

[Docket No. CP95-129-000]

**Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corp.,  
Notice of Abandonment**

January 3, 1995.

Take notice that on December 22, 1994, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco), P.O. Box 1396, Houston, Texas 77251, filed in Docket No. CP95-129-000 an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act for permission and approval to abandon certain facilities, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Transco proposes to abandon certain pipelines, compression facilities, meters, dehydration units and other miscellaneous facilities, all listed in Exhibit T to the application. Transco states that gas has not flowed through the facilities for at least one year, and in many cases, longer than one year. Transco also asserts that in many cases the producer has disconnected the well(s), or the well(s) have been depleted or abandoned and there are no volumes flowing into Transco's system. Transco also asserts that the proposed abandonment would have no impact on daily design capacity, operating conditions or services rendered on Transco's system.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before January 24, 1995, 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 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 Transco to appear or be represented at the hearing.

**Lois D. Cashell,***Secretary.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
AGENCY**

[FRL-5134-8]

**Office of Research and Development;  
Ambient Air Monitoring Reference and  
Equivalent Methods; Receipt of  
Application for a Reference Method  
Determination**

Notice is hereby given that on December 5, 1994, the Environmental Protection Agency received an application from Advanced Pollution Instrumentation, Inc., 8815 Production Avenue, San Diego, California 92121-2219, to determine if their Model 100A Fluorescent Sulfur Dioxide Analyzer should be designated by the Administrator of the EPA as an equivalent method under 40 CFR Part 53. If, after appropriate technical study, the Administrator determines that this method should be so designated, notice thereof will be given in a subsequent issue of the **Federal Register**.

**Joseph K. Alexandra,***Acting Assistant Administrator for Research and Development.*

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[FRL-5134-7]

**Science Advisory Board; Radiation  
Advisory Committee; Radionuclide  
Cleanup Standards Subcommittee;  
Notification of Public Advisory  
Committee Meeting; Open Meeting**

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that the Radionuclide Cleanup Standards Subcommittee (RCSS) of the Science Advisory Board's (SAB's) Radiation Advisory Committee (RAC), will continue its review of the technical basis of the Agency's Cleanup Standards for Radionuclides. The meeting will be

conducted on Wednesday, January 25 and Thursday, January 26, 1995 at the Courtyard Marriott Hotel, 2899 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202 (tel. 703-549-3435). On Wednesday, January 25, 1995 the RAC will meet at 9:00 am eastern time and adjourn no later than 6:00 pm. On Thursday, January 26, 1995 the RCSS will meet starting at 8:30 am and will adjourn no later than 4:00 pm. The RCSS formally began this review at its first public meeting on the topic on October 27 and 28, 1994 (See **Federal Register** Vol. 59, No. 191, Tuesday, October 4, 1994, pages 50600-50601). This meeting is open to the public, but seating is limited and available on a first-come basis.

The meeting will essentially be a work session by the Subcommittee, as they prepare their draft report on the topic. The draft documents that are the subject of this review are available from the originating EPA office and are not available from the SAB Office. These draft documents are: (1) "Radiation Site Cleanup Regulations: Technical Support Document for the Development of Radionuclide Cleanup Levels for Soil," Review Draft, September, 1994. and (2) "Radiation Site Cleanup regulations: Technical Support Document for the Development of Radionuclide Cleanup Levels for Soil," Appendices, September, 1994.

To discuss technical aspects of the draft documents, please contact Dr. Anthony B. Wolbarst, Chief, Remedial Guidance Section, Office of Radiation and Indoor Air (ORIA) (Mail Code 6603J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460. To simply obtain copies of the draft documents, please contact Ms. Virginia Stradford, Secretary, at (202) 233-9350, FAX (202) 233-9650. The background documents that support this review, as well as the draft documents listed above are available in the Agency's U.S. EPA Air and Radiation Docket. Please address written inquiries as follows: Attn: Air and Radiation Docket, Mail Stop 6102, Air Docket No. A-93-27, Room M1500, First Floor, Waterside Mall, 401 M Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20460. The docket may be inspected from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding federal holidays, in Room M1500. A reasonable fee may be charged for copies of docket materials. Inquiries regarding access to the public information docket should be directed to Ms. Lynn Johnson, ORIA Staff (Mail Code 6603J) at (202) 233-9383.

The charge to the SAB is as follows:

(1) Is the methodology used by the Office of Radiation and Indoor Air (ORIA) for evaluating source terms for

radioactively contaminated sites, for modeling transport to people, and for estimating risk to individuals and populations acceptable for providing a technical basis for writing a cleanup standard?

(2a) Are the assumptions for the combined residential/agricultural land use scenario, and the pathways model, reasonable and suitable for assessing risk at radioactively contaminated sites?

(2b) Are the assumptions for the combined industrial/commercial land use scenario, and the pathways model, reasonable and suitable for assessing risk at radioactively contaminated sites?

(3) Is RESRAD version 5.01 (specific reference to RESRAD may be omitted) suitable for modeling radiation risk to individuals at radioactively contaminated sites?

To Obtain More Information on or Participate in this SAB Meeting:

Members of the public who wish to make a brief oral presentation at this meeting should contact Dr. Kooyoomjian no later than January 18, 1995 in order to have time reserved on the agenda. Please contact Dr. K. Jack Kooyoomjian, the Designated Federal Official, Science Advisory Board (Mail Code 1400F), US EPA, 401 M Street, SW, Washington DC 20460, by telephone at (202) 260-6552, FAX at (202) 260-7118, or via the INTERNET at:

Kooyoomjian.Jack@EPAMAIL.EPA.GOV.

In order to obtain a copy of the draft agenda, please contact Ms. Diana L. Pozun, Secretary, Science Advisory Board, at the above address.

#### Providing Oral or Written Comments at SAB Meetings

The Science Advisory Board expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted oral or written statements. In general, opportunities for oral comment at meetings will be usually limited to five minutes per speaker and no more than thirty minutes total. Written comments (at least 35 copies) received in the SAB Staff Office sufficiently prior to a meeting date (usually one week prior to a meeting), may be mailed to the subcommittee prior to its meeting; comments received too close to the meeting date will normally be provided to the subcommittee at its meeting. Written comments may be provided up until the time of the meeting.

Dated: December 20, 1994.

**A. Robert Flaak,**

*Acting Staff Director, Science Advisory Board.*

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#### Final NPDES General Permits for Produced Water and Produced Sand Discharges From the Oil and Gas Extraction Point Source Category to Coastal Waters in Louisiana (LAG290000) and Texas (TXG290000)

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency, Region 6.

**ACTION:** Issuance of Final NPDES Permits.

**SUMMARY:** Region 6 of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) today issues final NPDES General Permits regulating discharges of produced water and produced sand derived from oil and gas point source facilities. The permits prohibit the discharge of produced water and produced sand derived from Coastal Subcategory (40 CFR part 435, subpart D) to any water subject to EPA jurisdiction under the Clean Water Act. Discharges to "coastal" waters of Louisiana and Texas of produced water and produced sand derived from most Stripper Subcategory (40 CFR part 435, subpart F) and all Offshore Subcategory (40 CFR part 435, subpart A) facilities covered by these permits are prohibited. Under Permit TXG290000, Stripper Subcategory facilities located east of the 98th meridian whose produced water is derived from the Carrizo/Wilcox, Reklaw or Bartosh formations in Texas and whose produced water does not exceed 3000 mg/l Total Dissolved Solids may discharge produced water subject to effluent limitations on oil and grease of 25 mg/l monthly average and 35 mg/l daily maximum. TXG290000 prohibits the discharge of produced sand derived from those facilities. Produced water derived from Stripper Subcategory and Offshore Subcategory wells which discharge to the main deltaic passes of the Mississippi River or to the Atchafalaya River below Morgan City including Wax Lake Outlet, are not covered by Permit No. LAG290000, but may be regulated in future NPDES permitting actions. Permittees include commercial disposal facilities as well as oil and gas operators generating produced water and sand.

Region 6 is also issuing an administrative order requiring permittees discharging produced water from existing Coastal, Stripper or Offshore Subcategory wells which must meet the No Discharge requirement for produced water to meet that requirement no later than January 1, 1997 unless an earlier compliance date is required by the State.

**DATES:** These permits will become effective on February 8, 1995.

**ADDRESSES:** Notifications required by these permits should be sent to the Water Management Division, Enforcement Branch (6W-EA), EPA Region 6, P.O. Box 50625, Dallas, Texas 75202.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Contact Ms. Ellen Caldwell, EPA Region 6, 1445 Ross Avenue, Dallas, Texas 75202; telephone: (214) 665 7513.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** EPA issues these general permits pursuant to its authority under Section 402 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1342. These permits cover discharges of produced water and produced sand derived from Oil and Gas Point Source Category Facilities to coastal waters of Louisiana and Texas. Discharges regulated by these permits include those from Coastal Subcategory (40 CFR part 435, subpart D) facilities in Louisiana and Texas, discharges from the Stripper Subcategory (40 CFR part 435, subpart F) that discharge to coastal waters of Louisiana and Texas, and discharges from some Offshore Subcategory (40 CFR part 435, subpart A) to coastal waters of Louisiana and Texas. These permits do not authorize discharges from "new sources" as defined in 40 CFR 122.2.

Public notice of the draft permits was published in the **Federal Register** on December 22, 1992 (57 FR 60926) and in the Houston Post and New Orleans Times Picayune on January 9, 1993. As then announced, the comment period was to close on February, 9, 1993, but Region 6 subsequently extended it to March 15, 1993 because of numerous telephone and written requests for additional time. (57 FR 6968, February 3, 1993). Region 6 considered all comments it received in formulating the final permits. The Region has prepared a detailed Response to Comments, but is not publishing it in this **Federal Register** notice for practical reasons. A copy may be obtained from Ms. Caldwell at the address supplied above.

EPA Region 6 made a number of changes to the permits as a result of comments. Under Permit No. TXG290000, facilities in the Stripper Subcategory located east of the 98th meridian whose produced water comes from the Carrizo/Wilcox, Reklaw or Bartosh formations in Texas and whose produced water does not exceed 3000 mg/l Total Dissolved Solids are allowed to discharge produced water subject to an effluent limitation of 3000 mg/l for Total Dissolved Solids and oil and grease limits of 25 mg/l monthly average and 35 mg/l daily maximum. Associated