

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[FERC-549]

Proposed Information Collection and Request for Comments

September 26, 1997.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(a) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described below.

DATES: Consideration will be given to comments submitted on or before December 1, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained from and written comments may be submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Attn: Michael Miller, Information Services Division, ED-12.4, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208-1415, by fax at (202) 273-0873, and by e-mail at mmiller@ferc.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The information collected under the requirements of FERC-549 "Gas Pipeline Rates: Natural Gas Policy Act, Title III Transactions and Natural Gas Act Blanket Certificates Transactions" (OMB No. 1902-0086) is used by the Commission to implement the statutory provisions of the Sections 311 and 312 of the Natural Gas Policy Act (NGPA) (15 U.S.C. 3371-3372), and Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (15 U.S.C. 717-717w). Under Part 284 of the Commission's regulations non-interstate

pipelines that perform transportation service under NGPA Section 311 (intrastate pipelines) or blanket certificates issued under section 7 of the NGA (Hinshaw pipelines) are required to file an annual report containing specific details of each transaction initiated during the reporting year. Interstate pipelines performing unbundled sales service under a blanket certificate granted under Part 284 of the regulations are required to file an annual report detailing specific information for each transaction initiated during the reporting year. The Commission uses the information collected in these reports to monitor the jurisdictional transportation activities of interstate pipelines and the unbundled sales activities of interstate pipelines.

Action: The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current expiration date, with no changes to the existing collection of data.

Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated as:

Number of respondents annually	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total annual burden hours
(1)	(2)	(3)	(1)×(2)×(3)
90	1.0	8.83	795

The estimated total cost to respondents is \$41,902, (795 hours divided by 2,087 hours per year per employee times \$110,000 per year per average employee=\$41,902). The cost per respondent is \$466.

The reporting burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide the information including: (1) Reviewing instructions; (2) developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

The estimate of cost for respondents is based upon salaries for professional and clerical support, as well as direct and indirect overhead costs. Direct costs include all costs directly attributable to providing this information, such as administrative costs and the cost for information technology. Indirect or

overhead costs are costs incurred by an organization in support of its mission. These costs apply to activities which benefit the whole organization rather than any one particular function or activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology e.g. permitting electronic submission of responses.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. ER97-3765-000]

Allegheny Power Service Corporation, on Behalf of Monongahela Power Company, the Potomac Edison Company, and West Penn Power Company (Allegheny Power); Notice of Filing

September 26, 1997.

Take notice that on September 4, 1997, Allegheny Power Service Corporation on behalf of Monongahela Power Company, the Potomac Edison Company, and West Penn Power Company tendered for filing an amendment in the above-referenced docket.

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, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before October 10, 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. 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

[Docket No. ER97-3455-000]

Central Illinois Light Company; Notice of Filing

September 26, 1997.

Take notice that on August 11, 1997, Central Illinois Light Company tendered for filing an amendment in the above-referenced docket.

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, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before October 6, 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. 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

[Docket No. ER97-4381-000]

Eastern Energy Marketing, Inc.; Notice of Filing

September 26, 1997.

Take notice that on August 27, 1997, Eastern Energy Marketing, Inc. (EEM) tendered for filing a petition for waivers and blanket approvals under various regulations of the Commission and for

an order accepting its FERC Electric Rate Schedule No. 1 to be effective no later than October 27, 1997.

EEM intends to engage in electric power and energy transactions as a marketer and broker. In transactions where EEM sells electric energy it proposes to make such sales on rates, terms, and conditions to be mutually agreed to with the purchasing party. EEM is not in the business of generating, transmitting, or distributing electric power.

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, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before October 8, 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. 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

[Docket No. CP97-760-000]

El Paso Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

September 26, 1997.

Take notice that on September 18, 1997, El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso), Post Office Box 1492, El Paso, Texas 79978, filed in Docket No. CP97-760-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.212) for authorization to construct and operate a new delivery point in Reeves County, Texas, to permit the interruptible transportation and delivery of natural gas to Orla Petco, Inc. (Orla)—an independent oil producer. El Paso makes such request under its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-435-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the

Commission and open to public inspection.

El Paso states that Orla currently operates an enhanced oil recovery project in Reeves County, Texas. It is stated that to extract the oil from the field, Orla is injecting CO₂ into the reservoir to increase the reservoir's operating pressure and enhance the production of crude oil. El Paso avers that in order to increase the pressure of the proposed gases (CO₂ and hydrocarbon mix) being re-injected into the reservoir, Orla has acquired a gas compressor that requires pipeline quality supplies of natural gas as fuel.

In support of Orla's continued enhanced oil recovery operations, Orla has requested that El Paso provide transportation service pursuant to a Transportation Service Agreement dated August 21, 1997 for Orla. El Paso states that, by the letter agreement the parties agreed that El Paso would install a new delivery point on El Paso's 6⁵/₈ inch Line from Jal-El Paso Line to Continental Oil Company's Ramsey Plant in Reeves County, Texas. El Paso therefore, states that it is seeking authorization to construct and operate the Orla Petco, Inc. Delivery Point in order to accommodate a request for service by Orla.

El Paso proposed to deliver up to 54,750 Mcf annually or an average of 150 Mcf per day to the Orla Petco, Inc. Delivery Point, stating that the requested volumes will be within Orla's existing entitlements. The estimated construction cost of the proposed facility is \$35,000—and Orla has agreed to reimburse El Paso's cost.

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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