DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-326-000]

Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc.; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

April 9, 1998.

Take notice that on April 2, 1998, Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc. (Williams Central), Post Office Box 3288, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101, filed in Docket No. CP98-326-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.216) for permission and approval to abandon facilities used for the receipt of transportation gas from Westar Transmission Company (Westar) and the related service, at two locations in Hemphill County, Texas. Williams Central makes such request under its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-479-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

The Hemphill County facilities that Williams Central is proposing to abandon, were originally installed in 1989 (Setting #15033) and in 1994 (Setting #16349) to receive transportation gas from Westar. It is stated that Westar installed, at its own cost, the meter settings and, as a result, is the owner of the meter settings. Williams Central states that its facilities consist of the tap and appurtenant facilities.

It is averred that Westar has reclaimed meter #15033 and that Westar has informed Williams Central that they no longer have pipeline quality gas in their connecting line and thus plan to also reclaim meter #16349. Williams Central states that since Westar owns and will remove the meter setting, Williams Central's reclaim cost will be approximately \$250.

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protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of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

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. RP98-165-001 and RP89-183-079]

Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc.; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

April 9, 1998.

Take notice that on April 7, 1998, Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc. (Williams), tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheet, with the proposed effective date of May 1, 1998:

First Revised Sheet No. 38

Williams states that this filing is being made to revise its second quarter, 1998, report of take-or-pay buyout, buydown and contract reformation costs and gas supply related transition costs, made pursuant to Article 14 of the General Terms and Conditions of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1. Original Sheet No. 38 in that filing was inadvertently paginated incorrectly. First Revised Sheet No. 38 is being filed to correct the pagination.

Williams states that a copy of its filing was served on all participants listed on the service lists maintained by the Commission in the dockets referenced above and on all of Williams' jurisdictional customers and interested state commissions.

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 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 proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public

inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-180-000]

Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc.; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

April 9, 1998.

Take notice that on April 6, 1998, Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc. (Williams) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets:

First Revised Sheet Nos. 457, 458, 459 and 462

Williams states that it is filing a revised Form of Operational Balancing Agreement (OBA) to more closely conform to the GISB timelines, standards and terminology. The changes proposed in the attached tariff sheets and described below are nonsubstantive in nature. Throughout the proposed OBA, Williams has adopted the term "scheduled quantities" which is used in the GISB standards to refer to nominations which have been confirmed and scheduled by the pipeline. Williams will convert existing OBAs to the revised form if the holder desires.

Williams states that a copy of its filing was served on all of Williams' jurisdictional customers and interested state commissions.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or 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 proceedings. 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-104-000]

Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company; Notice of Further Technical Conference

April 9, 1998.

On April 7, 1998, pursuant to the January 30, 1998 order in this docket, ¹ staff convened a technical conference at which the parties addressed issues related to Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company's (Williston Basin) proposal to implement a paper pooling service. Parties in attendance requested that an additional technical conference be held.

Take notice that the second technical conference will be held on Monday, April 20, 1998, at 10:00 a.m., in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20426.

All interested parties and Staff are permitted to attend.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2375–013, Maine Project No. 8277–008, Maine]

International Paper Company; Otis Hydroelectric Company; Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment and Notice of Commission Staff Meeting

April 9, 1998.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR Part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Hydropower Licensing has reviewed the applications for major new licenses for

the Riley-Jay-Livermore Project and Otis Hydroelectric Project located on the Androscoggin River in Franklin, Androscoggin, and Oxford Counties, near the Towns of Canton, Jay, Livermore, and Livermore Falls, Maine, and has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for re-licensing the projects. In the DEA, the Commission's staff has analyzed the potential environmental impacts of the projects and has concluded that approval of the projects, with appropriate mitigative measures, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

Copies of the DEA are available for review in the Public Reference Branch, Room 2–A, of the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

In addition, Commission staff will hold a meeting, as follows, to discuss the Commission's DEA. All interested parties are welcome to attend this meeting.

Meeting Date: May 6, 1998 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Location: International Paper Forestry Building 9 Green St., Augusta, Maine 04330– 7443.

Comments on the DEA should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice and should be addressed to David P. Boergers, Acting Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. Please affix Project No. 2375–013 to all comments. For further information, please contact Monte J. TerHaar at (202) 219–2768 or Patti Leppert-Slack at (202) 219–2767.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2663-004, Minnesota]

Minnesota Power and Light Company; Notice of Availability of Final Environmental assessment

April 9, 1998.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR Part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Hydropower Licensing has reviewed the application for new license for the Pillager Hydroelectric Project, located

on the Crow Wing River in Cass and Morrison Counties, Minnesota, and has prepared a Final Environmental Assessment (FEA) for the project.

Copies of the FEA are available in the Public Reference Branch, Room 2–A, of the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

For further information, contact Chris Metcalf at (202) 219–2810.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Tendered for Filing with the Commission

April 9, 1998.

- a. *Type of Application:* Major Unconstructed License (Notice of Tendering).
 - b. Project No.: 11508-000.
 - c. Date Filed: March 27, 1998.
- d. *Applicant:* Alaska Power and Telephone Company.
- e. *Name of Project:* Wolf Lake Hydroelectric Project.
- f. Location: On Prince of Wales Island in Southeast Alaska, three miles north of the community of Hollis, in sections 23–26, 34 and 35, Range 84 East, Township 73 South.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791(a)–825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Robert S. Grimm, President, Alaska Power and Telephone Company, P.O. Box 3222, 191 Otto Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368, (306) 385–1733.
- i. FERC Contact: Carl Keller, (202) 219–2831.
- j. Brief Description of Project: The proposed project would consist of: (1) a 30- by 40-foot prefabricated metal powerhouse building along the right bank of Wolf Creek, having a single horizontal twin-jet Pelton turbine with an installed capacity of 2.2 megawatts; (2) a 6,000-foot-long, 22-inch-diameter steel and high density polyethlene chloride penstock; (3) a 15-foot-long, 10foot-wide, by 6-foot-deep tailrace channel; (4) a 50-foot-long intake structure having a screened 20-foot-long by 3-foot-high spillway; (5) a 3.5-acre impoundment; (6) a 12.5-kilovolt, 2.3mile-long overhead transmission line on wooden poles; (7) a 20-foot-wide by 2.3mile-long access road; and (8) other appurtenances.
- k. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the Alaska State

¹ Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company, 82 FERC ¶ 61.082 (1998).