lines 15 through 28). FGT does not believe this deficiency can be ascribed to any "gaming" behavior on the part of shippers, but is instead reflective of the relationship between gas price levels and throughput (and the resulting fuel use) on FGT's system. FGT's fuel reimbursement percentage is based on average fuel usage during prior seasonal periods. Therefore, during periods of relatively high gas prices, the reduced throughput and fuel usage may result in an over recovery of fuel by FGT, which is then valued at the high gas price which led to the reduced throughput and over recovery of fuel. Conversely, low gas prices encourage high throughput and fuel consumption, resulting in under recovered fuel, which is valued at the low gas prices at least partially responsible for increased throughput and under recovery of fuel. FGT believes the significant under recovery of fuel during the production months of December 1999 and January 2000 is attributable to higher than projected throughput as a result of low gas prices relative to alternate fuels. The negative impact of this phenomenon in the annual true-up system balancing costs is directly offset, however, in the calculation of the unit fuel surcharges through which shippers pay lower prices for undercollections by FGT and receive higher prices for overcollections. FGT has discussed this phenomenon with shippers at previous Operating Committee meetings and believe further discussions are warranted in light of the current data.

After further analysis by FGT and further discussions with its shippers of the issues reflected in the results of this Settlement Period, FGT may propose prospective tariff changes at a future time

Copied of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspections.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed in accordance with 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 proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at http:// www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm (call 202-208-2222) for assistance).

Comments and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP96-320-034]

Koch Gateway Pipeline Company; Notice of Negotiated Rate Filing

January 3, 2001.

Take notice that on December 22, 2000, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company ("Koch") filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("Commission") contracts between Koch and the following companies for disclosure of recently negotiated rate transactions. As shown on the contracts, Koch requests an effective date of January 1, 2001.

Special Negotiated Rate Between Koch Gateway Pipeline and Mobile Energy LLC

Koch Gateway Pipeline and Koch Energy Trading Company

Koch states that copies of the filing are being made available for public inspection during regular business hours in Koch's offices in Houston, Texas. In addition, Koch states that it has served copies of this filing upon all parties on the official service list created by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with 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 proceedings. 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 in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/ rims.htm (call 202-208-2222 for

assistance). Comments and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP-177-004]

Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C.; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

January 3, 2001.

Take notice that on December 22, 2000, Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C. ("Maritimes") tendered for filing and acceptance by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("Commission") the following tariff sheet to its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, to become effective on January 1, 2001:

Fifth Revised Sheet No. 9

Maritimes states that it is filing the above tariff sheet to implement two negotiated rate agreements pursuant to Rate Schedule MN365 and Section 24 of the General Terms and Conditions of Maritimes' FERC Gas Tariff.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with 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 proceedings. 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 in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/ rims.htm (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions

on the Commission's web site at http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP96-272-023]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in F.E.R.C. Gas Tariff

January 3, 2001.

Take notice that Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern) on December 22, 2000, tendered for filing to become part of Northern's F.E.R.C. Gas Tariff, Substitute Twelfth Revised Sheet No. 66 proposed to be effective December 12, 2000 and Thirteenth Revised Sheet No. 66 and Fourth Revised Sheet No. 66A proposed to become effective on December 22, 2000:

Fifth Revised Volume No. 1

Substitute Twelfth Revised Sheet No. 66 Thirteenth Revised Sheet No. 66 Fourth Revised Sheet No. 66

The above sheets are being filed to implement specific negotiated rate transactions with Oneok Energy Marketing and Trading Company, Texaco Natural Gas, Inc. and OGE Energy Resources, Inc. in accordance with the Commission's Policy Statement on Alternatives to Traditional Cost-of-Service Ratemaking for Natural Gas Pipelines. In addition, Substitute Twelfth Revised Sheet No. 66 is being filed to reflect changes made to Footnote 7 on Substitute Eleventh Revised Sheet No. 66 filed on December 15, 2000.

Northern further states that copies of the fling have been mailed to each of its customers and interested State Commissions.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with 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 proceedings. 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 in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm (call 202–208–2222 for assistance). Comments and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-162-009]

Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company; Notice of Compliance Filing

January 3, 2001.

Take notice that on December 22, 2000, Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company (Panhandle) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets to be effective May 22, 2000.

Sub Original Sheet No. 119 2nd Sub Original Sheet No. 110

Panhandle assets that the purpose of this filing is to comply with the Commission's Order on Rehearing and Compliance Filing issued on November 24, 2000 in Docket No. RP00–162–005 and RP00–162–006, 93 FERC ¶61,211 (2000), to revise the charge for takes in excess of shipper's hourly delivery quantity under Rate Schedule HFT.

Panhandle states that a copy of this filing is available for public inspection during regular business hours at Panhandle's office at 5444 Westheimer Road, Houston, Texas 77056–5306. In addition, copies of this filing are being served on all affected customers, applicable state regulatory agencies and parties to this proceeding.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with 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 proceedings. 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 in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/ rims.htm (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at http:/ /www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP96-200-062]

Reliant Energy Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

January 3, 2001.

Take notice that on December 21, 2000, Reliant Energy Gas Transmission Company (REGT) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets to be effective January 1, 2001:

Second Revised Sheet No. 8K Original Sheet No. 8K.01

REGT states that the purpose of this filing is to reflect the addition of a new negotiated rate arrangement involving three contracts.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with 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 proceedings. 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 in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/