

*Comment date:* March 8, 1995, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 7. Central Maine Power Co.

[Docket No. ER95-572-000]

Take notice that on February 8, 1995, Central Maine Power Company (CMP), tendered for filing an Amendment to Central Maine Power Company Rate Schedule FERC No. 91 between CMP and Maine Public Service Company (MPS), entered into as of December 16, 1995 (Amendment). The Amendment amends the Agreement to increase the rate for transmission service and to update certain terms and conditions applicable to such service.

*Comment date:* March 8, 1995, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 8. Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.

[Docket No. ER95-574-000]

Take notice that on February 9, 1995, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (Niagara), tendered for filing with the Commission an Interconnection and Transmission Services Agreement (Agreement) between Niagara and the City of Salamanca Board of Public Utilities required to increase the capability of the delivery point between Niagara and Salamanca. Niagara Mohawk requests that the Agreement become effective sixty days from the date of filing.

*Comment date:* March 8, 1995, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 9. Kentucky Utilities Co.

[Docket No. ES95-7-002]

Take notice that on February 21, 1995, Kentucky Utilities Company (Kentucky) filed an amendment to its application in Docket Nos. ES95-7-000 and ES95-7-001 under § 204 of the Federal Power Act. By letter order November 23, 1994, Kentucky was authorized to issue not more than \$100 million of unsecured promissory notes and commercial paper from December 1, 1994 through November 30, 1996, with a final maturity date no later than December 31, 1996. Kentucky requests that the authorization issued in Docket Nos. ES95-7-000 and ES95-7-001 be amended to increase the authorization amount from \$100 million to \$150 million.

*Comment date:* March 20, 1995, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### Standard Paragraphs

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, 825 North Capitol Street, NE., Washington, DC 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 this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

**Lois D. Cashell,**

*Secretary.*

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[Docket Nos. CP95-61-000 and CP95-62-000]

### Columbia Gas Transmission Corp.; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Majorsville/Crawford Storage Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

February 24, 1995.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or the Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the construction and operation of facilities proposed in the Majorsville/Crawford Storage Project.<sup>1</sup> This EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine if an environmental impact statement is necessary and whether to approve the project.

### Summary of the Proposed Project

In Docket No. CP95-61-000, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia) requests Commission authorization to temporarily deactivate the storage operations at its Majorsville-Heard Storage Complex to allow coal mining operations by the Consol Pennsylvania Coal Company and/or its affiliates. Columbia needs to deactivate its storage facilities when the coal mining operation is nearby since "long wall mining" typically causes surface subsidence which could result in

<sup>1</sup> Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation's applications in Docket Nos. CP95-61-000 and CP95-62-000 were filed with the Commission under Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations.

adverse impact on the wells and pipelines. Once mining has ended, Columbia would determine if the facility can be reactivated or should be permanently abandoned.

At the Majorsville/Heard Storage Complex in Greene and Washington Counties, Pennsylvania and Marshall County, West Virginia, Columbia proposes to temporarily deactivate portions of the storage field for at least the next 13 years. This would include:

- Abandoning up to 238 wells; and
- Abandoning up to 60 miles of existing pipeline.

In Docket No. CP95-62-000, Columbia requests Commission authorization to increase its natural gas storage capability and to construct and operate additional facilities at its Crawford Storage Field and Crawford Compressor Station to offset the temporary deactivation of the Majorsville-Heard Storage Complex. Columbia proposes to increase:

- The storage capability of the Crawford Storage Field by 5 billion cubic feet (Bcf) to 52 Bcf;
- The annual withdrawals by 8.15 Bcf to 17.65 Bcf; and
- The design day deliverability by 67.2 million cubic feet per day (MMcfd) to 232.2 MMcfd.

At the Crawford Storage Field in Hocking County, Ohio, Columbia proposes to:

- Drill four new wells;
- Construct about 5.01 miles of pipeline, including:
  - 2.30 miles of 20-inch-diameter pipeline replacing 1.40 mile of 16-inch-diameter pipeline and 0.90 mile of 10- and 8-inch-diameter pipeline;
  - 0.80 mile of 10-inch-diameter pipeline replacing 0.80 mile of 4-inch-diameter pipeline;
  - 0.76 mile of 10-inch-diameter new pipeline;
  - 0.36 mile of 8-inch-diameter pipeline replacing 0.40 mile of 4-inch-diameter pipeline;
  - 0.45 mile of 8-inch-diameter new pipeline;
  - 0.32 mile of 6-inch-diameter pipeline replacing 0.30 mile of 4-inch-diameter pipeline; and
  - 0.02 mile of 6-inch-diameter new pipeline.
- Install other appurtenant facilities, including:
  - Wellhead measurement stations at four new and two existing wells;
  - Electric measurement cables within the right-of-way to the four new wells;
  - Up to 10 pig launching/receiving facilities; and
  - Valve replacement sets at six existing and one new well.

At the Crawford Compressor Station in Fairfield County, Ohio, Columbia proposes to:

- Add a third dehydration contactor and related reboiler and piping;
- Add a gas cooler to each of the three existing compressor units;
- Replace a compressor cylinder on one of the existing compressor units; and
- Add a gas cleaner and make other changes.

The general location of the project facilities is shown in appendix 1. Specific locations of the proposed Crawford Storage Field facilities are shown in appendix 2.<sup>2</sup>

### Land Requirements for Construction

#### *Majorsville/Heard Storage Complex*

The temporary deactivation of the Majorsville/Heard Storage Complex facilities would require some construction activity. Abandonment of the pipelines (either in place or by removal) would occur within the existing right-of-way. Abandonment and plugging of the wells would require some disturbance in the immediate area of the well.

#### *Crawford Storage Field*

Construction and operation of the four proposed new well sites would disturb a total of about 2.8 acres of land.

Columbia intends to use its existing 50-foot-wide right-of-way for removal of the existing pipelines and construction of the small diameter (less than 18-inch-diameter) replacement pipelines. All new pipelines would be constructed within a 50-foot-wide right-of-way. For the 20-inch-diameter replacement pipeline, Columbia proposes to use a 75-foot-wide construction right-of-way, of which 50 feet would be existing right-of-way and 25 feet would be new temporary right-of-way. All of the replacement pipelines would be built in about the same location as the existing pipelines. All other appurtenant facilities would be constructed within the right-of-way for the new and replacement pipelines. Construction of the pipelines would affect about 43.1 acres of land.

Extra temporary work space would be also required for staging areas for topsoil segregation; for road, wetland and stream crossings; equipment mobilization; and contractor and pipe

storage yards. Columbia estimates that these extra work spaces would temporarily disturb about 7.1 acres of land.

Following construction, the new and replacement pipelines would be within a 50-foot-wide permanent right-of-way centered on the pipeline. All temporary construction right-of-way and extra workspaces would be restored and allowed to revert to their former use. About 7.5 acres of land would be required for the new permanent right-of-way.

#### *Crawford Compressor Station*

Construction of the additional facilities at the Crawford Compressor Station would take place entirely within the existing station fence line.

### 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.
- Endangered and threatened species.
- Land use.
- Cultural resources.
- Air quality.
- 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 all comments on the EA before we recommend that the Commission approve or not approve the project.

### 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 Columbia. Keep in mind that this is a preliminary list. The list of issues may be added to, subtracted from, or changed based on your comments and our analysis. Issues are:

#### *Crawford Storage Field*

- The pipelines would cross three perennial waterbodies and eight non-forested wetlands.
- The pipelines may cross or be near historic structures and archeological sites.
- Two pipeline segments would cross a state scenic highway (State Route 374).
- Construction of one pipeline segment would take place within 50 feet of three residences.
- Some of the pipeline segments would possibly cross potential habitat for the Indiana bat, a federally listed endangered species.
- Increasing the capacity of the storage field may increase the potential for leakage.

#### *Crawford Compressor Station*

- Some of the additional facilities would be within a 100-year floodplain.
- The reboiler for the dehydration contactor would slightly increase the NO<sub>x</sub> emission levels of the station.

### 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 effects 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 follow the instructions below to ensure that your comments are received and properly recorded:

- Address your letter to: Lois Cashell, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 825 North Capitol St., N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

<sup>2</sup>The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the **Federal Register**. Copies are available from the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, Room 3104, 941 North Capitol Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, or call (202) 208-1371. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail.

- Reference Docket Nos. CP95-61-000 and CP95-62-000.
  - Send a copy of your letter to: Ms. Laura Turner, EA Project Manager, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 825 North Capitol Street, N.E., Room 7312, Washington, D.C. 20426.
  - Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, D.C. on or before April 3, 1995.
- If you wish to receive a copy of the EA, you should request one from Ms. Turner at the above address.

### Becoming and 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 3).

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 § 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 scoping comments considered.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from Ms. Laura Turner, EA Project Manager, at (202) 208-0916.

**Lois D. Cashell,**

*Secretary.*

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### [Project No. 11325-001 Utah]

#### Cherry Creek Hydro Associates; Surrender of Preliminary Permit

February 24, 1995.

Take notice that Cherry Creek Hydro Associates, Permittee for the Cherry Creek Project No. 11325, has requested that its preliminary permit be terminated. The preliminary permit for Project No. 11325 was issued March 29, 1993, and would have expired February 28, 1996. The project would have been located on Cherry Creek, in Cache County, Utah.

The Permittee filed the request on February 15, 1995, and the preliminary

permit for Project No. 11325 shall remain in effect through the thirtieth day after issuance of this notice unless that day is a Saturday, Sunday or holiday as described in 18 CFR 385.2007, in which case the permit shall remain in effect through the first business day following that day. New applications involving this project site, to the extent provided for under 18 CFR part 4, may be filed on the next business day.

**Lois D. Cashell,**

*Secretary.*

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### [Docket No. RP94-273-001]

#### Columbia Gas Transmission Corp.; Request for Waiver of Tariff Provision

February 24, 1995.

Take notice that on February 16, 1995, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), pursuant to Rule 212 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, filed with the Commission a request to extend a previously granted waiver of the nine-month closeout period contained in Section 39 of the General Terms and Conditions of its FERC Gas Tariff from March 31, 1995, to and including resolution of an imbalance issue presently existing between Columbia and Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee). Columbia states that the requested extension is for nine months, or to December 31, 1995.

Columbia states that after several months of intensive efforts to reconcile imbalances, Columbia was unable to confirm those imbalances with several interconnecting pipelines and transportation customers, and, therefore, originally sought permission to extend the closeout period in Section 39 through March 31, 1995. On October 5, 1994, the Commission granted the requested extension.

Columbia states that since the Commission's October order, Columbia has worked to resolve its remaining historical imbalance dispute with third parties, but has been unable to resolve its imbalance with Tennessee. Columbia states that it is working diligently with Tennessee to resolve these issues, but cannot have them resolved by March 31, 1995.

Columbia states that in order to permit an orderly resolution of issues involving the termination of its Account No. 191, and collection of the remaining balance, Columbia requests that the Commission extend the nine-month

closeout period from March 31, 1995, to December 31, 1995.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest the said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 825 North Capitol Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with §§ 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests should be filed on or before March 3, 1995. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestant parties to the proceeding. 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.

**Lois D. Cashell,**

*Secretary.*

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### [Docket No. RP95-169-000]

#### KN Interstate Gas Transmission Co.; Notice of Filing

February 24, 1995.

On February 21, 1995, KN Interstate Gas Transmission Co. (KNI), filed pursuant to Section 4 of the Natural Gas Act, 15 U.S.C. 717c, § 154.63 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's ("Commission") Regulations, 18 CFR 154.63, and the Commission's Order on Remand issued on December 22, 1994 in Docket Nos. CP93-41-004 and CP93-42-004 for authorization to terminate its non-jurisdictional gathering and processing services which it provided prior to January 1, 1994—the date on which KNI transferred its non-jurisdictional gathering and processing facilities (except for the Bowdoin System) to KN Gas Gathering, Inc. ("KNGG"). KNI requests retroactive approval to January 1, 1994.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest the said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 825 North Capitol Street, NE., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with §§ 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests should be filed on or before March 6, 1995. 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