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Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said petition to amend should on or before April 8, 1996, 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 384.214 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.

Lois D. Cashell,  
Secretary.

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**[Docket No. EG96-51-000, et al.]**

**NCP Houston Power Incorporated, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings**

March 27, 1996.

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

**1. NCP Houston Power Incorporated**

[Docket No. EG96-51-000]

On March 18, 1996, NCP Houston Power Incorporated (Applicant) filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an application for determination of exempt wholesale generator status pursuant to 18 CFR Part 365.

Applicant states that it is a Delaware corporation formed to acquire a general partnership interest in Mid-Georgia Cogen L.P., a Delaware limited partnership formed to develop, own and operate a nominal 300 MW natural gas and oil fired cogeneration facility to be located in Kathleen, Georgia.

*Comment date:* April 19, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice. The Commission will limit its consideration of comments to those that concern the adequacy or accuracy of the application.

**2. San Diego Gas & Electric Company v. Public Service Company of New Mexico**

[Docket No. EL96-40-000]

Take notice that on March 18, 1996, San Diego Gas & Electric Company

(SDG&E) tendered for filing a complaint with the Commission against Public Service Company of New Mexico (PNM). In the complaint, SDG&E states that the demand rate charged SDG&E by PNM under a long-term 100-megawatt system power sale is unjust, unreasonable, and unduly discriminatory. SDG&E asks the Commission to initiate a proceeding under Section 206(b) of the Federal Power Act to investigate the rate and establish a refund effective date of May 17, 1996.

*Comment date:* April 26, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice. Answers to the complaint shall be due on or before April 26, 1996.

**3. Public Service Electric & Gas Company**

[Docket No. ER96-1070-000]

Take notice that on March 13, 1996, Public Service Electric & Gas Company tendered for filing an amendment in the above-referenced docket.

*Comment date:* April 10, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**4. Portland General Electric Company**

[Docket No. ER96-1197-000]

Take notice that on March 15, 1996, El Paso Electric Company tendered for filing a Certificate of Concurrence in the above-referenced docket.

*Comment date:* April 10, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**5. Florida Power Corporation**

[Docket No. ER96-1255-000]

Take notice that on March 11, 1996, Florida Power Corporation tendered for filing a correction to the moratorium provision filed for service to Seminole Electric Cooperative in this docket. The Company requests that the correction be allowed to become effective on March 5, 1996, when the original filing was made.

*Comment date:* April 10, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**6. Wisconsin Public Service Corporation**

[Docket No. ER96-1292-000]

Take notice that on March 11, 1996, Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WPSC), tendered for filing an executed Transmission Service Agreement between WPSC and Manitowoc Public Utilities. The Agreement provides for transmission service under the Comparable Transmission Service Tariff, FERC Original Volume No. 7.

WPSC asks that the agreement become effective retroactively to February 29, 1996.

*Common date:* April 10, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**7. Southern Company Services, Inc.**

[Docket No. ER96-1293-000]

Take notice that on March 12, 1996, Southern Company Services, Inc. (SCS), acting on behalf of Alabama Power Company, Georgia Power Company, Gulf Power Company, Mississippi Power Company, and Savannah Electric and Power Company (collectively referred to as "Southern Companies") filed a service agreement between SCS, as agent of the Southern Companies, and KN Marketing, Inc. for non-firm transmission service under the Point-to-Point Transmission Service Tariff of Southern Companies.

*Common date:* April 10, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**8. Entergy Power, Inc.**

[Docket No. ER96-1300-000]

Take notice that on March 13, 1996, Entergy Power, Inc. (EPI) tendered for filing a Base Agreement for the Purchase and Sale of Wholesale Power and Energy Service with Houston Lighting & Power Company.

*Common date:* April 10, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**9. Louisville Gas and Electric Company**

[Docket No. ER96-1333-000]

Take notice that on March 18, 1996, Louisville Gas and Electric Company (LG&E), tendered for filing a service agreement between LG&E and PECO Energy Company under Rate PSS—Power Sales Service.

A copy of the filing has been mailed to the Kentucky Public Service Commission.

*Common date:* April 10, 1996, 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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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-00182; FRL-5360-1]

### Agency Information Collection Activities

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this notice announces that EPA is planning to submit the following continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the information collection as described below. The ICR is a continuing ICR entitled "TSCA Section 4 Test Rules, Consent Orders and Test Rule Exemptions," EPA ICR No. 1139, OMB No. 2070-0033. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before June 3, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit three copies of all written comments to: TSCA Document Receipts (7407), Rm. NE-G99, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, Telephone 202-260-7099. All comments should reference administrative record number AR-155. This ICR is available for public review at, and copies may be requested from, the docket address and phone number listed above.

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically by sending electronic mail (e-mail) to: [ncic@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:ncic@epamail.epa.gov). Electronic comments must be submitted as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Comments and data will also be

accepted on disks in WordPerfect in 5.1 file format or ASCII file format. All comments and data in electronic form must be identified by the administrative record number "AR-155" and ICR number "1139." No CBI should be submitted through e-mail. Electronic comments on this document may be filed online at many Federal Depository Libraries. Additional information on electronic submissions can be found in Unit III. of this document.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For general information contact: Susan B. Hazen, Director, Environmental Assistance Division (7408), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, Telephone: 202-554-1404, TDD: 202-554-0551, e-mail: [TSCA-Hotline@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:TSCA-Hotline@epamail.epa.gov). For technical information contact: Keith Cronin, Chemical Control Division (7405), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, Telephone: 202-260-8157, Fax: 202-260-1096, e-mail: [cronin.keith@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:cronin.keith@epamail.epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

Entities potentially affected by this action are those companies that manufacture, process, use, distribute or dispose of chemicals. For the collection of information addressed in this notice, EPA would like to solicit comments to:

(i) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.

(ii) Evaluate 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.

(iii) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

(iv) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through 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.

##### II. Information Collection

EPA is seeking comments on the following Information Collection Request.

Title: TSCA Section 4 Test Rules, Consent Orders and Test Rule

Exemptions, EPA ICR No. 1139, OMB No. 2070-0033, expires August 31, 1996. **Abstract:** Section 4 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) is designed to assure that chemicals that may pose serious risks to human health or the environment undergo testing by manufacturers or processors, and that the results of such testing is made available to EPA. EPA uses the information collected under the authority of TSCA section 4 activity to assess risks associated with the manufacture, processing, distribution, use or disposal of a chemical, and to support any necessary regulatory action with respect to that chemical.

EPA must assure that appropriate tests are performed on a chemical if it decides: (1) That a chemical being considered under TSCA section 4(a) may pose an "unreasonable risk" or is produced in "substantial" quantities that may result in substantial or significant human exposure or substantial environmental release of the chemical; (2) that additional data are needed to determine or predict the impacts of the chemical's manufacture, processing, distribution, use or disposal; and (3) that testing is needed to develop such data. Rules and consent orders under TSCA section 4 require that one manufacturer or processor of a subject chemical perform the specified testing and report the results of that testing to EPA. TSCA section 4 also allows a manufacturer or processor of a subject chemical to apply for an exemption from the testing requirement if that testing will be or has been performed by another party.

Responses to the collection of information are mandatory (see 40 CFR part 790). Respondents may claim all or part of a notice confidential. EPA will disclose information that is covered by a claim of confidentiality only to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with, the procedures in TSCA section 14 and 40 CFR part 2.

**Burden Statement:** The burden to respondents for complying with this ICR is estimated to total 95,728 hours per year, with an annual cost of \$3,865,600. These totals are based on an average burden of approximately 486 hours per test rule and consent order response for an estimated 152 respondents, submitting one or more reports of information annually. There are also recordkeeping requirements associated with this collection. This estimate includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and