

water balance model for application to the PVP EIS.

For additional information on this workshop, please contact the FERC Project Manager, Dr. John M. Mudre at (202) 219-1208.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project Nos. 10942-001 and 10416-003]

Skykomish River Hydro, Washington Hydro Develop. Corp.; Notice of Meetings

July 16, 1998.

A meeting will be convened by staff of the Office of Hydropower Licensing on Tuesday, August 11, 1998, at 10:00 a.m. at the Lynwood City Hall, 19100 44th Avenue West, Lynwood, Washington. The purpose of this meeting is to learn the status of the applicant's response to the Commission's March 19, 1998, additional information request on the proposed Martin Creek Project (P-10942-001). In particular, the meeting will focus on the project's consistency with the President's Forest Plan.

Following the first meeting, the Commission will attend a meeting at the same location on the proposed licensing of the Anderson Creek Project (P-10416-003). The meeting will involve the Forest Service and the applicant, Washington Hydro Development Corporation, who will discuss the possibility of redesigning the project to minimize environmental impacts.

If you have any questions concerning these matters, please contact Mr. Carl Keller at (202) 219-2831 or e-mail at carl.keller@ferc.fed.us, or Mr. Alan Mitchnick at (202) 219-2826 or e-mail at alan.mitchnick@ferc.fed.us.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-659-000]

Texas Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

July 16, 1998.

Take notice that on July 8, 1998, Texas Gas Transmission Corporation (Applicant), 3800 Frederica Street, Owensboro, Kentucky, 42304, filed in docket No. CP98-659-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.216(b) of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.216) for approval to abandon a receipt meter located in Hopkins County, Kentucky, under Applicant's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-407-000, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Applicant proposes to abandon by removal the Reynolds-Narge Creek receipt meter station, which was constructed in 1992. Applicant asserts that it is requesting such authorization because the producer has discontinued deliveries of natural gas at this meter. Applicant further asserts that the producer, Wiser Oil Company (Wiser), which had been delivering natural gas to this meter, has been acquired by Orbit Gas Company (Orbit), and the natural gas from Wiser's wells in this area is now being delivered to Orbit. It is also asserted that Wiser has cut and capped its line to the meter station.

Any person or the Commission's Staff may, within 45 days of the issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214), a motion to intervene 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 activities 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 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.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. GP98-38-000]

Vastar Gas Marketing, Inc. and Atlantic Richfield Company; Notice of Petition for Dispute Resolution

July 16, 1998.

Take notice that, on July 7, 1998, Vastar Gas Marketing, Inc. (VGM) and Atlantic Richfield Company (ARCO) filed a petition requesting the Commission to resolve VGM and ARCO's dispute with El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso) over El Paso's revised \$3,619,181.55 Kansas ad valorem tax refund claim in Docket No. RP98-44-000. VGM and ARCO seek rulings: 1) That VGM has no Kansas ad valorem tax refund liability to El Paso; 2) that El Paso has failed to substantiate its refund claim against ARCO and, therefore, that ARCO has no Kansas ad valorem tax refund obligation to El Paso; and 3) that El Paso waived any refund claim attributable to Kansas ad valorem tax overcharges in a March 1, 1988 settlement with ARCO Oil & Gas Company. In the alternative, if the Commission finds that ARCO does owe Kansas ad valorem tax refunds to El Paso, VGM and ARCO request a ruling that such refund liability is limited to ARCO's own working interest and the attributable royalties. VGM and ARCO's petition is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

The Commission, by order issued September 10, 1997, in Docket No. RP97-369-000 *et al.*,¹ on remand from the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals,² required First Sellers to refund Kansas ad valorem tax reimbursements to pipelines, with interest, for the period from 1983 to 1988. In its January 28, 1998 Order Clarifying Procedures [82 FERC ¶ 61,059 (1998)], the Commission stated that producers (i.e., First Sellers) could file dispute resolution requests with the Commission, asking the Commission to resolve the dispute with

¹ See 80 FERC ¶ 61,264 (1997); order denying rehearing issued January 28, 1998, 82 FERC ¶ 61,058 (1998).

² *Public Service Company of Colorado v. FERC*, 91 F.3d 1478 (D.C. 1996), cert. denied, Nos. 96-954 and 96-1230 (65 U.S.L.W. 3751 and 3754, May 12, 1997).

the pipeline over the amount of Kansas ad valorem tax refunds owed.

Any person desiring to comment on or make any protest with respect to the above-referenced petition should, on or before August 6, 1998, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C., 20426, a motion to intervene or protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 and 385.211). 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 the proceeding, or to participate as a party in any hearing therein, must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. MT98-14-000]

Warren Transportation, Inc.; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

July 16, 1998.

Take notice that on July 13, 1998, Warren Transportation, Inc. (WTI), tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, the following proposed tariff sheet, with an effective date of August 14, 1998:

First Revised Sheet No. 190

WTI states that it is submitting this tariff sheet to clarify Section 22 of its tariff as a result of an order issued by the Commission in Docket No. MG98-9-000 on June 12, 1998. WTI states that because of the June 12 Order, it is filing to remove nonoperating personnel from the tariff provision that designates shared employees.

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.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6127-8]

Toxic Release Inventory; Submission of ICR No. 1704.04 to OMB; Agency Information Collection Activities

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Submission to OMB.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) entitled: Alternate Threshold for Low Annual Reportable Amounts, Toxic Chemical Release Reporting [EPA ICR No. 1704.04; OMB Control No. 2070-0143] has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval pursuant to the OMB procedures in 5 CFR 1320.12. The ICR, which is abstracted below, describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated cost and burden.

The Agency is requesting that OMB renew for 3 years the existing approval for this ICR, which is scheduled to expire on August 31, 1998. A **Federal Register** notice announcing the Agency's intent to seek the renewal of this ICR and the 60-day public comment opportunity, requesting comments on the request and the contents of the ICR, was issued on December 24, 1997 (62 FR 67358). EPA received comments on this ICR during the comment period, and has addressed the comments in the body of the ICR submitted to OMB.

DATES: Additional comments may be submitted on or before August 21, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY

CONTACT: Sandy Farmer at EPA by phone on (202) 260-2740, by e-mail: "farmer.sandy@epamail.epa.gov," or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr/icr.htm> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1704.04.

ADDRESSES: Send comments, referencing EPA ICR No. 1704.04 and OMB Control No. 2070-0143, to the following addresses:

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Regulatory Information Division (Mailcode: 2137), 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20460; and to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20503.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Review Requested: This is a request to renew a currently approved information collection pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12.

ICR Numbers: EPA ICR No. 1704.04; OMB Control No. 2070-0143.

Current Expiration Date: Current OMB approval expires on August 31, 1998.

Title: Alternate Threshold for Low Annual Reportable Amounts, Toxic Chemical Release Reporting.

Abstract: EPCRA section 313 requires certain facilities manufacturing, processing or otherwise using certain toxic chemicals in excess of specified threshold quantities to report their environmental releases of such chemicals annually. Each such facility must file a separate report for each such chemical. In accordance with the authority in EPCRA, EPA has established an alternate threshold for those facilities with low amounts of a listed toxic chemical in wastes. A facility that otherwise meets the current reporting thresholds but estimates that the total amount of the chemical in production-related waste does not exceed 500 pounds per year, and that the chemical was manufactured, processed or otherwise used in an amount not exceeding 1 million pounds during the reporting year, can take advantage of reporting under the alternate threshold option for that chemical for that reporting year.

Each qualifying facility that chooses to apply the revised threshold must file the Form A (EPA Form 9350-2) in lieu of a complete TRI reporting Form R (EPA Form 9350-1). In submitting the Form A, the facility certifies that the sum of the amount of each EPCRA section 313 chemical or chemicals did not exceed 500 pounds in total production-related waste for the reporting year, and that each chemical was manufactured, processed or otherwise used in an amount not exceeding 1 million pounds during the reporting year. EPA estimates that using the alternate threshold may save reporting facilities up to 487,000 hours, with a dollar value of \$29 million, compared to the cost of reporting on Form R.

The primary function served by the submission of the Form A is to satisfy