

20,000 Dekatherms per day of natural gas to Florence pursuant to an existing firm transportation agreement and Tennessee's Rate Schedule FT-A. Tennessee states that it will install two six-inch hot taps, electronic gas measurement (EGM) equipment and inspect Florence's installation of six-inch interconnecting pipe, dual orifice measurement, and flow control equipment. Tennessee states that Florence will provide the meter site, all weather access road, electrical service, telephone service, site preparations and site improvements. Tennessee states that the measurement facilities will be located on a site adjacent to and along Tennessee's existing right-of-way. Tennessee states that it will own, operate and maintain the hot tap and EGM and will operate the measurement facilities. Tennessee states that Florence will own, operate and maintain the interconnecting pipe and flow control equipment and will own and maintain the measurement facilities. Tennessee states that Florence will reimburse Tennessee for the cost of this project which is approximately \$106,278.

Tennessee states that the total quantities to be delivered for Florence will not exceed the total quantities authorized. Tennessee asserts that its tariff does not prohibit the addition of new delivery points, and that it has sufficient capacity to accomplish the deliveries at the proposed new delivery meter without detriment or disadvantage to any of Tennessee's other customers.

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 If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of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. CP98-13-000]

Transwestern Pipeline Company; Notice of Application

October 16, 1997.

Take notice that on October 9, 1997, Transwestern Pipeline Company (Transwestern), having its main offices at 1400 Smith Street, Houston, TX 77002, filed in the above docket, an abbreviated application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act seeking permission to abandon by sale to PG&E-TEX, L.P. (PG&E), its Gomez Lateral located in Ward and Pecos Counties, TX. The Gomez Lateral, consisting of approximately 33 miles of 20-inch diameter pipeline and other appurtenances, is to be sold to PG&E for \$2,500,000.

Transwestern asserts that these facilities are no longer necessary for it to transport gas for its merchant function and that PG&E will assume all future service obligations, and operational and economic responsibilities attached to these facilities. Transwestern avers that; (1) upon approval of the sale of these facilities, and (2) PG&E receiving a declaratory order from the Commission finding that the subject facilities, once conveyed, are intrastate pipeline facilities, exempt from jurisdiction under Section 2(16) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA), PG&E will integrate the subject facilities into its intrastate pipeline system and be able to provide a similar transportation service to shippers requesting service on the Gomez Lateral.

Transwestern also states that the sale of the Gomez Lateral is contingent upon approval of Northern Natural Gas Company's request for abandonment by sale to PG&E, of certain facilities that are in close proximity to and interconnected with the Gomez Lateral, as filed in Docket No. CP98-14-000.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before November 6, 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 proceedings. Any person wishing to become a 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 Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and 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 Transwestern 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. ER97-3561-001]

Virginia Electric & Power Company; Notice of Filing

October 16, 1997.

Take notice that on September 23, 1997, Virginia Electric & Power Company tendered for filing its compliance filing in the above-referenced docket.

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 October 28, 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. OA96-203-001]

Western Resources Inc.; Notice of Filing

October 16, 1997.

Take notice that on August 15, 1997, Western Resources Inc., tendered for filing its compliance filing in the above-referenced docket.

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 October 27, 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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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-400117; FRL-5750-6]

Public Meetings on the Toxics Release Inventory Reporting Form

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: EPA will hold approximately nine public meetings over the next year to solicit comments relating to the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) reporting form, Form R. The purpose of the meetings is to obtain comments from stakeholders on ways to improve the type of right-to-know information

available to communities and to help streamline right-to-know reporting to ease the paperwork burden for businesses affected by the requirements. This notice announces three upcoming meetings. Additional meeting dates will be announced in future **Federal Register** notices.

DATES: The meetings will take place:

1. Thursday, November 13, 1997, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, East Tower, Rm. 542, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC. Register to speak by 5 p.m., Friday, November 7, 1997.

2. Tuesday, November 18, 1997, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Marianas Conference Room, 75 Hawthorne St., San Francisco, CA. Register to speak by 5 p.m., Thursday, November 13, 1997.

3. Thursday, November 20, 1997, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. 325 (3rd floor), 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, IL. Register to speak by 5 p.m., Friday, November 14, 1997.

ADDRESSES: All comments should be sent in triplicate to: OPPT Document Control Officer (7407), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Room G-099, East Tower, Washington, DC 20460. Each comment must bear the docket control number "OPPTS-400117."

Comments and data may also be submitted electronically to: oppt.ncic@epamail.epa.gov. Follow the instructions under Unit II. of this document. No Confidential Business Information (CBI) should be submitted through e-mail.

All comments which contain information claimed as CBI must be clearly marked as such. Three sanitized copies of any comments containing information claimed as CBI must also be submitted and will be placed in the public record. Persons submitting information on any portion of which they believe is entitled to treatment as CBI by EPA must assert a business confidentiality claim in accordance with 40 CFR 2.203(b) for each such portion. This claim must be made at the time that the information is submitted to EPA. If a submitter does not assert a confidentiality claim at the time of submission, EPA will consider this as a waiver of any confidentiality claim and the information may be made available to the public by EPA without further notice to the submitter.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michelle Price, (Mail Stop 7408), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460;

Telephone: (202) 260-3372; Fax number: (202) 401-8142; e-mail: price.michelle@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

EPA will hold approximately nine public meetings over the next year to solicit comments relating to the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) reporting form, Form R. The purpose of the meetings is to obtain comments from stakeholders on ways to improve the type of right-to-know information available to communities and to help streamline right-to-know reporting to ease the paperwork burden for businesses affected by the requirements. Topics for comment include the following: format of the Form R; nomenclature used in the Form R; opportunities for burden reduction in both the Form R and the Form A; additional clarification of the elements in the Form R; and EPA's presentation of the data in public information documents.

The sections of the Form R that EPA would like specific comment on are sections 5, 6 and 8. In section 5, there have been a number of issues raised over the years with regard to the definition of "release," particularly with respect to Class I underground injection wells and RCRA Subtitle C landfills. Several commenters believe that EPA's interpretation of the EPCRA definition of "release" will lead to the misperception that a reported EPCRA section 313 "release" necessarily results in an actual exposure of people or the environment to a toxic chemical. The Agency would like to hear suggestions on ways to collect and disseminate the data that are consistent with the Agency's interpretation of the EPCRA definition of "release" and would address the concerns raised regarding public misperception.

There have also been a number of issues raised with regard to the reporting of toxic chemicals in wastes in section 8 of the Form R. Section 8 collects information on waste managed at the facility whether or not the waste was generated at the reporting facility. Some individuals are concerned about public misperception of the data in section 8 because of the focus on the amount of waste managed at the facility, not waste generated. EPA would like comments on ways to change section 8 of the Form R which would continue to allow the user to assess wastes managed by the facility but would minimize the perception that the wastes reported in section 8 were generated by the reporting facility.

On any of the above issues, EPA would like to receive specific comments