

install and operate compression, and related appurtenant facilities, at the Hilight Processing Plant in Campbell County, Wyoming and at the Platte River Compressor Station in Converse County, Wyoming, in order to alleviate an existing capacity constraint on MIGC's system.

In the subject amendment, MIGC seeks to modify its original request for certificate authority by requesting authorization to install two 1610 hp reciprocating compression units at the Hilight Processing Plant in place of the two 1360 hp reciprocating compression units originally sought. In addition, MIGC requests authorization to install one 3300 hp centrifugal (gas turbine-driven) compression unit at the Platte River Compressor Station in place of the two 7042 hp reciprocating compression units originally requested.

MIGC states that the revised cost of the proposed project is estimated to be \$6,197,000. In addition, MIGC states that the request for rolled-in rate treatment for the facilities will not result in any rate increase to existing customers.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said amendment should on or before May 22, 1998, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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 proceeding. 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. All persons who have heretofore filed need to file again.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project Nos. 2901-000 and 2902-000]

#### **Nekoosa Packaging Corporation; Notice of Commission Staff Meeting With Nekoosa Packaging Corporation on Re-Licensing of Big Island and Holcomb Rock Hydroelectric Projects**

May 1, 1998.

Nekoosa Packaging Corporation (Nekoosa), a wholly owned subsidiary of Georgia-Pacific Corporation is preparing License Applications and a Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for the Big Island and Holcomb Rock Hydroelectric Projects (Project Nos. 2901 and 2902, respectively) located on the James River, in Bedford and Amherst Counties, Virginia. The DEA is being prepared in coordination with representatives from various federal, state and local agencies, non-governmental organizations, and local interest groups. The DEA and license applications will be filed with the Commission no later than December 31, 1998.

Nekoosa mailed a copy of Sections 5 and 6 of the preliminary DEA, and a copy of Scoping Document 2, to all parties, including the Commission, on April 27, 1998. Commission staff has reviewed the documents and will attend a meeting, as follows, to discuss and make recommendations to be included in the preliminary DEA.

Meeting Date: May 12, 1998, 9 a.m.

Location: Georgia-Pacific Corporation's big Island Mills compound, Highway 501 North, Big Island, Virginia 24526

Interested parties are welcome to attend this meeting. For further information please contact the following individuals:

C. Richard Judy, Nekoosa Packaging Corporation, Big Island, Virginia 24526, (804) 299-5911

James T. Griffin, Federal Energy Reg. Comm., 888 First Street, NE, Mailstop HL-11.3, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 219-2799

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. OA97-25-000, OA97-606-000, ER98-1890-000, ER98-2060-000, EL98-40-000]

#### **Northern States Power Company (Minnesota) and Northern States Power Company (Wisconsin); Notice of Initiation of Proceeding and Refund Effective Date**

May 1, 1998.

Take notice that on April 30, 1998, the Commission issued an order in the above-indicated dockets initiating a proceeding in Docket No. EL98-40-000 under section 206 of the Federal Power Act.

The refund effective date in Docket No. EL98-40-000 will be 60 days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-372-000]

#### **Northwest Pipeline Corporation; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization**

May 1, 1998.

Take notice that on April 23, 1998, Northwest Pipeline Corporation (Northwest), 295 Chipeta Way, Salt Lake City, Utah 84158-0900, filed in Docket No. CP98-372-000, a request, pursuant to §§ 157.205, 157.216, and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.216, and 157.211), for authorization to abandon by removal its existing Moses Lake Meter Station and its existing U&I Sugar Meter Station in Grant County, Washington and to construct and operate a new combined, replacement Moses Lake Meter Station at the same site to better accommodate existing natural gas delivery requirements to Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (Cascade), under Northwest's blanket certificate authorization issued in Docket No. CP82-433-000, pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Northwest reports that the new Moses Lake Meter Station will have a maximum design capacity of approximately 27,911 Dth per day at 300 psig, which is sufficient to accommodate the combined existing firm delivery obligations at the two existing meter stations. Northwest relates that the removed facilities will either be returned to stock, scrapped or salvaged for reuse in the new Moses Lake Meter Station. Northwest asserts that no abandonment of service will occur. Northwest states it has sent a copy of this filing to the Washington Transportation and Utilities Commission which has regulatory authority over gas deliveries to customers served through the affected delivery meters.

Northwest estimates the total cost of the proposed new Moses Lake Meter Station to be approximately \$556,809. Because this investment is necessary for Northwest to better accommodate existing delivery requirements to cascade, Northwest indicates that it will not require any cost reimbursement from Cascade.

Northwest states that any deliveries made to Cascade through the new Moses Lake Meter Station will be transportation gas delivered either for Cascade or other shippers for whom Northwest is authorized to transport gas. Northwest says that any volumes delivered to the Moses Lake delivery point will be within the authorized entitlement of such shippers. Northwest states that its tariff does not prohibit the addition or modification of delivery point facilities.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, 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 § 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 therefore, 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 No. ER97-4345-000]

#### OGE Energy Resources, Inc., Notice of Filing

May 1, 1998.

Take notice that on February 4, 1998, OGE Energy Resources, Inc. (OERI), filed a notification of a change in status to reflect certain departures from the facts the Commission relief upon in granting market-based rate authority.

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 and protests should be filed on or before May 11, 1998. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine 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.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-195-000]

#### Southwest Gas Storage Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

May 1, 1998.

Take notice that on April 28, 1998, Southwest Gas Storage Company (Southwest) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1 and Original Volume No. 2, the tariff sheets listed on Appendix A attached to the filing to be effective May 29, 1998.

Southwest states that the purpose of this filing is to move Rate Schedule S-1 from Southwest's Original Volume No. 1 tariff to Southwest's Original Volume No. 2 tariff. In accordance with Section 154.112 of the Commission's Regulations, Southwest is (1) modifying Sheet Nos. 1, 4 and 5 of its Original Volume No. 1 FERC Gas Tariff to delete Rate Schedule S-1 and (2) resubmitting the contents of Rate Schedule S-1 as its Original Volume No. 2 FERC Gas Tariff. The text of Rate Schedule S-1 is unchanged. This tariff filing will segregate Southwest's open access Rate Schedules FSS and ISS from its individually certificated service provided under Rate Schedule S-1.

Southwest is also including on the electronic version of the Original Volume No. 1 tariff sheets, three sheets to complete the Commission's FASTR database for Southwest's Original Volume No. 1 tariff—the Title Page, Original Sheet No. 2 and Original Sheet No. 3.

Southwest states that copies of this filing are being served on all affected customers and applicable state regulatory agencies.

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. ER98-1767-002]

#### Tenaska Frontier Partners, Ltd.; Notice of Filing

May 1, 1998.

Take notice that on April 8, 1998, Tenaska Frontier Partners, Ltd., filed