

utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

The estimate of cost for respondents is based upon salaries for professional and clerical support, as well as direct and indirect overhead costs. Direct costs include all costs directly attributable to providing this information, such as administrative costs and the cost for information technology. Indirect or overhead costs are costs incurred by an organization in support of its mission. These costs apply to activities which benefit the whole organization rather than any one particular function or activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology *e.g.* permitting electronic submission of responses.

Linwood A Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2035-006, CO]

City and County of Denver, CO; Notice of Application and Applicant-Prepared EA Accepted for Filing; Notice Requesting Interventions and Protests; and Notice Requesting Comments, Final Terms and Conditions, Recommendations and Prescriptions

June 23, 1998.

The Applicant, the City and County of Denver, Colorado acting by and through its Board of Water Commissioners (Denver Water), proposes to continue to operate and maintain its existing Gross Reservoir Project and to construct a hydroelectric generating facility with a capacity of not more than 5 megawatts (MW) at the project. The Gross Reservoir Project is on South Boulder Creek in Boulder County, Colorado. The project is located partially on lands of the United States administered by the U.S. Forest Service, Roosevelt National Forest, and the Bureau of Land Management.

The existing project consists of: (1) a 340-foot-high concrete gravity dam with a crest length of 1,050 feet; (2) a reservoir with a surface area of 418 acres with 2-foot-high flashboards on the dam spillway; and (3) a valve house, located downstream from the spillway apron, containing discharge valves that release flows onto a reinforced-concrete splash pad. The applicant proposes to install the following facilities: (1) a powerhouse, reconstructed out of the existing valve house, containing one turbine-generator unit with an installed capacity not to exceed 5 MW; (2) a switchyard, located between the dam and the powerhouse; and (3) a 25-kilovolt (kV), 1-mile-long transmission line, interconnecting to the Public Service Company of Colorado system and replacing an existing 4.16-kV distribution line.

The purpose of this notice is to: (1) update interested parties on the Gross Reservoir Project application process status; (2) inform all interested parties that the Gross Reservoir applicant-prepared environmental assessment (EA) and final license application filed with the Commission on April 29, 1998, are hereby accepted; (3) invite interventions and protests; and (4) solicit comments, final recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions on Denver Water's EA and final license application.

Applicant-Prepared EA Process and Gross Reservoir Project Schedule

The Energy Policy Act of 1992 (Act) gives the Commission the authority to allow the filing of an applicant-prepared EA with a license application. The Act also directs the Commission to institute procedures, including pre-application consultations, to advise applicants of studies or other information foreseeably required by the Commission.

On September 10, 1996, the Director, Office of Hydropower Licensing, waived or amended certain of the Commission's regulations to allow for the processes of license application and applicant-prepared EA preparation to be coordinated.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) scoping was conducted on the project through scoping documents issued October 17, 1996, and March 19, 1997, and in public scoping meetings on November 7, 1996. On December 15, 1997, Denver Water issued for comment a draft license application and preliminary draft EA. On April 29, 1998, Denver Water filed with the Commission the final license application and applicant-prepared EA, copies of which can be obtained from Denver Water.

Commission staff have determined that some additional information is needed from Denver Water, which is due on July 10, 1998 (except for engineering drawings of Gross dam, which are due on August 9, 1998). Once that information is received, staff will complete and issue a draft EA for comment. Staff anticipate issuing their draft EA by the end of 1998, and intend on incorporating final comments into the staff draft EA. The deadline for filing comments on the application pursuant to this notice takes into account the staff additional information request. Therefore, commenters should have sufficient time to review Denver Water's additional information before filing final comments.

Interventions and Protests

All such filings must: (1) bear in all capital letters the title "MOTION TO INTERVENE", (2) set forth in the heading the name of the Applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 19 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from Denver Water. All motions to intervene must be received 60 days from the date of this notice. A copy of

any motion to intervene or protest must be served on each representative of Denver Water specified in the final application.

Comments, Final Terms and Conditions, Recommendations and Prescriptions

Interested parties have 60 days from the date of this notice to file with the Commission any final comments, final recommendations, terms and conditions and prescriptions for the Gross Reservoir Project. Denver Water will have 45 days to respond to those.

Filing Requirements

The above documents must be filed by providing an original and 8 copies as required by the Commission's regulations to: Acting Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. MG98-12-000]

Gulf States Transmission Corporation; Notice of Filing

June 23, 1998.

Take notice that on June 15, 1998, Gulf States Transmission Corporation (Gulf States) submitted standards of conduct under Order Nos. 497 *et seq.*¹ and order Nos. 566 *et seq.*² Gulf States

¹ Order no. 497, 53 FR 22139 (June 14, 1988), FERC Stats. & Regs. 1986-1990 ¶ 30,820 (1988); Order No. 497-A, *Order on rehearing*, 54 FR 52781 (December 22, 1989), FERC Stats & Regs. 1986-1990 ¶ 30,868 (1989); Order No. 497-B, *order extending sunset date*, 55 FR 53291 (December 28, 1990), FERC Stats & Regs. 1986-1990 ¶ 30,908 (1980); Order No. 497-C, *order extending sunset date*, 57 FR 9 (January 2, 1992), FERC Stats & Regs. 1991-1996 ¶ 30,934 (1991), rehearing denied, 57 FR 5815 (February 18, 1992), 58 FERC ¶ 61,139 (1992); *Tenneco Gas v. FERC* (affirmed in part and remanded in part), 969 F.2d 1187 (D.C. Cir. 1992); Order No. 497-D, *order on remand and extending sunset date*, FERC Stats & Regs. 1991-1996 ¶ 30,958 (December 14, 1992), 57 FR 58978 (December 14, 1992); Order No. 497-E, *order on rehearing and extending sunset date*, 59 FR 243 (January 4, 1994), 65 FERC ¶ 61,381 (December 23, 1993); Order No. 497-F, *order denying rehearing and granting clarification*, 59 FR 15336 (April 1, 1994), 66 FERC ¶ 61,347 (March 24, 1994); and Order No. 497-G, *order extending sunset date*, 59 FR 32884 (June 27, 1994), FERC Stats & Regs. 1991-1996 ¶ 30,996 (June 17, 1994).

² Standards of Conduct and Reporting Requirements for Transportation and Affiliate Transactions, Order No. 566, 59 FR 32885 (June 27, 1994), FERC Stats & Regs. 1991-1996 ¶ 30,997 (June

states that it is filing its standards of conduct to reflect El Paso Energy Corporation's recent acquisition of Gulf States.

Gulf States states that it has served copies of the filing upon all of its affected customers and state regulatory commissions.

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 or 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 or 385.214). All such motions to intervene or protest should be filed on or before July 8, 1998. 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-617-000]

Koch Gateway Pipeline Company; Notice of Application

June 23, 1998.

Take notice that on June 16, 1998, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company (Koch), P.O. Box 1478, Houston, Texas 77251 filed a request pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations to abandon an obsolete natural gas transportation service authorized in Docket No. CP78-494¹ for Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia Gas). The application is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Koch proposes to abandon an obsolete transportation service formally provided to Columbia Gas pursuant to Koch's Rate Schedule X-111. Koch states that Columbia Gas concurs with the

17, 1994); Order No. 566-A, *order on rehearing*, 59 FR 52896 (October 20, 1994), 69 FERC ¶ 61,044 (October 14, 1994); Order No. 566-B, *order on rehearing*, 59 FR 65707 (December 21, 1994), 69 FERC ¶ 61,334 (December 14, 1994).

¹ See, 5 FERC ¶ 61,173 (1978).

proposed abandonment and that no facilities are proposed to be abandoned.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before July 14, 1998, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., 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 385.211 and 385.214) 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 any proceeding herein 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 Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the 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 permission and approval for the proposed abandonment are required by the public convenience and necessity. If no motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that 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 Koch to appear or to be represented at the hearing.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-621-000]

National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

June 23, 1998.

Take notice that on June 16, 1998, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (National Fuel), 10 Lafayette Square, Buffalo, New York 14203, filed in Docket No. CP98-621-000 a request