

Samedan alleges that VGS' unlawful abandonment originated when VGS terminated Samedan's existing gathering agreement for 75,000 Dth of transportation service per day effective October 1, 1997. The Commission determined on April 1, 1997, that the Venice system is a jurisdictional pipeline in its order in *Venice Gathering System*, 79 FERC ¶61,037 (1997). Samedan also alleges that VGS has taken the position that it does not have an obligation under the Natural Gas Act to continue serving Samedan after October 1, 1997. Samedan states that VGS claims that as of October 1, 1997, all of Samedan's capacity on the lateral over which it ships its gas will be reallocated to other shippers, principally VGS' affiliate, Chevron, under an open-season held June 16-20, 1997, for the stated purpose of soliciting shipper interest in building new, incremental capacity on the lateral.

Samedan further alleges that VGS has never applied for or obtained authorization to abandon service to Samedan, and despite Samedan's express and continued demands, VGS has refused to acknowledge a continuing obligation under the Natural Gas Act to transport Samedan's gas on or October 1, 1997. Samedan, therefore, alleges that VGS' actions constitute an unlawful abandonment in violation of section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make a protest with reference to Samedan's complaint should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene or protest in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 or 385.214). All such motions should be filed on or before September 22, 1997. VGS is directed to file its answer to this complaint no later than the close of business September 19, 1997. Any person desiring 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. RP97-522-000]

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

September 15, 1997.

Take notice that on September 11, 1997, Shell Gas Pipeline Company (SGPC) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, Second Revised Sheet No. 106, to become effective October 11, 1997.

SGPC states that the purpose of this filing is to reflect a change in the time period from one month to twenty-eight days from the time the first release period has ended after which pre-arranged capacity releases for terms of 31 days or less and at less than the maximum tariff rate can be re-released to the same replacement shipper at less than the maximum tariff rate, in conformance with section 284.243(h)(2) of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Regulations.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this 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 18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions and 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. 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 in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-428-011]

Tuscarora Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Compliance Filing

September 15, 1997.

Take notice that on September 10, 1997, Tuscarora Gas Transmission Company (Tuscarora) tendered for filing

as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets to become effective August 26, 1997:

First Revised Sheet No. 84

Sub First Revised Sheet No. 85

Tuscarora asserts that the purpose of this filing is to clarify that the maximum term an Existing Shipper can be required to match under the right-of-first refusal provision is five years.

Tuscarora states that copies of this filing were mailed to all customers of Tuscarora, interested state regulatory agencies and the service list in Docket No. RP97-428-000.

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 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. ER97-4331-000, et al.]

American Electric Power Service Corporation, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

September 15, 1997.

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

1. American Electric Power Service Corporation

[Docket No. ER97-4331-000]

Take notice that on August 20, 1997, the American Electric Power Service Corporation (AEPSC), tendered for filing executed service agreements under the AEP Companies' Power Sales Tariff. The Power Sales Tariff was accepted for filing effective October 1, 1995, and has been designated AEP Companies' FERC Electric Tariff First Revised Volume No. 2. AEPSC requests waiver of notice to permit the service agreements to be made effective for service billed on and after July 21, 1997.

A copy of the filing was served upon the parties and the State Utility Regulatory Commissions of Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. NORSTAR Energy Limited Partnership

[Docket No. ER97-4332-000]

Take notice that on August 21, 1997, NORSTAR Energy Limited Partnership ("NORSTAR"), tendered for filing a notice of cancellation of NORSTAR's FERC Electric Rate Schedule No. 1 to be effective immediately.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

3. Florida Power Corporation

[Docket No. ER97-4333-000]

Take notice that on August 21, 1997, pursuant to the Commission's Order of July 31, 1997 in this docket, Florida Power Corporation filed a Service Agreement for Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service with itself under its Open Access tariff.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

4. Arizona Public Service Company [Docket No. ER97-4334-000]

Take notice that on August 21, 1997, Arizona Public Service Company ("APS") in its capacity as Operating Agent for the Navajo Generating Station tendered for filing Amendment No. 4 to the Navajo Co-Tenancy Agreement, APS-FERC Rate Schedule No. 229.

A copy of this filing has been served on all parties on the Service List.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

5. GENSYS Energy

[Docket No. ER97-4335-000]

Take notice that on August 25, 1997, GENSYS Energy ("GENSYS") a cooperative association wholly owned by Dairyland Power Cooperative and Cooperative Power Association tendered for filing a rate schedule enabling GENSYS to make wholesale sales of capacity and energy at market-based rates as more fully described in its application. GENSYS requests an effective date of October 1, 1997.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

6. South Carolina Electric & Gas Company

[Docket No. ER97-4336-000]

Take notice that on August 25, 1997, South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G") submitted service agreements establishing The Energy Authority, Inc. ("TEA") as a customer under the terms of SCE&G's Negotiated Market Sales Tariff.

SCE&G requests an effective date of one day subsequent to the filing of the service agreement. Accordingly, SCE&G requests waiver of the Commission's notice requirements. Copies of this filing were served upon TEA and the South Carolina Public Service Commission.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

7. Duke Power Company

[Docket No. ER97-4337-000]

Take notice that on August 25, 1997, Duke Power Company ("Duke"), tendered for filing a Transmission Service Agreement between Duke, on its own behalf and acting as agent for its wholly-owned subsidiary, Nantahala Power and Light Company, and Aquila Power Corporation ("Transmission Customer"), dated as of July 24, 1997 ("TSA"). Duke states that the TSA sets out the transmission arrangements under which Duke will provide the Transmission Customer firm point-to-point transmission service under Duke's Pro Forma Open Access Transmission Tariff. Duke requests that the Agreement be made effective as of July 24, 1997.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

8. Duke Power Company

[Docket No. ER97-4338-000]

Take notice that on August 25, 1997, Duke Power Company ("Duke"), tendered for filing a Market Rate Service Agreement between Duke and Scana Energy Marketing, Inc., dated as of July 24, 1997. Duke requests that the Service Agreement be made effective as of July 24, 1997.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

9. South Carolina Electric & Gas Company

[Docket No. ER97-4339-000]

Take notice that on August 25, 1997, South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G") submitted a service agreement establishing The Energy Authority, Inc. ("TEA") as a customer

under the terms of SCE&G's Open Access Transmission Tariff.

SCE&G requests an effective date of one day subsequent to the filing of the service agreement. Accordingly, SCE&G requests waiver of the Commission's notice requirements. Copies of this filing were served upon TEA, and the South Carolina Public Service Commission.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

10. Wisconsin Power and Light Company

[Docket No. ER97-4340-000]

Take notice that on August 25, 1997, Wisconsin Power and Light Company (WP&L), tendered for filing Form Of Service Agreement for Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service and Form Of Service Agreement for Non-Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service establishing NP Energy Inc. as a point-to-point transmission customer under the terms of WP&L's transmission tariff.

WP&L requests an effective date of August 19, 1997, and; accordingly, seeks waiver of the Commission's notice requirements. A copy of this filing has been served upon the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

11. UtiliCorp United Inc.

[Docket No. ER97-4341-000]

Take notice that on August 25, 1997, UtiliCorp United Inc. ("UtiliCorp") filed a service agreement with Sunflower Electric Power Corporation for service under its Firm point-to-point open access service tariff for its operating division WestPlains Energy-Kansas.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

12. Portland General Electric Company

[Docket No. ER97-4342-000]

Take notice that on August 25, 1997, Portland General Electric Company (PGE), tendered for filing under PGE's Final Rule pro forma tariff (FERC Electric Tariff Original Volume No. 8, Docket No. OA96-137-000), executed Service Agreements for Short-Term Firm and Non-Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service with Vitol Gas and Electric, LLC.

Pursuant to 18 CFR 35.11, and the Commission's Order in Docket No. PL93-2-002 issued July 30, 1993, PGE respectfully requests that the Commission grant a waiver of the notice requirements of 18 CFR 35.3 to allow

the Service Agreements to become effective August 15, 1997.

A copy of this filing was caused to be served upon Vitrol Gas and Electric, LLC as noted in the filing letter.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

13. Idaho Power Company

[Docket No. ER97-4343-000]

Take notice that on August 25, 1997, Idaho Power Company (IPC), tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Service Agreements under Idaho Power Company FERC Electric Tariff No. 5, Open Access Transmission Tariff, between Idaho Power Company and Kansas City Power & Light Company, LG&E Power Marketing, Inc., and Avista Energy.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

14. Idaho Power Company

[Docket No. ER97-4344-000]

Take notice that on August 25, 1997, Idaho Power Company (IPC), tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission a Letter Agreement for Firm Capacity and Energy Exchange under Idaho Power Company FERC Electric Tariff No. 6, Market Rate Power Sales Tariff, between Idaho Power Company and the City of Anaheim, California.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

15. OGE Energy Resources, Inc.

[Docket No. ER97-4345-000]

Take notice that on August 25, 1997, OGE Energy Resources, Inc. ("OERI") petitioned the Commission for acceptance of OERI Rate Schedule FERC No. 1; the granting of certain blanket approvals, including the authority to sell electricity at market-based rates; and the waiver of certain Commission regulations.

OERI intends to engage in wholesale electric power and energy purchases and sales as a marketer. OERI is not in the business of generating or transmitting electric power. OERI is a wholly-owned subsidiary of OGE Energy Corp., which has a subsidiary, Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company, that generates and transmits electric power.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

16. Moulton Niguel Water District

[Docket No. ER97-4346-000]

Take notice that on August 25, 1997, Moulton Niguel Water District ("MNWD") petitioned the Commission for acceptance of MNWD Rate Schedule FERC No. 1, the granting of certain blanket approvals, including authority to sell electricity at market-based rates, and the waiver of certain Commission regulations.

MNWD intends to engage in wholesale power and energy purchases and sales as a marketer. MNWD is not in the business of generating or transmitting electric power. MNWD is a California water district.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

17. Northeast Energy Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER97-4347-000]

Take notice that on August 26, 1997, Northeast Energy Services, Inc. ("NORESKO"), tendered for filing pursuant to Part 35 of the Commission's Regulations and § 205, 18 CFR 385.205, a petition for waivers and blanket approvals under various regulations of the Commission and for an order accepting its FERC Electric Rate Schedule No. 1 to be effective no later than October 24, 1997.

NORESKO intends to engage in electric power and energy transactions as a marketer and a broker. In transactions where NORESKO sells electric energy it proposes to make such sales on rates, terms and conditions to be mutually agreed to with the purchasing party. NORESKO is not in the business of generating, transmitting, or distributing electric power.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

18. Northeast Utilities Service Company

[Docket No. ER97-4348-000]

Take notice that on August 26, 1997, Northeast Utilities Service Company ("NUSCO"), tendered for filing, a Service Agreement with the American Electric Power Service Corporation under the NU System Companies' Sale for Resale, Tariff No. 7.

NUSCO states that a copy of this filing has been mailed to the American Electric Power Service Corporation.

NUSCO requests that the Service Agreement become effective August 19, 1997.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

19. Delmarva Power & Light Company

[Docket No. ER97-4349-000]

Take notice that on August 26, 1997, Delmarva Power & Light Company, tendered for filing executed umbrella service agreements with AIG Trading Corporation, American Municipal Power-Ohio, Inc., MidCon Power Services, Inc., NP Energy Inc., and Williams Energy Services Company under Delmarva's market rate sales tariff, FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 14, filed by Delmarva in Docket No. ER96-2571-000. Delmarva requests that the Commission make the agreements with AIG Trading Corporation, American Municipal Power-Ohio, Inc., MidCon Power Services, Inc., NP Energy Inc., and Williams Energy Services Company effective as of their respective execution dates.

Comment date: September 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraph

E. 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 the comment date. 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. ER97-4322-000, et al.]

Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc., et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

September 12, 1997.

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