

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 petition for leave to intervene is 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 Maritimes & Northeast 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. CP97-648-000]

#### Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

July 23, 1997.

Take notice that on July 17, 1997, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Applicant), 701 East 22nd Street, Lombard, Illinois 60148, filed in Docket No. CP97-648-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.216, and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act for authorization to abandon a 1.8 mile segment of Applicant's 36-inch Howard Street Lateral located in Cook County, Illinois, by sale to The Peoples Gas Light and Coke Company (PGLC), a local distribution company; to abandon by removal certain meter facilities comprising Applicant's existing Rogers Park delivery point, the point where Applicant currently delivers gas to PGLC; and to construct and operate a replacement delivery point to PGLC on the Howard Street Lateral, under blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-402-000,<sup>1</sup> all as more fully set forth in the request for authorization on file with the Commission and open for public inspection.

Applicant states that the proposed activity is to create a direct interconnection between the systems of PGLC and Northern Illinois Gas Company (NI-Gas), without constructing substantial new facilities, and while maintaining Applicant's delivery capabilities to both systems off the Howard Street Lateral. Applicant has agreed to sell and PGLC has agreed

to purchase the 1.8 miles of pipe for the sum of \$225,000. Applicant states that this facility has a net book value of \$0, and the \$225,000 price is based on the approximate value of the right-of-way. PGLC's purchase of the facility will make it unnecessary for PGLC to acquire new right-of-way for the construction of a new facility to accomplish the PGLC/NI-Gas interconnect.

Applicant states that all transportation volumes being delivered at the current Rogers Park delivery point would be reassigned to the replacement delivery point, which would retain the Rogers Park name and have comparable delivery capability. There is no contemplated change between the present and proposed quantities of gas to be delivered; nor, will there be an impact on Applicant's peak day and annual deliveries as a result of the change in delivery point location. Applicant states that its customers on the subject facilities have no objection to the proposal.

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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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-646-000]

#### NorAm Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

July 23, 1997.

Take Notice that on July 17, 1997, NorAm Gas Transmission Company (NGT), 1600 Smith Street, Houston, Texas 77002, filed in Docket No. CP97-646-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.211 of the

Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.211) for authorization to construct and operate a tap in Arkansas under NGT's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-348-000 and CP82-384-001 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.

NGT proposes to install and operate a 1-inch tap and a first cut regulator on its Line JM-19 in Lee County, Arkansas. The total estimated volumes to be delivered to these facilities are 2,600 MMBtu annually and 16 MMBtu on a peak day. The estimated total cost of the project is \$2,743.

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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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-654-000]

#### NorAm Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

July 23, 1997.

Take notice that on July 18, 1997, NorAm Gas Transmission Company (NGT), 1600 Smith Street, Houston, Texas 77002, filed in Docket No. CP97-654-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.211, and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.211, and 157.216) for authorization to abandon certain facilities in Arkansas and construct and operate certain facilities in Arkansas to deliver gas to Tyson Foods, Inc. under NGT's blanket

<sup>1</sup> See, 20 FERC § 62,415 (1982).

certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-384-000 and CP82-384-001 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.

NGT specifically seeks authority to replace and upgrade a delivery tap. Specifically, NGT seeks authority to abandon an existing 6-inch meter and two 1-inch regulators and install a 6-inch electronic turbine meter and two, 1-inch regulators in Logan county, Arkansas. No services will be abandoned. NGT's total cost are estimated at \$8,942.

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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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER97-3187-000]

#### Power Systems Group, Inc.; Notice of Issuance of Order

July 23, 1997.

Power Systems Group, Inc. (Power Group) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which Power Group will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions as a marketer. Power Group also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, Power Group requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by Power Group.

On July 11, 1997, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Applications, Office of Electric Power Regulation, granted

requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by Power Group should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214).

Absent a request for hearing within this period, Power Group is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, endorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, and compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approval of Power Group's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is August 11, 1997. Copies of the full text of the order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426.

**Lois D. Cashell,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL97-43-000]

#### QST Energy Trading, Inc. v. Central Illinois Public Service Company and Union Electric Company; Notice of Filing

July 23, 1997.

Take notice that on June 25, 1997, pursuant to Section 306 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. § 825e, and Rule 206 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission), 18 CFR 385.206, QST Energy Trading, Inc. (QST) tendered for filing a Verified Complaint, Request for Interim Relief and Request for Shortened Answer

Period against Central Illinois Public Service Company (CIPS) and Union Electric Company (UE). QST alleges that CIPS and UE, which is operating CIPS' transmission system, have refused to provide QST with monthly firm transmission service to deliver firm energy and capacity which is being sold by CIPS. This Complaint concerns a series of acts which are alleged to be anti-competitive: CIPS' refusal to provide QST with firm transmission service after CIPS agreed to make a firm power sale; CIPS' and UE's refusal to provide transmission service which MAIN indicated was available; the refusal by CIPS and UE to provide a copy of the study done which is allegedly the basis for refusing to provide transmission service; and UE's anticompetitive use of CIPS' transmission system to deny available service.

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, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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 August 8, 1997. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not service to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this application are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. Answers to the complaint shall be due on or before August 8, 1997.

**Lois D. Cashell,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-224-007]

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

July 23, 1997.

Take notice that on July 18, 1997, Sea Robin Pipeline Company (Sea Robin) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheets in compliance with the Commission's Order No. 587 and the Commission's