimated that the average peak day and annual requirements for this delivery point are 336 dt equivalent and 122,640 dt equivalent, respectively. It is asserted that the volume of gas

delivered to WRI after the request will not exceed the volume of gas authorized prior to the request. It is further asserted that the proposal is not prohibited by WNG's existing tariff and that WNG has sufficient capacity to accomplish the deliveries without detriment or disadvantage to its other customers.

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 not 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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP97-168-000 and CP97-169-000]

Alliance Pipeline L.P.; Notice of Environmental Site Visit for the Proposed Alliance Pipeline Project

June 23, 1997.

On July 7 through July 11, the staff of the Office of Pipeline Regulation will conduct a helicopter overflight of the proposed Alliance Pipeline Project facilities and alternatives. In addition, there will be limited site visits, as time permits, to the locations of proposed facilities in Will and Grundy Counties, Illinois.

Anyone interested in participating in the site visits may contact Mr. Paul McKee in the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (202) 208-1088 for more details and must provide their own transportation.

Kevin P. Madden,

Director, Office of Pipeline Regulation.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2666-007]

Bangor Hydroelectric Company; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment and Notice of Solicitation of Written Scoping Comments

June 23, 1997.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) has received an application from the Bangor Hydroelectric Company (Bangor Hydro) to relicense the Medway Hydroelectric Project No. 2666-007. The 3.44-megawatt project is located on the West Branch of the Penobscot River in the town of Medway, Penobscot County, Maine.

The Commission intends to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act.

In the EA, we will consider reasonable alternatives to the project as proposed by Bangor Hydro, and analyze both site-specific and cumulative environmental impacts on the project, as well as, economic and engineering impacts.

The draft EA will be issued and circulated to those on the mailing list for this project. All comments filed on the draft EA will be analyzed by the staff and considered in a final EA. The staff's conclusions and recommendations presented in the final EA will then be presented to the Commission to assist in making a licensing decision.

Scoping

We are asking agencies, Indian tribes, non-governmental organizations, and individuals to help us identify the scope of environmental issues that should be analyzed in the EA, and to provide us with information that may be useful in preparing the EA.

To help focus comments on the environmental issues, a scoping document outlining subject areas to be addressed in the EA will soon be mailed to those on the mailing list for the project. Those not on the mailing list may request a copy of the scoping document from the environmental coordinator, whose telephone number is listed below.

Those with comments or information pertaining to this project should file it with the Commission at the following address: Lois Cashell, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.