relocate an existing Solar Centaur gas turbine (Unit No. 6) from its Clendenin Compressor Station to its Smithfield Compressor Station. Subsequently, Columbia has determined that it should retain Unit No. 6 at Clendenin for continued standby service.

Columbia now proposes herein to amend its certificate to modify the 1999 Smithfield compressor project by installing a new Solar Taurus 7,170 horsepower (ISO) gas turbine/ compressor and abandoning an existing Solar Centaur 3,830 horsepower gas turbine/compressor. The existing Smithfield Centaur unit will be returned to Solar, Inc. (Solar) as an exchange for credit toward the purchase of the Taurus unit. Columbia states that this proposed modification to the Smithfield project results from further design, operating and cost analysis performed by Columbia's engineering personnel, and; this proposal will allow Columbia to fully benefit from the increased efficiency of a new generation Solar Taurus/C-40 compressor package. Columbia states the Centaur/C-30 units are less efficient than a Taurus/C-40 package. Columbia anticipates future operation and maintenance cost savings will result from more efficient compressor operations.

The revised estimated investment cost of \$8,567,200 for the Smithfield project results in an approximate increase of \$465,000 in 1995 dollars of the estimated Gross Investment for the MEP.

Any person desiring to participate in a hearing process or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before November 19, 1998, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 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 action to be taken, but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceedings. The Commission's rules require that protesters provide copies of their protests to the party or parties directly involved. 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.

A person obtaining intervenor status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by every one of its intervenors. An

intervenor can file for rehearing of any Commission order and can petition for court review of any such order. However, an intervenor must submit copies of comments or any other filing it makes with the Commission to every other intervenor in the proceeding, as well as 14 copies with the Commission.

A person does not have to intervene, however, in order to have comments considered. A person, instead, may submit two copies of comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of environmental documents and will be able to participate in meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission and will not have the right to seek rehearing or appeal the Commission's final order to a federal

The Commission will consider all comments and concerns equally, whether filed by commenters or those requesting intervenor status.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in a subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and 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 a grant of the certificate is 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 Columbia 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. ER98-4400-000]

Pittsfield Generating Company, L.P.; Notice of Issuance of Order

October 30, 1998.

Pittsfield Generating Company, L.P. (Pittsfield), an affiliate of Pacific Gas & Electric Company, filed an application for Commission authorization to engage in wholesale power sales at market-based rates, and for certain waivers and authorizations. In particular, Pittsfield requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liabilities by Pittsfield. On October 29, 1998, the Commission issued an Order Accepting For Filing Proposed Market-Based Rates (Order), in the above-docketed proceeding.

The Commission's October 29, 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 Pittsfield 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 Procedure, 18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214.

(D) Absent a request to be heard within the period set forth in Ordering Paragraph (C) above, Pittsfield is hereby authorized, pursuant to section 204 of the FPA, 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 Pittsfield, 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 Pittsfield'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 November 30, 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. TM99-1-29-000]

Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

October 29, 1998.

Take notice that on October 26, 1998 Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, Seventeenth Revised Sheet No. 50. The tariff sheet is proposed to be effective November 1, 1998.

Transco states that the purpose of the instant filing is to track fuel changes attributable to transportation service purchased from Texas Gas Transmission Corporation (Texas Gas) under its Rate Schedule FT the costs of which are included in the rates and charges payable under Transco's Rate Schedule FT–NT. The filing is being made pursuant to tracking provisions under Section 4 of Transco's Rate Schedule FT–NT.

Included in Appendix B attached to the filing is the explanation of the fuel changes and details regarding the computation of the revised Rate Schedule FT–NT fuel percentages.

Transco states that copies of the filing are being mailed to each of its FT-NT 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

inspection in the Public Reference Room.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. EC98-66-000 and ER98-4705-000]

USGen New England, Inc.; Notice of Filing

October 29, 1998.

Take notice that on October 27, 1998, USGen New England, Inc. tendered for filing an amendment to the Application filed in the above-referenced dockets. The amendment informs the Commission that one of the owner lessors and one of the owner participants previously identified in the Application will no longer participate in the proposed sale-leaseback of the Bear Swamp Project.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such 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 Rule 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions and protests should be filed on or before November 6, 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.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-98-000]

Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company; Notice of Tariff Filing

October 29, 1998.

Take notice that on October 26, 1998, Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company (Williston Basin), tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheet to become effective October 1, 1998:

Sixth Revised Sheet No. 321

Williston Basin states that it has determined that the take-or-pay amounts associated with Docket No. RP93–175–000 have been fully recovered as of September 30, 1998. As a result, the instant tariff sheet reflects the elimination of the fixed monthly surcharge associated with Docket No. RP93–175–000, effective October 1, 1998.

Further, Williston Basin states that it is filing as Exhibit A of Appendix C of the instant filing, the final reconciliation of the monthly fixed surcharge in Docket No. RP93–175–000, pursuant to Section 37 of the General Terms and Conditions of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1.

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

Notice Accepting Application for Filing and Requesting Interventions and Protests

October 29, 1998.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. *Type of Application:* New Minor License

b. *Project No.:* 597–003c. *Date Filed:* June 24, 1998

d. Applicant: PacifiCorp