

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RP97-54-005]

**Trailblazer Pipeline Company; Notice of Compliance Filing**

June 9, 1997.

Take notice that on June 4, 1997, Trailblazer Pipeline Company (Trailblazer) tendered for filing to be part of the its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, Original Sheet No. 203A, to be effective May 1, 1997.

Trailblazer states that Original Sheet No. 203A was filed in compliance with OPR Letter Order issued May 30, 1997 in Docket No. RP97-54-004 (Letter Order), which directed Trailblazer to repaginate Original Sheet No. 204 filed on May 2, 1997 in Docket No. RP94-54-004.

Trailblazer states that a copy of the filing has been served on its transportation customers, interested state commissions and all parties set out on the official service list at Docket Nos. RP97-54-000, et al.

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 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. CP93-541-008]

**Young Gas Storage Company, Ltd.; Notice of Petition to Amend**

June 9, 1997.

Take notice that on May 23, 1997, Young Gas Storage Company, Ltd. (Young), Post Office Box 1087, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80944, filed in Docket No. CP93-541-008, a petition to amend the authorizations issued on June 22,

1994 and October 5, 1995 in Docket Nos. CP93-541-000 *et al.* pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), and Part 157 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, to drill and operate new injection/withdrawal and observation wells, convert one injection/withdrawal well to an observation well and make minor modifications to the storage gathering system, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Young states that upon further study and data gained in the development of the storage field, certain changes to well requirements are needed to provide for the continued development of the storage field so that service may be provided at certificated levels. Specifically, Young seeks authorization to: (i) Drill and operate two injection/withdrawal wells, well nos. 38 and 39, and one observation well, well no. 40; (ii) construct and operate a total of about 3,100 feet of 6-inch diameter pipeline to connect well nos. 38 and 39 to the storage gathering system; (iii) convert well no. 25 to an observation well; and (iv) make minor modifications to the storage gathering system. Young avers that the modifications proposed herein will enable Young to meet its certificated withdrawal level of 170 MMcf per day for the 1997-1998 heating season.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before June 30, 1997, 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 385.214 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 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.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Section 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this application if no motion to intervene is

filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for the Young to appear or be represented at the hearing.

**Lois D. Cashell,**

Secretary.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP97-193-000]

**Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corp., Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Maiden Lateral Looping Project**

June 9, 1997.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) on the natural gas pipeline facilities proposed by Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) in the above-referenced docket.

The EA was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The staff concludes that approval of the proposed project, with appropriate mitigating measures, would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the natural gas expansion facilities including:

- About 17.77 miles of 16-inch-diameter pipeline loop on Transcos existing 10-inch diameter Maiden Delivery Lateral in Lincoln and Catawba Counties, North Carolina; and
- The expansion of Transcos existing Lowesville Meter Station, which is located at the interconnection of Transcos mainline and the Maiden Delivery Lateral.

Transco would transport an additional 38,000 dekatherms of natural gas per day to Piedmont Natural Gas Company.

The EA has been placed in the public files of the FERC. A limited number of copies of the EA are available for distribution and public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Room 1-A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 208-1371.

Copies of the EA have been mailed to Federal, state, and local agencies, public interest groups, interested individuals, newspapers, libraries, and parties to this proceeding.

Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. To ensure consideration prior to a Commission decision on the proposal, it is important that we receive your comments before the date listed below. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Reference Docket No., C 97-193-000.
- Send two copies of your comments to: Office of the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., 1A, Washington, DC 20426.
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of the Environmental Review and Compliance Branch, PR-11.1.
- Mail your comments so they will be received in Washington, DC on or before July 10, 1997.

Comment will be considered by the Commission but will not serve to make a commentator a party to the proceeding. Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commissions Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214).

The date for filing timely motions to intervene has passed. Therefore, parties now seeking to file late interventions must show good cause, as required by section 385.214(b)(3), why this time limitation should be waived. Environmental issues have been viewed as good cause for late intervention. You do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

**Lois D. Cashell,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Petitions for Declaratory Orders

June 9, 1997.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

- a. *Type of Application:* Declaratory Orders.
- b. *Docket Nos:* DI97-8-000/DI97-9-000.
- c. *Date Filed:* May 27, 1997.
- d. *Applicant:* Georgia-Pacific Corporation.
- e. *Name of Project:* Forest City (P-2660) and West Branch (P-2618).
- f. *Location:* East Branch of St. Croix River in Washington and Aroostook Counties; Maine; and West Branch of St. Croix River in Washington, Hancock, and Penobscot Counties, Maine, respectively.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 USC Section 791(a)—825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Matthew D. Manahan, Pierce Atwood, One Monument Square, Portland, ME 04101, (207) 791-1100.
- i. *FERC Contact:* Diane M. Murray, (202) 219-2682.
- j. *Comment Date:* June 24, 1997.
- k. *Description:* The existing Forest City Project (No. 2660) consists of all United States portions of the following project works:

- (1) Forest City Dam, a 16-foot-high, 500-foot-long earth embankment dam containing a gated timber spillway structure 65 feet wide, with 3 gates and a fish passage facility; (2) a reservoir (East Grant Lake) with surface area of 16,070 acres at elevation 434.94 feet m.s.l. and storage capacity of 105,300 acre-feet; and (3) other appurtenances.

The existing West Branch Project (No. 2618) consists of:

- (A) West Grant Lake development: (1) West Grant Lake Dam, earth embankment and gravel-filled timber crib structure, 485 feet long and 13 feet high, containing a gated spillway structure, 77 feet wide with 5 gates, and a fish passage facility 24 feet wide; (2) a reservoir with surface area of 23,825 acres at elevation 301.43 feet m.s.l. and storage capacity of 160,000 acre-feet; and other appurtenances.

- (B) Sysladobsis Lake development: (1) Sysladobsis Lake Dam, an earth embankment structure, 250 feet long and 5.5 feet high, with a concrete cut-off wall and rock masonry downstream face, containing a gated spillway

structure 23 feet wide with 2 gates, and a fish passage facility 7 feet wide; (2) a reservoir with surface area of 5,400 acres at elevation 305.62 feet m.s.l., and storage capacity of 25,000 acre-feet; and (3) other appurtenances.

The above-referenced reservoirs are located upstream of three generating facilities, Grand Falls, Woodland, and Milltown. These generating facilities do not require licensing by the Commission.<sup>1</sup> The issue raised in Georgia-Pacific Corporation's petition is whether the above-referenced reservoirs are required to be licensed under Section 23(b) of the Federal Power Act.

When a Petition for a Declaratory Order is filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Federal Power Act requires the Commission to investigate and determine if the interests of interstate or foreign commerce would be affected by the project. The Commission also determines whether or not the project: (1) Would be located on a navigable waterway; (2) would occupy or affect public lands or reservations of the United States; (3) would utilize surplus water or water power from a government dam; or (4) if applicable, has involved or would involve any construe subsequent to 1935 that may have increased or would increase the project's head or generating capacity, or have otherwise significantly modified the project's pre-1935 design or operation.

1. This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs: B, C1, and D2.

B. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

C1. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTEST", OR

<sup>1</sup> See October 28, 1988, Commission orders (UL89-1-000 Grand Falls Hydro Project and UL89-2-000 Woodland Hydro Project), and June 7, 1990 letter—Milltown Project