

once conveyed to WGR, are gathering facilities exempt from the Commission's jurisdiction under NGA section 1(b).

WNG states that it will sell the Yellowstone 12-inch lateral to WGR for \$10; however, as additional consideration, WGR will deliver at least 4 Bcf of natural gas over a three year period from the Chaney Dell or Chester Plants to WNG for transportation through the WNG system.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before August 5, 1997, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 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 385.214 or 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 and 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 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 WNG 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. ER97-1655-000, et al.]

#### Nevada Power Company, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

July 14, 1997.

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

##### 1. Nevada Power Company

[Docket No. ER97-1655-000]

Take notice that on July 8, 1997, Nevada Power Company (Nevada Power) tendered for filing a second amendment to its Electric Service Agreement Coordination Tariff (Amendment) having a proposed effective date of March 1, 1997. The Amendment is being made to eliminate the 1 mill/kWh markup on energy charges when Nevada Power's system incremental cost in the hour reflects a purchase power resource. The Amendment also states that a 1.0 to 1.0 return ratio for banked energy will be standard except in situations where on-peak energy is being returned during off-peak periods.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

##### 2. Western Resources, Inc.

[Docket Nos. ER97-2411-001 and ER97-2412-001]

Take notice that on July 9, 1997, Western Resources, Inc. tendered for filing its compliance filing in the above-referenced dockets.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

##### 3. Interstate Power Company

[Docket No. ER97-2870-000]

Take notice that on June 20, 1997, Interstate Power Company tendered for filing an amendment in the above-referenced docket.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

##### 4. Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc.

[Docket Nos. ER97-3307-000 and ER97-3015-000]

Take notice that on June 21, 1997, Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. tendered for filing amendments in the above-referenced dockets.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

##### 5. Northeast Utilities System Companies

[Docket No. ER97-3329-000]

Take notice that on July 2, 1997, New England Power Pool tendered for filing an amendment in the above-referenced docket.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

##### 6. Illinois Power Company

[Docket No. ER97-3441-000]

Take notice that on June 26, 1997, Illinois Power Company (Illinois Power), 500 South 27th Street, Decatur, Illinois 62526, tendered for filing non-firm transmission agreements under which Consumers Power Company dba Consumers Energy Company (Consumers) and The Detroit Edison Company (Edison), which with Consumers shall be referred to collectively as the Michigan Companies will take transmission service pursuant to its open access transmission tariff. The agreements are based on the form of service agreement in Illinois Power's tariff.

Illinois Power has requested an effective date of June 15, 1997.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

##### 7. Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation

[Docket No. ER97-3442-000]

Take notice that on June 26, 1997, Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (RG&E) filed a service agreement between RG&E and the Williams Energy Services Company (Customer). This service agreement specifies that the Customer has agreed to the rates, terms and conditions of RG&E's FERC Electric Rate Schedule, Original Volume 1 (Power Sales Tariff) accepted by the Commission in Docket No. ER94-1279-000, as amended by RG&E's December 31, 1996 filing in Docket No. OA97-243-000 (pending).

RG&E requests waiver of the Commission's sixty (60) day notice requirements and an effective date of June 20, 1997 for the Williams Energy Services Company Service Agreement. RG&E has served copies of the filing on the New York State Public Service Commission and on the Customer.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**8. Allegheny Power Service Corporation, on behalf of Monongahela Power Company, The Potomac Edison Company and West Penn Power Company (Allegheny Power)**

[Docket No. ER97-3443-000]

Take notice that on June 26, 1997, Allegheny Power Service Corporation on behalf of Monongahela Power Company, The Potomac Edison Company and West Penn Power Company (Allegheny Power) filed Supplement No. 26 to add one (1) new Customer to the Standard Generation Service Rate Schedule under which Allegheny Power offers standard generation and emergency service on an hourly, daily, weekly, monthly or yearly basis. Allegheny Power requests a waiver of notice requirements to make service available as of June 25, 1997, to Detroit Edison Company.

Copies of the filing have been provided to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, the Maryland Public Service Commission, the Virginia State Corporation Commission, the West Virginia Public Service Commission, and all parties of record.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**9. Commonwealth Electric Company**

[Docket No. ER97-3444-000]

Take notice that on June 26, 1997, Commonwealth Electric Company (Commonwealth), tendered for filing a non-firm point-to-point transmission service agreement between Commonwealth and the participants of the New England Power Pool (NEPOOL Participants). Commonwealth states that the service agreement sets out the transmission arrangements under which Commonwealth will provide non-firm point-to-point transmission service to the NEPOOL Participants during the summer of 1997 under Commonwealth's open access transmission tariff accepted for filing in Docket No. ER97-1341-000, subject to refund and issuance of further orders.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**10. Allegheny Power Service Corporation, on behalf of Monongahela Power Company, The Potomac Edison Company, and West Penn Power Company (Allegheny Power)**

[Docket No. ER97-3445-000]

Take notice that on June 26, 1997, Allegheny Power Service Corporation on behalf of Monongahela Power

Company, The Potomac Edison Company and West Penn Power Company (Allegheny Power), filed Supplement No. 20 to add Detroit Edison Company and ProMark Energy to Allegheny Power Open Access Transmission Service Tariff which has been submitted for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in Docket No. OA96-18-000. The proposed effective date under the Service Agreements is June 25, 1997.

Copies of the filing have been provided to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, the Maryland Public Service Commission, the Virginia State Corporation Commission, the West Virginia Public Service Commission.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**11. Pacific Gas and Electric Company**

[Docket No. ER97-3446-000]

Take notice that on June 26, 1997, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), tendered for filing a service agreement between PG&E and Equitable Power Service Co. (Equitable) entitled, Service Agreement for Non-Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service (Service Agreement).

PG&E proposes that the Service Agreement become effective on June 16, 1997. PG&E is requesting any necessary waivers.

Copies of this filing have been served upon the California Public Utilities Commission and Equitable.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**12. Northeast Utilities Service Company**

[Docket No. ER97-3447-000]

Take notice that on June 26, 1997, Northeast Utilities Service Company (NUSCO), on behalf of Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH), tendered for filing proposed changes to PSNH Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Rate Schedule No. 135, pursuant to 205 of the Federal Power Act and 35.13 of the Commission's Regulations. The rate schedule change amends the rate structure, terms and conditions for wholesale sales to the Town of Wolfeboro Municipal Light Department. The rate schedule change results in a rate decrease and is being made at the request of the customer. NUSCO requests that the rate schedule change become effective on July 1, 1997.

NUSCO states that a copy of this filing has been mailed to The Town of Wolfeboro and the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**13. San Diego Gas & Electric Company**

[Docket No. ER97-3448-000]

Take notice that on June 26, 1997, San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E), tendered for filing and acceptance, pursuant to 18 CFR 35.12, an Interchange Agreement (Agreement) between SDG&E and Equitable Power Services Company (EPSC).

SDG&E requests that the Commission allow the Agreement to become effective on the 15th day of August 1997 or at the earliest possible date.

Copies of this filing were served upon the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California and EPSC.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**14. Arizona Public Service Company**

[Docket No. ER97-3449-000]

Take notice that on June 26, 1997, Arizona Public Service Company (APS), tendered for filing a service agreement to provide Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service under APS' Open Access Transmission Tariff with Imperial Irrigation District (IID).

A copy of this filing has been served on IID and the Arizona Corporation Commission.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**15. Entergy Services, Inc.**

[Docket No. ER97-3450-000]

Take notice that on June 26, 1997, Entergy Services, Inc. (Entergy Services), on behalf of Entergy Arkansas, Inc., Entergy Gulf States, Inc., Entergy Louisiana, Inc., Entergy Mississippi, Inc., and Entergy New Orleans, Inc. (collectively, the Entergy Operating Companies), tendered for filing a Non-Firm Point-To-Point Transmission Service Agreement between Entergy Services, as agent for the Entergy Operating Companies, and Pan Energy Power Services, Inc.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**16. Dayton Power and Light Company**

[Docket No. ER97-3451-000]

Take notice that on June 26, 1997, Dayton Power and Light Company (DP&L), tendered for filing an amendment to the above referenced docket.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**17. Public Service Company of New Mexico**

[Docket No. ER97-3452-000]

Take notice that on June 26, 1997, Public Service Company of New Mexico (PNM), submitted for filing executed service agreements for non-firm point-to-point transmission service under the terms of PNM's Open Access Transmission Service Tariff with the following transmission service customers: Cenerprise, Inc., e prime, Inc., and PECO Energy Company—Power Team. PNM's filing is available for public inspection at its offices in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**18. Northeast Utilities Service Company**

[Docket No. ER97-3453-000]

Take notice that on June 27, 1997, Northeast Utilities Service Company (NUSCO), tendered for filing a Service Agreement with AllEnergy Marketing Co., L.L.C. (AllEnergy) under the NU System Companies' System Power Sales/Exchange Tariff No. 6.

NUSCO states that a copy of this filing has been mailed to AllEnergy.

NUSCO requests that the Service Agreement become effective July 1, 1997.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**19. New York State Electric & Gas Corporation**

[Docket No. ER97-3454-000]

Take notice that on June 27, 1997, New York State Electric & Gas Corporation (NYSEG), tendered for filing pursuant to Part 35 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR Part 35, service agreements under which NYSEG will provide capacity and/or energy to:

- Boston Edison Company (Boston)
- CNG Power Services Corporation (CNG),
- Enron Power Marketing, Inc. (Enron),
- PECO Energy Company—Power Team (PECO),
- Vermont Public Power Supply Authority (VPPSA), and
- Williams Energy Services Company (Williams),

(collectively, the Purchasers) in accordance with NYSEG's market-based power sales tariff.

NYSEG has requested waiver of the notice requirements so that the service agreements with PECO and Enron

become effective as of June 11, 1997, and the service agreements with Boston, CNG, VPPSA, and Williams become effective as of June 28, 1997.

NYSEG served copies of the filing upon the Purchasers and the New York State Public Service Commission.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**20. Central Illinois Light Company**

[Docket No. ER97-3455-000]

Take notice that on June 27, 1997, Central Illinois Light Company (CILCO), 300 Liberty Street, Peoria, Illinois 61202, tendered for filing with the Commission a substitute Index of Customers under its Coordination Sales Tariff and service agreements for two new customers.

CILCO requested an effective date of June 2, 1997.

Copies of the filing were served on all affected customers and the Illinois Commerce Commission.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**21. Florida Power & Light Company**

[Docket No. ER97-3530-000]

Take notice that on June 30, 1997, Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) tendered for filing proposed service agreements with NIPSCO Energy Services, Inc. for Short-Term Firm and Non-Firm transmission service under FPL's Open Access Transmission Tariff.

FPL requests that the proposed service agreements be permitted to become effective on August 1, 1997.

FPL states that this filing is in accordance with Part 35 of the Commission's regulations.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**22. First Power, LLC.**

[Docket No. ER97-3580-000]

Take notice that on July 1, 1997, First Power, LLC (First Power) petitioned the Commission for acceptance of First Power Rate Schedule FERC No. 1; the granting of certain blanket approvals, including the authority to sell electricity at market-based rates; and the waiver of certain Commission regulations.

First Power intends to engage in wholesale electric power and energy purchases and sales as a marketer. First Power is not in the business of generating or transmitting electric power. First Power is not a wholly owned subsidiary and does not have any affiliates.

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**23. William T. Esrey**

[Docket No. ID-3056-000]

Take notice that on July 8, 1997, William T. Esrey filed an application for authorization under Section 305(b) of the Federal Power Act to hold the following positions:

Director—Duke Energy Corporation  
Director, Chairman, and Chief Executive Officer—Sprint Corporation

Director—Everen Capital Corporation  
Director—The Equitable Companies, Inc.

Director—The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States

*Comment date:* July 28, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**24. Brady Power Partners**

[Docket No. QF92-175-003]

On July 2, 1997, Brady Power Partners (Applicant), 11760 U.S. Highway One, Suite 600, North Palm Beach, Florida 33408, submitted for filing an application for recertification of a facility as a qualifying small power production facility pursuant to Section 292.207(b) of the Commission's Regulations. No determination has been made that the submittal constitutes a complete filing.

According to the Applicant, the facility is a 21.5 MW, geothermal small power production facility located at Brady Hot Springs, near Fernley, Nevada. The Commission previously certified the facility as a qualifying small power production facility in *Brady Power Partners*, 61 FERC ¶ 62,113 (1992). A notice of self-recertification was filed on May 26, 1995. According to the application, the instant recertification is requested to assure that the facility will remain a qualifying facility following an increase in the net electric power production capacity of the facility to 25.89 MW, and a change in the ownership of Brady Power Partners.

*Comment date:* Comments due on or before August 5, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph (E) at the end of this notice.

**25. Missouri Municipal Power Agency v. Western Area Power Administration**

[Docket No. TX97-7-000]

Take notice that on June 18, 1997, Missouri Municipal Power Agency tendered for filing additional information to its June 10, 1997 filing filed in this docket.

*Comment date:* July 28, 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.

**Lois D. Cashell,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project Nos. 11516, 11120-002, and 11300—Michigan]

### Commonwealth Power Company; Notice of Intent to Conduct Public Scoping Meetings and Site Visits

July 15, 1997.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or the Commission) will hold public and agency scoping meetings on July 28, 1997, for preparation of a Multiple Project Environmental Assessment (MPEA) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for the issuance of original licenses for the Irving, Middleville, and LaBarge Project Nos. 11516, 11120-002, and 11300. The three projects are located on the Thornapple River in Barry and Kent Counties, Michigan.

#### Scoping Meetings

FERC staff will conduct one agency scoping meeting and one public meeting. The agency scoping meeting will focus on resource agency and non-governmental organization (NGO) concerns while the public scoping meetings are primarily for public input. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend one or both of the meetings,

and assist the staff in identifying the scope of the environmental issues that should be analyzed in the MPEA. The times and locations of these meetings are as follows:

Agency Scoping Meeting, Tuesday, July 29, 1997, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., Caledonia Township Hall, 250 Maple Street, Caledonia, MI 49316.

Public Scoping Meeting, Tuesday, July 29, 1997, 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Caledonia Township Hall, 250 Maple Street, Caledonia, MI 49316.

To help focus discussions, a scoping document (Revised Scoping Document 1—including all three projects) outlining subject areas to be addressed at the meeting will be distributed by mail to the parties on the FERC mailing list. Copies of the Revised Scoping Document 1 will also be available at the scoping meetings.

#### Site Visits

Site visits will be held at the three projects; anyone with questions regarding the site visits should contact the appropriate contact person below. All participants must furnish their own transportation. The date and time of the site visits are as follows:

Date/time	Projects	Contact
Monday, July 28, 1997, 1:00 p.m.	Irving, Middleville, and LaBarge.	Bob Evans, Commonwealth Power (517) 676-0700.

All participants should meet at the Caledonia Township Hall, 250 Maple Street, Caledonia, Michigan, 49316.

#### Objectives

At the scoping meetings, the staff will: (1) Summarize the environmental issues tentatively identified for analysis in the planned MPEA; (2) solicit from the meeting participants all available information, especially quantifiable data, on the resources at issue; (3) encourage statements from experts and the public on issues that should be analyzed in the MPEA, including viewpoints in opposition to, or in support of, the staff's preliminary views; (4) determine the relative depth of analysis for issues to be addressed in the MPEA; and (5) identify resource issues that are of lesser importance, and, therefore, do not require detailed analysis.

#### Procedures

The meetings will be recorded by a stenographer and will become part of the formal records of the Commission proceeding on the projects under

consideration. Individuals presenting statements at the meetings will be asked to sign in before the meeting starts and to clearly identify themselves for the record. Speaking time for attendees at the evening meetings will be determined before the meeting, based on the number of persons wishing to speak and the approximate amount of time available for the session. All speakers will be provided at least 5 minutes to present their views.

Individuals, corporations, and agencies with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the meetings and to assist the staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in the MPEA.

Persons choosing not to speak at the meetings, but who have views on the issues, may submit written statements for inclusion in the public record at the meeting. In addition, written scoping comments may be filed with the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426. All such filings should conform with the requirements outlined in detail in Revised Scoping Document 1.

For further information, please contact Sue Cielinski at (202) 219-2942.

**Lois D. Cashell,**  
*Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-140261; FRL-5730-8]

### Access to Confidential Business Information by Midwest Research Institute

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA has authorized its contractor, Midwest Research Institute, 425 Volker Boulevard, Kansas City, Missouri, for access to information which has been submitted to EPA under sections 4, 5, 6, and 8 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be confidential business information (CBI).

**DATES:** Access to the confidential data submitted to EPA will occur no sooner than August 5, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Susan Hazen, Director, Environmental Assistance Division (7408), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, Rm.