

for the receipt and delivery of Canadian gas supplies for Bay State Gas Company and Northern Utilities, Inc.

According to Granite State, Portland Pipe Line initially constructed and operated the 18-inch line and a parallel 24-inch pipeline from South Portland, Maine, to refineries in the vicinity of Montreal, Quebec, to provide an overland crude oil transportation system for the delivery of off-shore crude to the refineries. It is stated that the 18-inch line was idled in 1986 because the capacity in the 24-inch pipeline at that time was sufficient to supply the refineries. Granite State leased the 18-inch pipeline with the purpose of converting the 166-miles of the line from Portland to the U.S.-Canadian border to natural gas service, and operating the pipeline to import Canadian gas supplies for its system and its customers. According to Granite State, the Commission issued a limited-term certificate to Granite State, extending to March 31, 1996, to operate the leased pipeline because Portland Pipe Line had reserved an option to terminate the lease as of that date.

After Portland Pipe Line gave notice of its intent to terminate the lease on March 31, 1996, Granite State and Portland Pipe Line negotiated an extension of the lease to March 31, 1997 and the Commission extended the limited-term certificate to that date. In the negotiation of the extension (the First Amendment) it was recognized that the crude oil throughput on the 24-inch line could increase during the lease extension period. According to Granite State, the pumps on the 24-inch line are electric powered and power consumption increases with throughput and power usage on the 24-inch operating singly is greater than transporting the same volume through both the 18-inch and 24-inch lines.

In the First Amendment extending the lease, Granite State agreed to compensate Portland Pipe Line for increased power usage for the electric pumps on the 24-inch pipeline when throughput increased above a base level of an average of 177,000 barrels daily.

Granite State further states that it is currently operating the leased pipeline on a further extension of the lease under a Second Amendment and an extension of the limited-term certificate to April 30, 1998. The electric power compensation provision for increased usage of power by the pumps in the 24-inch line has been incorporated in the Second Amendment, according to Granite State, and Granite State is currently being invoiced for such costs.

Because of the monthly variable in power usage, Granite State proposes in

Original Sheet Nos. 333, 334 and 335 to establish a Power Cost Adjustment tracking mechanism, beginning April 1, 1997 and changing quarterly, based on projected electric costs provided by Portland Pipe Line. The tracking mechanism would be used to derive a surcharge per Dth applied to the reservation billing determinants for firm transportation services under Granite State's Rate Schedules FT-NN and FT-1. The first proposed quarterly surcharge, beginning April 1, 1997, is \$0.1737 per Dth shown in materials submitted with the tariff filing. The tracking mechanism would establish deferred accounts for over and under collections in relation to invoiced costs from Portland Pipe Line. Carrying charges would be applied to the deferred account balances, either over or under invoiced costs and the account balances would be reconciled semi-annually.

Granite State also states that it filed a rate increase on October 1, 1996 in Docket No. RP97-8-000 which was accepted by the Commission and suspended until April 1, 1997. According to Granite State it filed its proposed Power Cost Adjustment tracking procedure as *pro forma* tariff sheets in the Docket No. RP97-8-000 which the Commission noted in the suspension order with the observation that the mechanism could be considered as part of the resolution of that proceeding. Granite State further states that it has moved to put the suspended rates in Docket No. RP97-8-000 into effect on April 1, 1997.

According to Granite State, copies of its filing was served on its firm and interruptible customers, the regulatory agencies of the States of Maine, Massachusetts and New Hampshire and the parties on the official service list maintained by the Secretary in Docket No. RP97-8-000.

Any person desiring to intervene or 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. 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 Granite State's 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. RP97-64-004]

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America; Notice of Supplemental Compliance Filing

April 1, 1997.

Take notice that on March 26, 1997, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Sixth Revised Volume No. 1, Alternate First Revised Sheet No. 315 to become effective May 1, 1997.

Natural states that the purpose of this filing is to revise Section 19.18 of the General Terms and Conditions to reflect the formulas for converting between monthly and daily rates that are contained in Version 1.1 of Standard 5.3.22 which was just incorporated by reference into the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Regulations by Order No. 587-C. Natural asks that this alternate tariff sheet be accepted instead of First Revised Sheet No. 315 that was submitted in Docket No. RP97-64-002 on February 28, 1997.

Natural requests whatever waivers may be necessary to permit the tariff sheet submitted to become effective on May 1, 1997.

Natural states that copies of the filing are being mailed its jurisdictional customers, interested state regulatory agencies and all parties set out on the official service list at Docket No. RP97-64.

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 as provided in 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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EC97-25-000]

NP Energy Inc.; Notice of Filing

April 1, 1997.

Take notice that NP Energy Inc., a broker and marketer of electric power, filed on March 27, 1997, a request for approval to sell and issue to National Power of America, Inc. (National Power) common stock constituting 50 percent of the issued and outstanding common stock of NP Energy, and to sell and issue to National Power all of the preferred stock of NP Energy Inc. NP Energy is a privately-held corporation owned by individuals. National Power is a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of National Power PLC, a corporation organized under the laws of England and Wales. National Power PLC is a large electric generating company in the United Kingdom. National Power owns indirectly another power broker and marketer, ANP Energy Direct Company, and interests in various exempt wholesale generators and qualifying facilities under the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978.

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 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before April 11, 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. RP96-306-000]

Paiute Pipeline Company; Notice of Informal Settlement Conference

April 1, 1997.

Take notice that an informal settlement conference will be convened in this proceeding on April 8, 1997 at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, for the purpose of exploring the possible settlement of the above-referenced docket.

Any party, as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(c), or any participant, as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(b), is invited to attend. Persons wishing to become a party must move to intervene and receive intervenor status pursuant to the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 385.214).

For additional information, please contact Irene E. Szopo at (202) 208-1602 or Anja M. Clark at (202) 208-2034.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-224-002]

Sea Robin Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

April 1, 1997.

Take notice that on March 28, 1997, Sea Robin Pipeline Company (Sea Robin) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the revised Tariff sheets set forth on Appendix A to the filing, in compliance with the Commission's Order No. 587 and the Commission's March 3, 1997 Order in this docket, to become effective June 1, 1997.

On July 17, 1996, the Commission issued Order No. 587 in Docket No. RM96-1-000 which revised the Commission's regulations governing interstate natural gas pipelines to require such pipelines to follow certain standardized business practices issued by the Gas Industry Standards Board (GISB) and adopted by the Commission in said Order. 18 CFR 284.10(b). The standards govern certain aspects of the following practices of natural gas

pipelines: nominations, allocations, balancing, measurement, invoicing, and capacity release. The revisions shown on the Tariff Sheets filed herewith reflect Sea Robin's compliance filing to conform with the GISB standards. On January 3, 1997, Sea Robin made its compliance filing submitting pro forma tariff sheets to comply with Order No. 587. On March 3, 1997, the Commission issued an order in this docket in response to Sea Robin's filing. The order required Sea Robin to revise and submit its compliance filing for implementation of the approved standards by June 1, 1997.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NW., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Regulations. All such protests must be filed on or before April 18, 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. 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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER94-1545-009, *et al.*]

Calpine Power Services Company, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

March 31, 1997.

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

1. Calpine Power Services Company, Power Company of America, L.P., Howard Energy Marketing, Inc., and Petroleum Source & Systems Group, Inc.

[Docket Nos. ER94-1545-009, ER95-111-009, ER95-252-008, and ER95-266-008]

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 March 21, 1997, Calpine Power Services Company filed certain information as required by the