

*Estimated cost burden to respondents:* 36,000 hours divided by 2,087 hours per year times \$104,350 per year equals \$1,800,000. The cost per respondent is equal to \$30,000.

The reporting burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide the information including: (1) Reviewing instructions; (2) developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

The estimate of cost for respondents is based upon salaries for professional and clerical support, as well as direct and indirect overhead costs. Direct costs include all costs directly attributable to providing this information, such as administrative costs and the cost for information technology. Indirect or overhead costs are costs incurred by an organization in support of its mission. These costs apply to activities which benefit the whole organization rather than any one particular function or activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) 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; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including 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.

**Lois D. Cashell,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Proposed Information Collection and Request for Comments (FERC Form No. 543)

April 23, 1997.

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(a) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described below.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to comments submitted on or before June 27, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained from and written comments may be submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Attn: Michael P. Miller, Information Services Division, ED-12.4, 888 First Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael P. Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208-1415, by fax at (202) 273-0873, and by e-mail at mmiller@ferc.fed.us.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The information collected under the requirements of FERC Form No. 543 "Gas Pipeline Rates: Rate Tracking (Formal)" (OMB No. 1902-0152) is used by the Commission to implement the statutory provisions of Title IV of the Natural Gas Policy Act (NGPA), 15 U.S.C. 3301-3432, and Sections 4, 5,

and 16, of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (15 U.S.C. 717-717w). As a result of the issuance and implementation of Order No. 636, the sales function performed by the interstate pipelines has mostly disappeared. Customers have overwhelmingly chosen to do their own procurement of gas supplies coupled with the use of transportation service on the pipelines rather than buying gas from pipelines. For pipelines to recover a variety of transportation costs they have developed filings to track these expenditures and include such charges as: Costs of obtaining the use of upstream pipeline capacity to fulfill pipeline service obligations; electric power cost filings; gas supply realignment transition cost flowthrough; fuel usage; and Gas Research Institute research fees. Tracking filings are submitted at any time to track upstream cost changes or are filed on a regularly scheduled basis as specified in the companies' tariffs establishing the tracking mechanism. Filings can be either: Accepted; suspended but not set for hearing; suspended for further review or a technical conference and additional Commission action as deemed necessary; or suspended and set for hearing. When a filing is suspended and set for hearing, it is considered a formal filing and the portion of the rate filing associated with the disputed issues becomes the subject of an investigation. Before the Commission allows the rate change to become effective, staff analysis is performed to ensure that the rate change is just and reasonable. The data submitted in the rate tracking filing are used by the Commission to verify the costs proposed to be recovered under those filings. The Commission implements these filing requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under 18 CFR 154.4; 154.7; 154.101; 154.107; 154.201; 154.207-154.209 and 154.312; 154.314; 154.401-154.403; 154.601-154.603.

**Action:** The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current expiration date.

**Burden Statement:** Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated as:

Number of respondents annually (1)	Number of responses per respondent (2)	Average burden hours per response (3)	Total annual burden hours (1)×(2)×(3)
2 .....	1	1,030	2,060

Estimated cost burden to respondents: 2,060 hours divided by 2,087 hours per year times \$104,350 per year equals

\$103,000. The cost per respondent is equal to \$51,500.

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disclose, or provide the information including: (1) Reviewing instructions; (2) developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

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Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) 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; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including 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.

**Lois D. Cashell,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. TM97-4-32-001]

#### Colorado Interstate Gas Company; Notice Compliance of Tariff Filing

April 22, 1997.

Take notice that on April 16, 1997, Colorado Interstate Gas Company (CIG)

filed Substitute First Revised Fourth Revised Sheet No. 230, First Revised Volume No. 1 and First Revised First Revised Sheet No. 230A, First Revised Volume No. 1, pursuant to the Commission's Letter Order issued March 27, 1997 which requires CIG to submit this filing to revise Section 1.14 of the General Terms and Conditions of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1.

CIG states that copies of this filing have been served on CIG's jurisdictional customers and public bodies.

Any person desiring to protest said 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 of Practice and Procedure. 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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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-21-003]

#### Florida Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Compliance Filing

April 22, 1997.

Take notice that on April 16, 1997, Florida Gas Transmission Company (FGT) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, effective June 1, 1997, the following tariff sheet:

Fourth Revised Sheet No. 117A

FGT states that it is revising its timetable for submitting nominations to FGT for transportation through FGT's capacity on Southern Natural Gas Company (Southern) in accordance with the Commissions Order on Compliance issued November 15, 1996 in FGT's GISB proceeding in Docket No. RP97-21. The proposed tariff language provides that nominations from FGT's shippers for transportation on Southern's system must be received by FGT by 11:30 A.M. Central Time. The proposed

effective date of June 1, 1997 conforms with Southern's GISB implementation date of June 1, 1997.

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 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. TM97-4-34-000]

#### Florida Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

April 22, 1997.

Take notice that on April 16, 1997, Florida Gas Transmission Company (FGT) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, effective May 1, 1997, the following tariff sheets:

Twenty-First Revised Sheet No. 8A  
Thirteenth Revised Sheet No. 8A.01  
Thirteenth Revised Sheet No. 8A.02  
Nineteenth Revised Sheet No. 8B  
Twelfth Revised Sheet No. 8B.01

FGT states that in Docket No. TM97-3-34-000 filed on February 28, 1997 and approved by Commission order dated March 24, 1997, FGT filed to establish a Base Fuel Reimbursement Charge Percentage (Base FRCP) of 2.85% to become effective April 1, 1997. In the instant filing, FGT is filing a flex adjustment of 0.50% to be effective May 1, 1997, which, when combined with the Base FRCP of 2.85%, results in an Effective Fuel Reimbursement Charge Percentage of 3.35%.

FGT states that the tariff sheets listed above are being filed pursuant to Section 27.A.2.b of the General Terms and Conditions (GTC) of FGT's Tariff, which provides for flex adjustments to the Base FRCP. Pursuant to the terms of Section 27.A.2.b, a flex adjustment shall