

2. Appropriateness of the Proposed Method or Approach;

3. Competency of Applicant's personnel and Adequacy of Proposed Resources;

4. Reasonableness and Appropriateness of the Proposed Budget.

Also, as part of the evaluation, program policy factors become a selection priority.

Note, external peer reviewers are selected with regard to both their scientific expertise and the absence of conflict-of-interest issues. Non-federal reviewers will often be used, and submission of an application constitutes agreement that this is acceptable to the investigator(s) and the submitting institution.

It is anticipated that up to \$10 million will be available for multiple awards to be made in FY 1997 and early FY 1998 in the categories described above, contingent on availability of appropriated funds. Applications may request project support up to three years, with out-year support contingent on availability of funds, progress of the research, and programmatic needs. Annual budgets for most of the six scientific research element projects are expected to range from \$200,000 to \$500,000 total costs. Annual budgets for most of the BASIC projects are expected not to exceed \$100,000. Researchers are encouraged to team with investigators in other disciplines where appropriate. DOE may encourage collaboration among prospective investigators, to promote joint applications or joint research projects, by using information obtained through the preliminary applications or through other forms of communication.

Although the required original and seven copies of the application must be submitted, researchers are asked to submit an electronic version of their abstract of the proposed research in ASCII format and their e-mail address to Karen Carlson by e-mail at karen.carlson@oer.doe.gov. Additional information on the NABIR Program is available at the following web site: <http://www.lbl.gov/NABIR/>. For researchers who do not have access to the world wide web, please contact Karen Carlson; Environmental Sciences Division, ER-74; U.S. Department of Energy; 19901 Germantown Road; Germantown, MD 20874-1290; (301) 903-3338 phone; (301) 903-8519 fax; karen.carlson@oer.doe.gov; for hard copies of background material mentioned in this solicitation. Curriculum vitae should be submitted in a form similar to that of NIH or NSF (two to three pages), see for example:

<http://www.nsf.gov:80/bfa/cpo/gpg/fkit.htm#forms-9>.

Related Funding Opportunities

Investigators may wish to obtain information about the following related funding opportunities:

Department of Energy, Office of Environmental Management: The Environmental Management Science Program (EMSP). Contact: Carol Henry, Science and Policy Director, Office of Integrated Risk Management, EM-52, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20585, e-mail carol.henry@em.doe.gov. Phone 202-586-7150. The EMSP home page is available at web site: www.em.doe.gov/science.

DOE/EPA/NSF/ONR Joint Program on Bioremediation, Dr. Robert E. Menzer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Center for Environmental Research and Quality Assurance, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, menzer.robert@epamail.epa.gov., phone (202) 260-5779.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number for this program is 81.049, and the solicitation control number is ERFAP 10 CFR Part 605.

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John Rodney Clark,

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-11-001]

ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

November 19, 1996.

Take notice that on November 14, 1996, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, to become effective November 1, 1996:

Third Revised Sheet No. 10
Substitute Second Revised Sheet No. 49

ANR states that the above-referenced tariff sheets are being filed in compliance with the Commission's October 30, 1996 "Order Accepting and Suspending Tariff Sheets Subject to Conditions" in the captioned proceeding. The revised tariff sheets address directed changes to ANR's Rate Schedule FSS.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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 proceeding. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP97-90-000]

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

November 19, 1996.

Take notice that on November 12, 1996, El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso), P.O. Box 1492, El Paso, Texas 79978, filed in Docket No. CP97-90-000 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 four delivery points and the service related thereto located in Cochise County, Arizona under El Paso's 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 that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

El Paso proposes to abandon by removal four metering and/or tap facilities located in Cochise County, Arizona. The four facilities are the Campbell Shaft Delivery Point (Meter No. 20-152), Douglas Smelter Delivery Point (Meter No. 30-071), Douglas Smelter House No. 1 Meter Station (Meter No. 20-154-01) and the Douglas Smelter House No. 2 Tap (Meter No. 20-155-01). El Paso states that these facilities enabled it to sell and deliver, on a direct sale basis, natural gas to Phelps Dodge Mining Company, a Division of Phelps Dodge Corporation (Phelps Dodge), for use in its mining, smelting and metallurgical operations in southern Arizona.

El Paso understands that the mining and smelting operations that received natural gas at the subject facilities are no longer functioning and therefore no longer in need of natural gas service. El

Paso states that, in recognition of these circumstances, Phelps Dodge has requested that El Paso abandon and remove the facilities and service at the four delivery points.

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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[Docket No. RP96-296-005]

**KN Interstate Gas Transmission Co.,
Notice of Compliance Filing**

November 19, 1996.

Take notice that on November 12, 1996 KN Interstate Gas Transmission Co. (KNI) tendered for filing certain revised tariff sheets in compliance with Commission's November 4, 1996 Order in the above referenced proceeding. In particular, KNI submitted for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, the following tariff sheets with a requested effective date of August 1, 1996.

Third Revised Volume No. 1-A

Second Substitute Original Sheet No. 4-D

Third Revised Volume No. 1-B

Second Substitute Original Sheet No. 57

Third Substitute Original Sheet No. 86

Substitute Original Sheet No. 87

Substitute Original Sheet No. 88

KNI also submitted for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, the following tariff sheets with a requested effective date of October 1, 1996:

Third Revised Volume No. 1-A

Substitute First Revised Sheet No. 4-D

Substitute Second Revised Sheet No. 4-D

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rule 211 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and

Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). All such protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. 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. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP96-320-004]

**Koch Gateway Pipeline Company;
Notice of Proposed Change in FERC
Gas Tariff**

November 19, 1996.

Take notice that on November 14, 1996, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company (Koch) tendered for filing its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheet, to be effective August 31, 1996:

Substitute Second Revised Sheet No. 2901

Koch states that this tariff sheet clarifies Koch's definition of negotiated rate to comply with the Commission's October 30, 1996 Order on Requests for Rehearing and Clarification.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Regulations. All such protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP97-98-000]

**Northwest Pipeline Corporation; Notice
of Request Under Blanket
Authorization**

November 19, 1996.

Take notice that on November 13, 1996, Northwest Pipeline Corporation (Northwest), 295 Chipeta Way, P.O. Box 58900, Salt Lake City, Utah 84158-0900,

filed in Docket No. CP97-98-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.211) for approval and permission to operate two meter stations as certificated delivery points for deliveries to Mid-America Pipeline Company (MAPCO), successor in interest to Gulf Gas Utilities Company, under the blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-433, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Northwest states that it proposes to operate the Lisbon and Dolores meter stations (formerly known as the Gulf Gas No. 1 and Gulf Gas No. 2 meter stations), located in San Juan County, Utah and Montezuma County, Colorado, respectively, as certificated delivery points. Northwest further states that MAPCO recently acquired Gulf Gas Utilities' interest in its gas supply and transportation agreements, including the A-89 agreement, and certain facilities located downstream of the subject meter stations. Northwest asserts that MAPCO requested Northwest to take the necessary action to make the meter stations available as delivery points for open access transportation under MAPCO's Rate Schedule TI-1 Part 284 transportation agreement dated April 20, 1994 (E-48 agreement), as reported in Docket No. ST95-1124. Northwest further asserts that MAPCO has requested Northwest to transfer the volumes and priority dates established under the A-89 agreement to its E-48 agreement, and subsequently terminate the A-89 agreement, upon approval of the prior notice authorization sought herein. Northwest indicates that it will shortly seek the necessary waivers of its first-come, first-served and priority of service tariff provisions in order to maintain the priority dates established under the A-89 agreement under the E-48 agreement.

Any person or the Commission's Staff may, within 45 days after the issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (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 therefore, the proposed activities 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 30