

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****[Docket No. RP97-105-004]****Nora Transmission Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff**

July 2, 1997.

Take notice that on June 30, 1997, Nora Transmission Company, (Nora) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheets to become effective August 1, 1997:

Second Revised Sheet No. 164
Second Revised Sheet No. 165

Nora states that the purpose of this filing is to comply with the Commission's June 19, 1997 letter order in the captioned docket, and to implement the Internet Web Page standards which were adopted in Order No. 587-C.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such 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. 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. CP97-598-000]****Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Application**

July 2, 1997.

Take notice that on June 20, 1997, as supplemented on June 30, 1997, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), P.O. Box 3330, Omaha, Nebraska 68103-0330, filed in Docket No. CP97-598-000 an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's

Regulations for permission and approval to abandon in place the Gaines Co. #3 compressor station (Gaines Co. #3) located in Gaines County, Texas, consisting of one single-staged 172 horsepower unit, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Northern states that the Gaines Co. #3 was authorized pursuant to budget authorization in Docket No. CP81-33-001. The Gaines Co. #3 was originally constructed to effectuate delivery of volumes to support Northern's merchant function from gas fields connected upstream of the compressor. According to Northern, on or about March 27, 1997, the Gaines Co. #3 began experiencing mechanical problems which rendered the unit inoperable. Northern states that it does not have any firm contracts with the Gaines Co. #3 as a primary receipt point. Northern contends that the revenues generated by interruptible transportation service does not economically justify the cost to repair the unit. Northern asserts that Highlands Gathering and Processing Company (Highlands), the owner of the upstream gathering system connected to the Gaines Co. #3 agrees that the proposed abandonment result in the best economic solution, and has installed compression to enable the natural gas volumes connected to its gathering system to enter Northern's transmission system. Northern notes that the operating conditions have changed since it initially installed its Gaines Co. #3 resulting in the need for two stages of compression versus Northern's single staged unit to most efficiently produce the gas volumes.

Northern proposes to abandon the station in-place. However, Northern states that it intends to utilize parts from this unit in the future at other locations on its system as the need may arise. Additionally, Northern notes in a footnote that the unit or parts of the unit proposed to be abandoned may be salvaged rather than utilized elsewhere on Northern's pipeline system. Northern contends that at the time the unit is utilized it will seek any required Commission authority in order to install and operate the compressor facilities at a new location, as applicable. Northern states that all gas and service piping to the unit will be disconnected and sealed off either by the installation of blind flanges or weld caps. Northern states that it will continue to utilize the dehydration equipment, tanks, and other appurtenant valves and piping located in the plant yard for the continued operation of its pipeline facilities located downstream of the

compressor station proposed for abandonment.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before July 23, 1997, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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 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 the subject to the 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 application if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that permission and approval for the proposed abandonment are required by the public convenience or 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 Northern to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Lois D. Cashell,*Secretary.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****[Docket No. CP97-585-000]****Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization**

July 2, 1997.

Take notice that on June 16, 1997, as supplemented on June 30, 1997, Northern Natural Gas Company

(Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska, 68124-1000, filed in Docket No. CP97-585-000 a request pursuant to Section 157.205, and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, and 157.212) for approval to install and operate a new delivery point to accommodate natural gas deliveries by other shippers for delivery to the proposed NitroTec Energy Corporation (NitroTec) delivery point, located in Gaines County, Texas under Northern's blanket certificate authority issued in Docket No. CP82-401-000, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Northern proposes to install and operate the proposed delivery point to accommodate natural gas deliveries to NitroTec under Northern's currently effective ITS throughput service agreement. Northern asserts that NitroTec has requested the proposed delivery point to provide fuel for its plant. Northern further asserts that the estimated volumes proposed to be delivered to NitroTec at the delivery point are 1,000 MMBtu on a peak day and 50,000 MMBtu on an annual basis. Northern indicates that the estimated cost to install the delivery point is \$20,450 for which NitroTec will reimburse Northern.

Any person or the Commission's Staff may, within 45 days of the issuance of the intent 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 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 activities 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 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. CP97-607-000]

Northern Natural Gas Company Corporation; Notice of Application for Abandonment

July 2, 1997.

Take notice that on June 26, 1997, and amended on July 2, 1997, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, filed, in Docket No. CP97-607-000, an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations for an order permitting and approving the abandonment of 600 feet of 20-inch pipeline located in Moore County, Texas, as more fully set forth in the application.

Northern requests authority to abandon and remove approximately 600 feet of 20-inch branchline to the outlet side of the Diamond Shamrock plant, all located in Moore County, Texas.

Northern states that no service will be abandoned as a result of the proposed abandonment since the 20-inch line is completely looped with a parallel 20-inch line with adequate capacity to serve the existing customers. Northern relates that all customers served by the subject facilities have consented to the abandonment.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before July 14, 1997, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 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 in any proceeding herein 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 the jurisdiction conferred upon the 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 application if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission

on its own review of the matter finds that permission and approval for the proposed abandonment are 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 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 Northern to appear or to be represented at the hearing.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. GT97-45-000]

Northwest Pipeline Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff and Filing of Non-Conforming Service Agreements

July 2, 1997.

Take notice that on June 26, 1997, Northwest Pipeline Corporation (Northwest) tendered for filing and acceptance (1) six Rate Schedule TF-1 non-conforming service agreements and (2) the following proposed tariff sheets as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, to become effective on the date established by the Commission, but no later than July 27, 1997:

Fourth Revised Sheet No. 363
Original Sheet No. 364
Sheet Nos. 365 through 374

Northwest states that the six non-conforming service agreements are non-conforming because they contain contract-specific operational flow order (OFO) conditions and/or provisions imposing subordinate primary corridor rights with reservation charge adjustment exemptions. The tariff sheets are submitted to add such agreements to the list of non-conforming service agreements contained in Northwest's tariff.

Any person desiring to be heard or protest this 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 Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed on or before July 9, 1997. Protests will be considered by the Commission