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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.

**Lois D. Cashell,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2674-003, Vermont]

#### Green Mountain Power Company; Notice of Intent To Conduct Public Scoping Meetings and Site Visit

November 20, 1997.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) received an application from the Green Mountain Power Company (Green Mountain or Applicant) to relicense the Vergennes Hydroelectric Project No. 2674-003. The 2.4-megawatt project is located on Otter Creek in the city of Vergennes, Addison County, Vermont. The Commission will hold public and agency scoping meetings on December 11, 1997, for preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for the issuance of a major license for the project.

#### Scoping Meetings

FERC staff will conduct one agency scoping meeting and one public meeting. The agency scoping meeting will focus on resource agency and non-governmental organization (NGO) concerns, while the public scoping meeting is primarily for public input. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend one or both of the meetings, and to assist the staff in identifying the scope of the environmental issues that

should be analyzed in the EA. The times and locations of these meetings are as follows:

#### Agency Scoping Meeting

Date: Thursday, December 11, 1997.

Time: From 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

Place: Vergennes Fire Station Meeting Room.

Address: Green Street, Vergennes, Vermont.

#### Public Scoping Meeting

Date: Thursday, December 11, 1997.

Time: From 7:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m.

Place: Vergennes Fire Station Meeting Room.

Address: Green Street, Vergennes, Vermont.

To help focus discussions, we will distribute a Scoping Document (SD1) outlining the subject areas to be addressed at the meeting to the parties on the Commission's mailing list. Copies of the SD1 also will be available at the scoping meetings.

#### Site Visits

The applicant and FERC staff will conduct a project site visit beginning at 1:00 p.m. on December 10, 1997. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend. All participants should meet at the Green Mountain Power Service Center, adjacent to the #9 Power House on Mechanic Street in Vergennes, Vermont. All participants are responsible for their own transportation to the site. Anyone with questions about the site visit should contact Mr. Michael Scarzello of Green Mountain at 802-660-5835.

#### Objectives

At the scoping meetings, the staff will: (1) summarize the environmental issues tentatively identified for analysis in the EA; (2) solicit from the meeting participants all available information, especially quantifiable data, on the resources at issue; (3) encourage statements from experts and the public on issues that should be analyzed in the EA, including viewpoints in opposition to, or in support of, the staff's preliminary views; (4) determine the relative depth of analysis for issues to be addressed in the EA; and (5) identify resource issues that are of lesser importance, and, therefore, do not require detailed analysis.

#### Procedures

The meetings will be recorded by a stenographer and will become part of the formal record of the Commission proceeding on the project. Individuals presenting statements at the meetings will be asked to sign in before the

meeting starts and to clearly identify themselves for the record. Speaking time for attendees at the meetings will be determined before the meeting, based on the number of persons wishing to speak and the approximate amount of time available for the session. All speakers will be provided at least 5 minutes to present their views.

Individuals, organizations, and agencies with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the meetings and to assist the staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in the EA.

Persons choosing not to speak at the meetings, but who have views on the issues, may submit written statements for inclusion in the public record at the meeting. In addition, written scoping comments may be filed with the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, until January 12, 1998. All filings should contain an original and eight copies, and must clearly show at the top of the first page "Vergennes Hydroelectric Project, FERC No. 2674-003."

For further information, please contact Lee Emery at (202) 219-2779.

**Lois D. Cashell,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-49-000]

#### Koch Gateway Pipeline Company; Notice of Report of Pooling Service

November 20, 1997.

Take notice that on November 14, 1997, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company (Koch) tendered for filing its report of the pooling service after one year of operation.

Koch states that this filing is being filed in compliance with Section 8 of the Pooling Rate Schedule (PS Rate Schedule). The Commission required Koch to file a report 45 days after the first year of operating experience. Koch states that the pooling service has been implemented successfully and that no changes are being proposed for this service at this time.

Koch states that copies of the filing are being served upon each of its customers, and other interested parties.

Any person desiring to be heard or protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission,

Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules of Practices and Procedure. All such motions or protests must be filed on or before November 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 in the Public Reference Room.

**Lois D. Cashell,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-8-001]

#### Mississippi River Transmission Corporation; Notice of Filing

November 20, 1997.

Take notice that on November 14, 1997, Mississippi River Transmission Corporation (MRT) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheet to be effective November 1, 1997:

Substitute Twenty-Third Revised Sheet No. 7

MRT states that this filing is being made to comply with the Commission's order dated October 30, 1997, in the above-referenced docket.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with 18 CFR 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. RP96-253-004]

#### Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

November 20, 1997.

Take notice that on November 18, 1997, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Sixth Revised Volume No. 1, Sixth Revised Sheet No. 20, to be effective December 1, 1997.

Natural states that the purpose of this filing is to implement a change in the currently effective rates applicable to Rate Schedule DSS to reflect Settlement factors in accordance with a July 5, 1996, order issued in Docket Nos. RP96-253-000 and 001.

Natural requested any waivers which may be required to permit the tendered tariff sheet to become effective on December 1, 1997.

Natural states that copies of the filing have been mailed to Natural's customers, interested state regulatory agencies, and all parties set out on the official service list at Docket No. RP96-253.

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 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. CP98-82-000]

#### Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

November 20, 1997.

Take notice that on November 12, 1997, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124-1000, filed a request with the Commission in Docket No. CP98-82-000, pursuant to Sections 157.205, and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for authorization to install and operate a new delivery point authorized in blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-401-000, all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Northern proposes to install and operate a new delivery point, located in Green County, Wisconsin, which would accommodate natural gas deliveries to Wisconsin Gas Company (WGC) to be used to serve a local residential customer. Northern states that the proposed volumes to be delivered for WGC would be 1 MMBtu on a peak day and 104 MMBtu on an annual basis. Northern further states that the estimated cost of constructing the proposed delivery point would be \$6,500.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after the Commission has issued this notice, 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 NGA (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the allowed time, 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 NGA.

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*Secretary.*

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