

Purpose of Committee: To advise the Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration (EIA), on EIA technical statistical issues and to enable the EIA to benefit from the Committee's expertise concerning other energy-related statistical matters.

Tentative Agenda

Thursday, November 4, 1999

- A. Opening Remarks by the Chairman, Room 8E-089
- B. Major Topics
 - 1. Strategic Planning, Room 8E-089
 - 2. Cognitive Testing and Survey Development, Room GH-019
 - 3. System for Analysis of Global Energy (SAGE) Markets, Room GH-027
 - 4. Common Data Definitions, Room GH-035
 - 5. Electricity: An Assessment of Transmission Constraint Costs: Northeast U.S. Case Study, Room 8E-089
 - 6. An Update on Using Cognitive Interviewing to Evaluate the EIA Web Site, Room 8E-089

Friday, November 5, 1999

- C. Major Topics
 - 1. Addressing Accuracy in the Monthly Forecasting Process, Room 8E-089
 - 2. Implementation of the Graphical Editing Analysis Query System, Rooms 8E-089
 - 3. Discussing the Charge of the Senior Mathematical Statistician at EIA, Room 8E-089
- D. Closing Remarks by the Chairman, GE-016

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 facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Written statements may be filed with the committee either before or after the meeting. If there are any questions, please contact Mr. William I. Weinig, EIA Committee Liaison, at the address or telephone number listed above.

Minutes: Available for public review and copying at the Public Reading Room, (Room 1E-190), 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-3142, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Issued at Washington, DC, on October 7, 1999.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee, Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP99-625-000]

Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Application

October 6, 1999.

Take notice that on September 27, 1999, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), Post Office Box 1273, Charleston, West Virginia 25325-1273 in Docket No. CP99-625-000 an application, as supplemented on September 28, 1999, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act to permit Columbia to use firm capacity on Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee), all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222).

Columbia proposes to use firm capacity on Tennessee of up to 16,476 dt per day from Broad Run, Kanawha County, West Virginia, to Highland, Elk County, Pennsylvania, for a period beginning October 1, 1999, and ending March 31, 2000. Columbia indicates that, as a result of corrosion revealed by recently completed and analyzed in-line inspection of two line segments on Columbia's system in Clinton and McKean Counties, Pennsylvania, Columbia has elected to remove the two pipelines from service prior to October 1, 1999. To find an alternate means of maintaining capacity to serve its contractual obligations during the 1999-2000 winter heating season, Columbia indicates that it has arranged to use capacity on Tennessee's system. Columbia indicates that, because it needs to maintain normal operating pressures on those pipelines to meet its service obligations, it cannot reduce its line pressure on those facilities as a long term option. Columbia also states that it has not had sufficient time to complete the analysis of the two pipelines to determine if the pipelines or segments of the pipelines may have to be replaced or abandoned.

Columbia states that no construction of facilities is required to implement the transaction. It is stated that the total cost of the transaction will be between \$600,000 and \$650,000, which will be accounted for pursuant to the provisions of its tariff concerning Transportation Cost Recovery Adjustment Filings.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before October 27, 1999, 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 and permission for 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 Columbia to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP95-408-030]

Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Compliance Filing

October 6, 1999.

Take notice that on September 30, 1999, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets to become effective October 1, 1999:

Thirty-seventh Revised Sheet No. 25
Thirty-seventh Revised Sheet No. 26

Thirty-seventh Revised Sheet No. 27
 Thirty-fifth Revised Sheet No. 28
 Third Revised Sheet No. 28B
 Fourteenth Revised Sheet No. 29
 Sixteenth Revised Sheet No. 30A

Columbia asserts that the purpose of this filing is to implement revised base rates reflecting the settlement approved by the Commission on September 15, 1999 in Docket No. RP95-408 (Phase II). The settlement established environmental cost recovery through unit components of base rates, all as more fully set forth in article VI of the settlement filed April 5, 1999. Columbia states further that it and the other Sponsoring Parties to the settlement unanimously agreed to implement the settlement without waiting for the expiration of the 30-day rehearing period. If rehearing is sought and the Commission modifies its previous unconditional approval of the settlement, Columbia states that it will invoice and collect from customers the difference between these lower settlement levels and the now currently effective collection levels and all other amounts necessary to return everyone to the same monetary position that existed prior to the early implementation of the settlement.

Columbia states that a copy of the filing have been served by mail to all parties to the proceeding, as well as all customers and affected state commissions.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such 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. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER99-1698-000]

The Detroit Edison Company; Notice of Filing

October 6, 1999.

Take notice that on August 24, 1999, The Detroit Edison Company (Detroit Edison), tendered for filing a Service Agreement (the Service Agreement) and Specifications for Long-term Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service under the Open Access Transmission Tariff of Detroit Edison, FERC Electric Tariff No. 1, between Detroit Edison and Detroit Edison Merchant Operations dated as of December 22, 1998. The parties have not engaged in any transactions under the Service Agreements prior to thirty days to this filing.

Detroit Edison requests that the Service Agreements be made effective as rate schedules as of January 23, 1999.

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 385.214). All such motions and protests should be filed on or before October 16, 1999. 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. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-287-030]

El Paso Natural Gas Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

October 6, 1999.

Take notice that on October 1, 1999, El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso)

tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1-A, the following tariff sheet to become effective October 1, 1999:

Eighteenth Revised Sheet No. 31
 First Revised Sheet No. 31A

El Paso states that the above tariff sheets are being filed to implement one negotiated rate contract pursuant to the Commission's Statement of Policy on Alternatives to Traditional Cost-of-Service Ratemaking for Natural Gas Pipelines and Regulation of Negotiated Transportation Services of Natural Gas Pipelines issued January 31, 1996 at Docket Nos. RM95-6-000 and RM96-7-000.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such 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. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP96-152-019 and CP96-152-021]

Kansas Pipeline Company; Notice of Revised Tariff Filings

October 6, 1999.

Take notice that on September 17, 1999, Kansas Pipeline Company (Applicant) tendered for filing corrections to the FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1 to be effective May 11, 1999. Take further notice that the sheet, Third Substitute Original Sheet No. 16A, contained an error in the statement of the volumetric firm capacity release maximum rate per dth stated at 100% load factor. Accordingly, on September 24, 1999, Applicant filed Fourth Substitute Original Sheet No.