

FPC for service under FPC's Market-Based Wholesale Power Sales Tariff (MR-1), FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume Number 8. This tariff was accepted for filing by the Commission on June 26, 1997, in Docket No. ER97-2846-000. The service agreement is proposed to be effective December 16, 1997.

Comment date: February 17, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

28. Enron Energy Services Power, Inc.

[Docket No. ER98-1404-000]

Take notice that on January 12, 1998, Enron Energy Services Power, Inc. tendered for filing notification of a change of name in the above-captioned docket. Enron Energy Services Power, Inc. changed its name to Enron Energy Services, Inc. on December 19, 1997.

Comment date: February 17, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

29. Pacific Gas & Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Co. and Southern California Edison Company

[Docket No. ER98-1499-000]

Take notice that on January 16, 1998, the California Independent System Corporation (ISO), tendered for filing a Meter Service Agreement for ISO Metered Entities executed by the ISO and Pacific Gas and Electric Company for approval by the Commission.

The ISO states that this filing has been served on all parties listed on the official service list in the above referenced dockets, including the California Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: February 17, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

30. Pacific Gas & Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company and Southern California Edison Company

[Docket No. ER98-1500-000]

Take notice that on January 16, 1998, the California Independent System Corporation (ISO), tendered for filing a Meter Service Agreement for ISO Metered Entities executed by the ISO and Midway Sunset Cogeneration Company for approval by the Commission.

The ISO states that this filing has been served on all parties listed on the official service list in the above referenced dockets, including the California Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: February 17, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

31. Pacific Gas & Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Co. and Southern California Edison Company

[Docket No. ER98-1501-0000]

Take notice that on January 16, 1998, the California Independent System Corporation (ISO), tendered for filing a Meter Service Agreement for ISO Metered Entities executed by the ISO and San Diego Gas and Electric Company for approval by the Commission.

The ISO states that this filing has been served on all parties listed on the official service list in the above referenced docket, including the California Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: February 17, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

32. Pacific Gas & Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Co. and Southern California Edison Company

[Docket No. ER98-1502-000]

Take notice that on January 16, 1998, the California Independent System Corporation (ISO), tendered for filing a Meter Service Agreement for ISO Metered Entities executed by the ISO and Southern California Edison Company for approval by the Commission.

The ISO states that this filing has been served on all parties listed on the official service list in the above referenced docket, including the California Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: February 17, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

33. Pacific Gas & Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Co. and Southern California Edison Company

[Docket No. ER98-1503-000]

Take notice that on January 16, 1998, the California Independent System Corporation (ISO), tendered for filing a Meter Service Agreement for ISO Metered Entities executed by the ISO and Texaco Exploration and Production Inc. for approval by the Commission.

The ISO states that this filing has been served on all parties listed on the official service list in the above referenced docket, including the California Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: February 17, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraph

E. 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 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. 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 these filings are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

David P. Boergers,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-132-000]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed D-Line Extension and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

February 4, 1998.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the construction and operation of the facilities, about 9.6 miles of 30-inch-diameter pipeline loop known as the D-Line Extension Project.¹ This EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

Summary of the Proposed Project

Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern) wants to expand the capacity of its facilities in Steele and Rice Counties, Minnesota to transport an additional 40,000 million British thermal units (MMBtu) per day of natural gas to one industrial customer, Koch Energy Services. Northern seeks authority to construct and operate:

- 9.6 miles of 30-inch-diameter loop between its Owatonna and Fairbault Compressor Stations in Steele and Rice Counties, Minnesota.

¹ Northern Natural Gas Company's application was filed with the Commission under Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations.

The location of the project facilities is shown in appendix 1.² If you are interested in obtaining procedural information, please write to the Secretary of the Commission.

Land Requirements for Construction

Construction of the proposed facilities would require a total of about 139 acres of land including extra work spaces for road crossings. All of this land would revert to its former agricultural use following construction. No new permanent right-of-way would be required.

The EA Process

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impacts that could result from an action whenever it considers the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. NEPA also requires us to discover and address concerns the public may have about proposals. We call this "scoping." The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the EA on the important environmental issues. By this Notice of Intent, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of the issues it will address in the EA. All comments received are considered during the preparation of the EA. State and local government representatives are encouraged to notify their constituents of this proposed action and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

The EA will discuss impacts that could occur as a result of the Construction and operation of the proposed project under these general headings:

- geology and soils
- water resources, fisheries, and wetlands
- vegetation and wildlife
- hazardous waste
- land use
- cultural resources
- endangered and threatened species
- public safety

We will also evaluate possible alternatives to the proposed project or portions of the project, and make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid impacts on the various resource areas.

Our independent analysis of the issues will be in the EA. Depending on

the comments received during the scoping process, the EA may be published and mailed to Federal, state, and local agencies, public interest groups, interested individuals, affected landowners, newspapers, libraries, and the Commission's official service list for this proceeding. A comment period will be allotted for review if the EA is published. We will consider comments on the EA before we make our recommendations to the Commission.

Currently Identified Environmental Issues

We have already identified several issues that we think deserve attention based on a preliminary review of the proposed facilities and the environmental information provided by Northern. This preliminary list of issues may be changed based on your comments and our analysis.

- The productivity of a total of about 139 acres of agricultural land (including 78 acres of prime farmland soils) could be diminished due to the potential impacts of pipeline construction such as rutting and compaction.
- Agricultural drain tiles, if present, could be damaged.

Public Participation

You can make a difference by sending a letter addressing your specific comments or concerns about the project. You should focus on the potential environmental affects of the proposal, alternatives to the proposal (including alternative routes), and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impact. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send two copies of your letter to: David P. Boergers, Acting Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., N.E., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426;
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of the Environmental Review and Compliance Branch, PR-11.2
- Reference Docket No. CP98-132-000; and
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before March 6, 1998.

If you are interested in obtaining procedural information please write to the Secretary of the Commission.

Becoming an Intervenor

In addition to involvement in the EA scoping process, you may want to become an official party to the proceeding or become an "intervenor."

Among other things, intervenors have the right to receive copies of case-related Commission documents and filings by other intervenors. Likewise, each intervenor must provide copies of its filings to all other parties. If you want to become an intervenor you must file a motion to intervene according to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214) (see appendix 2).

The date for filing timely motions to intervene in this proceeding has passed. Therefore, parties now seeking to file late interventions must show good cause, as required by section 385.214(b)(3), why this time limitation should be waived. Environmental issues have been viewed as good cause for late intervention.

You do not need intervenor status to have your environmental comments considered.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5964-8]

Information Collection Request for the Land Disposal Restrictions Surface Impoundment Study

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit the following proposed Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 13, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Commenters must send an original and two copies of their comments referencing docket number F-98-SIIP-FFFFF to: RCRA Docket Information Center, Office of Solid Waste (5305G), U.S. EPA, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20460. Hand deliveries of comments should be made to the Arlington, VA, address below. Comments may also be submitted electronically through the Internet to: rcradocket@epamail.epa.gov. Comments in electronic format should also be

²The appendices reference in this notice are not being printed in the **Federal Register**. Copies are available from the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, or call (202) 208-1317. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail.