

by the Government of the People's Republic of China which are printed on light grey guilloche patterned background paper with a newly added dull color map of the People's Republic of China in the middle. The light grey form will replace the light green form currently being used. The Chinese Embassy in Washington, DC, will continue to issue the white pre-printed replacement visa now in use.

To facilitate implementation of this amendment to the export licensing system, I request that you permit entry of textile products, produced or manufactured in China and exported from China during the period January 1, 1997 through February 28, 1997, for which the Government of the People's Republic of China has issued an export license/commercial invoice printed on either a light green form or a light grey form with a dull color map of the People's Republic of China in the middle.

Goods exported on and after March 1, 1997 must be accompanied by an export visa issued by the Government of the People's Republic of China only on the light grey license/invoice form with a dull color map of the People's Republic of China in the middle.

Shipments entered or withdrawn from warehouse according to this directive which are not accompanied by an appropriate export visa shall be denied entry and a new visa must be obtained.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

Troy H. Cribb,

*Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

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## COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

### Petition of the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Inc. for Exemptive Relief To Permit United States Customers To Establish or Offset Positions in Certain Foreign Currency Options on the Hong Kong Futures Exchange Ltd. Through Registered Broker-Dealers

**AGENCY:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**ACTION:** Extension of Comment Period.

**SUMMARY:** On October 2, 1996, the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("Commission") issued a notice of proposed order and request for comment on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Inc.'s petition for exemptive relief to permit United States customers to establish or offset positions in certain foreign currency options on the Hong Kong Futures Exchange Ltd. through registered broker-dealers, 61 FR 52921 (October 9, 1996). The original period

for comment was thirty days, with the deadline for the submission of comments November 8, 1996. By letter dated November 8, 1996, the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, the Chicago Board of Trade and the Futures Industry Association have requested a thirty-day extension of the comment period. The Commission has determined to extend the comment period to December 11, 1996.

**DATES:** Written comments must be received on or before December 11, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be submitted to Jean A. Webb, Secretary of the Commission, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 1155 21st Street, NW., Washington, D.C. 20581. In addition, comments may be sent by facsimile transmission to facsimile number (202) 418-5521, or by electronic mail to [secretary@cfctc.gov](mailto:secretary@cfctc.gov).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Susan C. Ervin, Deputy Director/Chief Counsel, or Christopher W. Cummings, Attorney/Advisor, Division of Trading and Markets, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 1155 21st Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20581. Telephone number: (202) 418-5450. Facsimile number: (202) 418-5536. Electronic mail: [tm@cfctc.gov](mailto:tm@cfctc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On October 2, 1996, the Commission issued a request for comment on the petition of the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, Inc. ("PHLX") for exemptive relief to permit United States customers to establish or offset positions in certain foreign currency options on the Hong Kong Futures Exchange Ltd. through registered broker-dealers. On November 8, 1996, the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, the Chicago Board of Trade and the Futures Industry Association filed a written request for a thirty-day extension of the comment period. The extension request was based on the signatories' belief that additional time was necessary to fully evaluate the merits of the PHLX's petition in light of important policy questions.

The Commission has determined to extend the period for public comment on the PHLX's petition to December 11, 1996.

Issued in Washington, DC., on November 13, 1996, by the Commission.

Jean A. Webb,

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-81-000]

### National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

November 14, 1996.

Take notice that on November 4, 1996, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (National Fuel), 10 Lafayette Square, Buffalo, New York 14203, filed in Docket No. CP97-81-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.216) for authorization to abandon a delivery point connection located in Jefferson County, Pennsylvania, under National Fuel's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83-4-000, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

National Fuel proposes to abandon a delivery point connection which provides service to one residential customer of National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation. National Fuel states this delivery point is located along a non-jurisdictional production pipeline that will be conveyed to Contract Services, a producer of natural gas located in Pennsylvania, who will assume service obligations to this customer following conveyance of these facilities.

National Fuel advises the affected customer is aware of the proposed sale of facilities to Contract Services and does not object to this sale and the two parties have entered into an Agreement for the Transfer of Service, dated July 18, 1996. National Fuel states such transfer is subject to the approval of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

*Acting Secretary.*

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**[Docket No. EG97-15-000, et al.]**

**Termo Santander de Colombia, E.S.P., et al. Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings**

November 14, 1996.

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

**1. Termo Santander de Colombia, E.S.P.**

[Docket No. EG97-15-000]

On November 8, 1996, Termo Santander de Colombia, E.S.P. ("Termo"), with its principal office at Carrera 11, No. 93-53, Piso 6°,—Bogota D.C., filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an application for determination of exempt wholesale generator status pursuant to Part 365 of the Commission's regulations.

The Applicant is currently a sociedad anonima, a Colombian corporation, but will be converted to a limited partnership by shares under Colombian law prior to commercial operation. The Applicant will be engaged, exclusively in leasing, owning, and operating a 220 MW gas-fired electric generating plant and associated 65 km, 230 kV transmission line on the OPON gas field in the town of Cimitarra, the Department of Santander, Colombia and engaging in project development activities with respect thereto and other activities as permitted by the Commission.

*Comment date:* December 4, 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. Amoco Power Finance (BVI) Limited**

[Docket No. EG97-16-000]

On November 8, 1996, Amoco Power Finance (BVI) Finance. (the "Applicant"), with its principal office at Craigmuir Chambers, P.O. BOX 71, Road Town, Tortola, BVI, filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an application for determination of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status pursuant to Part 365 of the Commission's regulations.

The Applicant is a company organized under the laws of the British Virgin Islands. The Applicant will be engaged, exclusively in owning and

leasing gas fired electric generation equipment with an approximate name plate rating of 220 MW which will be located on the OPON gas field in the town of Cimitarra, the Department of Santander, Colombia and engaging in project development activities with respect thereto, and other activities as permitted by the Commission.

*Comment date:* December 4, 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.

**3. Powernet Corporation; Morgan Stanley Capital Group, Inc.; Industrial Energy Applications, Inc.; Texaco Natural Gas Inc.; Enserve, L.C.; Power Fuels, Inc.**

[Docket Nos. ER94-931-010, ER94-1384-012, ER95-1465-004, ER95-1787-004, ER96-182-004, ER96-1930-001 (not consolidated)]

Take notice that the following informational filings have been made with the Commission and are on file and available for inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room:

On November 5, 1996, Powernet Corporation filed certain information as required by the Commission's April 22, 1994, order in Docket No. ER94-931-000.

On November 4, 1996, Morgan Stanley Capital Group, Inc. filed certain information as required by the Commission's November 8, 1994, order in Docket No. ER94-1384-000.

On November 4, 1996, Industrial Energy Applications, Inc. filed certain information as required by the Commission's September 28, 1995, order in Docket No. ER94-1465-000.

On November 4, 1996, Texaco Natural Gas Inc. filed certain information as required by the Commission's January 25, 1996, order in Docket No. ER95-1787-000.

On October 30, 1996, Enserve, L.C. filed certain information as required by the Commission's December 28, 1996, order in Docket No. ER96-182-000.

On October 30, 1996, Power Fuels, Inc. filed certain information as required by the Commission's July 5, 1996, order in Docket No. ER96-1930-000.

**4. Louisville Gas & Electric Company**

[Docket No. ER96-2688-000]

Take notice that on October 21, 1996, Louisville Gas & Electric Company tendered for filing an amendment in the above-referenced docket.

*Comment date:* November 27, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**5. Louisville Gas & Electric Company**

[Docket No. ER96-2748-000]

Take notice that on October 21, 1996, Louisville Gas & Electric Company tendered for filing an amendment in the above-referenced docket.

*Comment date:* November 27, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**6. Louisville Gas & Electric Company**

[Docket No. ER96-2824-000]

Take notice that on October 21, 1996, Louisville Gas & Electric Company tendered for filing an amendment in the above-referenced docket.

*Comment date:* November 27, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**7. Northeast Utilities Service Company**

[Docket No. ER97-297-000]

Take notice that on October 30, 1996, Northeast Utilities Service Company (NUSCO) on behalf of The Connecticut Light and Power Company, Western Massachusetts Electric Company, Holyoke Water Power Company, Holyoke Power and Electric Company and the Public Service Company of New Hampshire tendered for filing a summary of NUSCO's activity under the NU System Companies Tariff No. 7 (market-based rates) for the quarter ending September 30, 1996.

*Comment date:* November 27, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

**8. Northern Indiana Public Service Company**

[Docket No. ER97-367-000]

Take notice that on November 4, 1996, Northern Indiana Public Service Company, tendered for filing an executed Standard Transmission Service Agreement between Northern Indiana Public Service Company and Southern Energy Marketing, Inc.

Under the Transmission Service Agreement, Northern Indiana Public Service Company will provide Point-to-Point Transmission Service to Southern Energy Marketing, Inc. pursuant to the Transmission Service Tariff filed by Northern Indiana Public Service Company in Docket No. ER96-1426-000 and allowed to become effective by the Commission. *Northern Indiana Public Service Company*, 75 FERC ¶ 61,213 (1996). Northern Indiana Public Service Company has requested that the Service Agreement be allowed to become effective as of November 8, 1996.

Copies of this filing have been sent to the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission and the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor.