

radiotracer detection in the study, diagnosis and treatment of human diseases and disorders; (2) to develop new instrumentation for biological and medical research; and (3) to develop new concepts and techniques for detecting and measuring the hazardous agents of biochemical, physical and environmental consequences related to energy production.

Program Contact: (301) 903-3213.

#### (c) *Environmental Remediation*

The objectives of the program relate to environmental processes affected by energy production and use. The program develops information on the physical, chemical and biological processes that cycle and transport energy-related material, particularly contaminates that arose during nuclear weapons production, through the Earth's surface and subsurface. Emphasis is put on the development of a strong basis for understanding and implementing the appropriate and efficient use of bioremediation, particularly at the Department's sites.

Program Contact: (301) 903-3281.

#### (d) *Environmental Processes*

This program addresses global environmental change from increases in atmospheric carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases. The scope of the global change program encompasses the carbon cycle, climate modeling and diagnostics, atmospheric sciences and meteorology, ecosystem responses, and impacts on resources. The role of clouds and radiation in climate prediction is a particular emphasis.

Program Contact: (301) 903-3281.

#### 6. *Energy Research Analyses*

This program supports energy research analyses of the Department's basic and applied research activities. Specific objectives include assessments to identify any duplication or gaps in scientific research activities, and impartial and independent evaluations of scientific and technical research efforts.

Program Contact: (202) 586-7021.

#### 7. *Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR)*

The objective of the EPSCoR program is to enhance the capabilities of EPSCoR states to conduct nationally competitive energy-related research and to develop science and engineering manpower to meet current and future needs in energy-related fields. This program addresses research needs across all of the Department of Energy research interests. Research supported by the EPSCoR program is concerned with the

same broad research areas addressed by the Office of Science programs that are described above. The EPSCoR program is restricted to applications which originate in eighteen states (Alabama, Arkansas, Idaho, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Vermont, West Virginia, and Wyoming) and the commonwealth of Puerto Rico. It is anticipated that in Fiscal Year 1999, only a limited number of new competitive research grants will be awarded under this program due to prior commitments to ongoing EPSCoR grant projects.

Program Contact: (301) 903-3427.

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**John Rodney Clark,**

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Office of Science.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP99-37-000]

#### Town of Colorado City, Arizona; Notice of Petition for Declaratory Order

November 5, 1998.

Take notice that on October 27, 1998, the Town of Colorado City, Arizona (Colorado City), P.O. Box 70, Colorado City, Arizona 86021 filed a petition for the declaratory order addressing the question of the Commission's jurisdiction over Questar Gas Company (Questar) as it relates to Questar providing a natural gas transportation service for Colorado City, all as more fully set forth in the application on file with the Commission an open to public inspection.

It is stated that Colorado City is in the process of establishing a municipal gas distribution system to serve residential, commercial and industrial customers. It is asserted that Colorado City has determined that it can obtain natural gas supply from sources outside of Arizona and have the gas transported by interstate pipelines. Colorado City states that it has requested Questar to transport gas from its system in Utah to an interconnection, located in Hurricane, Utah, with the facilities of the City of Hildale, Utah (Hildale). It is explained that Colorado City has an agreement with Hildale for transportation to Hildale, Utah, which is located on the Arizona border. Colorado

City asserts that Questar presently transports gas from interstate sources to the Hildale Electric Power Plant, an end-user. It is explained that Colorado City sent a letter December 7, 1998, to Questar requesting transportation service to Hildale for use in Colorado City's distribution system in Arizona. It is further explained that Questar refused this request in a letter sent on January 5, 1998, stating that Questar is not in the business of transporting gas for resale.

In this petition, Colorado City requests that the Commission issue a declaratory order which addresses the question of whether the Commission has exclusive jurisdiction to order Questar to provide an interstate transportation service through its pipeline facilities in Utah to Colorado City's facilities in Arizona.

Colorado City requests a determination as to whether Questar's refusal to provide such a service is in violation of the Commission's Regulations in light of Colorado City's assertion that Questar is transporting similar gas for use in a municipal electric plant. Colorado City requests a determination as to whether it can file an application under Section 7(a) of the Natural Gas Act requesting the Commission to compel Questar to provide the requested service.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before November 27, 1998, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 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.

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 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 Colorado City 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. CP99-44-000]

#### Colorado Interstate Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

November 5, 1998.

Take notice that on October 29, 1998, Colorado Interstate Gas Company (CIG), P.O. Box 1087, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80944, filed in Docket No. CP99-44-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.211) for authorization to construct a new meter station, located in Huerfano County, Colorado, for delivery of gas to Petroglyph Energy, Inc. (Petroglyph), under CIG's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83-21-000, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

CIG proposes to construct a new delivery facility to be located in Section 9, Township 29 South, Range 67 West, Huerfano County, Colorado. CIG states that the new facility will consist of a two-inch meter run and appurtenant facilities for the delivery of gas to Petroglyph, a producer, for start up fuel gas for their compression facility.

CIG declares that the delivery facility will be capable of delivering up to 8,000 Mcf per day. CIG asserts that the proposed facility will not have an impact on CIG's peak day and annual deliveries as the service will be provided on an interruptible basis and only when start up fuel gas is required.

CIG states that the proposed delivery facility will cost an estimated \$6,000.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file 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 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 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.

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP99-41-000]

#### Florida Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

November 5, 1998.

Take notice that on October 29, 1998, Florida Gas Transmission Company (FGT), 1400 Smith Street, Houston, Texas 77002, filed in Docket No. CP99-41-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.212) for authorization to construct, own and operate a new delivery point on FGT's 36-inch mainline to accommodate natural gas deliveries to Clark-Mobile Counties Gas District (Clark-Mobile), in Mobile County, Alabama. FGT makes such request under its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-553-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the Commission.

FGT proposes to construct, own, and operate a new delivery point on FGT's 36-inch mainline on the discharge side of Compressor Station 11, to accommodate the transportation of natural gas to Clark-Mobile's Mount Vernon B Meter Station (Mt. Vernon B). FGT states that it will own an 8-inch hot tap on its 36-inch mainline, 250 feet of 6-inch connecting lateral and electronic flow measurement facilities, and that Clark-Mobile will construct and own the Mt. Vernon B meter station and regulator station. It is indicated that Clark-Mobile requested this additional tap on the discharge side of FGT's 36-

inch mainline to allow delivery of gas to Clark-Mobile at a higher pressure to serve customers requiring higher pressures than FGT can deliver from the suction side of Compressor Station 11.

The maximum gas quantity that FGT will deliver into the existing meter station is 28,800 MMBtu per day or 10,512,000 MMBtu per year to serve an interruptible load to Clark-Mobile's customers. It is averred that the end use of the gas will primarily be for industrial, commercial, and residential uses.

The estimated total cost of the proposed construction is approximately \$128,000, inclusive of tax gross up. It is stated that Clark-Mobile will reimburse FGT for all costs directly and indirectly incurred by FGT for the construction of the facilities proposed herein. It is indicated that to the extent such reimbursement qualifies as a contribution in aid of construction under the Tax Reform Act of 1986, Clark-Mobile agrees to reimburse FGT for income tax incurred by FGT.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file 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 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 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.

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-404-000]

#### Mississippi River Transmission Corporation; Revised Notice Rescheduling Technical Conference

November 5, 1998.

Take notice that the Commission staff will convene a technical conference as provided by the Commission order in this proceeding issued October 14,