

DATES AND TIMES: Monday, October 26, 1998—8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 27, 1998—8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Gaithersburg Hilton, 620 Perry Parkway, Gaithersburg, MD 20877.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia Dehmer; Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee; U.S. Department of Energy; ER-10, GTN; 19901 Germantown Road; Germantown, MD 20874-1290; Telephone: (301) 903-5565.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: The Committee will provide advice and guidance with respect to the basic energy sciences research program.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include discussions of the following:

- BESAC High Flux Isotope Reactor (HFIR) Review Report
- BESAC 4th Generation Light Source Panel Update
- BESAC Complex and Collective Phenomena Update

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. The Chairperson of the Committee is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will, in her judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Any member of the public who wishes to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Patricia Dehmer at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received at least five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation on the agenda. Public comment will follow the 10 minute rule.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room; 1E-190, Forrestal Building; 1000 Independence Avenue, SW; Washington, DC 20585; between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Issued in Washington, DC on September 16, 1998.

Althea T. Vanzego,

Acting Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER98-3774-000]

Choctaw Generation Limited Partnership; Notice of Issuance of Order

September 17, 1998.

Choctaw Generation Limited Partnership (Choctaw), a Delaware limited partnership, and wholly-owned subsidiary of Tractebel Power, Inc., a Delaware corporation, which is in turn an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Tractebel, S.A., a Belgian energy services corporation, filed an application to engage in wholesale power sales at market-based rates, and for certain waivers and authorizations. In particular, Choctaw requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liabilities by Choctaw. On September 15, 1998, the Commission issued an Order Accepting For Filing Proposed Market-Based Rates (Order), in the above-docketed proceeding.

The Commission's September 15, 1998, Order granted the request for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the conditions found in Ordering Paragraphs (C), (D), and (F):

(C) Within 30 days of the date of this order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the Commission's blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities by Choctaw 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 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures, 18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214.

(D) Absent a request to be heard within the period set forth in Ordering Paragraph (C) above, Choctaw is hereby authorized to issue securities and assume obligations and liabilities as guarantor, indorser, surety or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issue or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of Choctaw, compatible with the public interest, and reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

(F) The Commission reserves the right to modify this order to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued Commission approval of Choctaw's issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities * * *.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is October 15, 1998.

Copies of the full text of the Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-400-000]

Crossroads Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

September 17, 1998.

Take notice that on September 14, 1998, Crossroads Pipeline Company (Crossroads) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, with an effective date of August 1, 1998:

Third Revised Sheet No. 39
Third Revised Sheet No. 76
First Revised Sheet No. 76.1

Crossroad states that the filing is being filed to comply with Order No. 587-G, Standards of Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines issued on April 16, 1998 in Docket No. RM96-1-007, 83 FERC ¶ 61,029. Crossroads states that the revised tariff sheet included herewith reflects Version 1.2 standards promulgated by the Gas Industry Standards Board which were adopted by the Commission and incorporated by reference in the Commission's Regulations. Specifically, in addition to upgrading the version of previously adopted standards, newly adopted Standards 1.4.6, 2.4.6, 4.3.5, 4.3.16 and 5.3.30 are incorporated by reference and Standard 4.3.4 has been deleted.

Crossroad states that copies of its filing are being served on all affected customers, applicable state regulatory agencies and all parties to this proceeding.

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

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-771-000]

Florida Gas Transmission Company and Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation; Notice of Joint Application

September 17, 1998.

Take notice that on September 10, 1998, Florida Gas Transmission Company (FGT), 1400 Smith Street, P.O. Box 1188, Houston, Texas 77251-1888 and Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation (Texas Eastern), 5400 Westheimer Court, Houston, Texas 77056-5310, filed in Docket No. CP98-771-000 a request pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act for permission and approval to abandon a gas exchange service agreement dated May 24, 1973 (May 24th Agreement), all as more fully set forth in the application on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

FGT and Texas Eastern state that the May 24th Agreement was approved by the Federal Power Commission in Docket No. CP74-56 and that it provided for the exchange of gas between the parties at points of interconnection between FGT's and Texas Eastern's facilities in Matagorda County, Texas, St. Laundry Parish, Louisiana, and Pointe Coupee Parish, Louisiana. FGT and Texas Eastern also state that the May 24th Agreement has not been used since prior to June 1, 1993.

FGT and Texas Eastern state that in compliance with Part 154 of the Commission's Regulations, FGT filed the May 24th Agreement as Rate Schedule E-9 in its FERC Gas Tariff Original Volume No. 3, and that Texas Eastern filed the May 24th Agreement as Rate Schedule X-72 in its FERC Gas Tariff Original Volume No. 2.

FGT and Texas Eastern also state that the proposed abandonment will not result in the abandonment of any facilities; will not result in the abandonment of service to any customers; and will not disadvantage any customers.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before October 8, 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 385.214 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 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.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory 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 a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a 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 FGT or Texas Eastern to appear or be represented at the hearing.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-401-000]

Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P.; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

September 17, 1998.

Take notice that on September 15, 1998, Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P. (Iroquois) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheets, with an effective date of October 17, 1998:

Twentieth Revised Sheet No. 4

Fifth Revised Sheet No. 46

Second Revised Sheet No. 46A

Seventh Revised Sheet No. 47

Iroquois states that the instant filing is designed to convert its tariff and rates from a volumetric to a thermal basis. According to Iroquois, TransCanada PipeLines has announced that it will restate its contracts in terms of energy by using an average heating value for the 1997 calendar year; the heating value for deliveries to Iroquois during that time is 1.011693. Iroquois proposes to use this conversion factor in its tariff to simplify the conversion process across the two pipelines. Because its demand rates are based in part upon an assumed 1-to-1 conversion factor, Iroquois has also restated its rates (as approved by the Commission on August 31, 1998 in Docket No. RP97-126) to ensure that this conversion to energy does not adversely impact any customer on a financial basis.

Iroquois states that copies of its filing were served on all jurisdictional customers and interested state commissions.

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