

CP96-270-000 on April 18, 1996, (61 FR 18132, April 24, 1996) describing Mid Continent's operations and the facilities which are the subject of this amended complaint. Mid Continent now alleges that certain assumptions upon which it based its initial complaint have been proven wrong. However it still believes the Panhandle is unnecessarily delaying an agreement with Mid Continent to interconnect. Further, Mid Continent says that the delay is a continuation of anticompetitive behavior on Panhandle's part.

Mid Continent says that the purpose of the amended complaint is to raise a new issue—Panhandle's apparent improper classification of the proposed receipt point in Panhandle's Field Zone, rather than in Panhandle's Market Zone. The existing facilities which Mid Continent intends to buy from KN Interstate Gas Transmission Company (KN's Haven Line) are already connected to Panhandle. Mid Continent says that KN's Haven Line is connected to Panhandle at Panhandle's Haven Compressor Station, which is the dividing line between Panhandle's Field Zone and Panhandle's Market Zone. Mid Continent claims that various Commission orders and filings show that KN's Haven Line is connected to the discharge side of Panhandle's Haven Compressor Station, thus in Panhandle's Market Zone. However, Mid Continent says that Panhandle now "considers" that KN's Haven Line to be connected to Panhandle at the suction side of Panhandle's Haven Compressor Station, thus in Panhandle's Field Zone.

Mid Continent asks that the Commission to rule that KN's Haven Line is connected to Panhandle in Panhandle's Market Zone and to require Panhandle to give Mid Continent a written statement about the operating conditions Mid Continent will be required to meet to inject gas into Panhandle's system on the discharge side of Panhandle's Haven Compressor Station. Mid Continent seek expeditious relief so that Panhandle does not unduly benefit from further delays. Absent the above requested relief, Mid Continent seeks a full evidentiary hearing on an expedited basis.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make protest with reference to the amended complaint should on or before June 10, 1996, 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). 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. Answers to the amended complaint are also due on or before June 10, 1996. Any person which filed a motion to intervene in Docket No. CP96-270-000 need not file again to become a party to the amended complaint.)

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP96-518-000]

NorAm Gas Transmission Co.; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

May 17, 1996.

Take notice that on May 13, 1996, NorAm Gas Transmission Company (NGT), 1600 Smith Street, Houston, Texas 77002, filed in Docket No. CP96-518-000 a request pursuant to Section 157.205 and 157.211 of the Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.211) for authorization to construct and operate certain facilities in the State of Arkansas. NGT makes such request, under its blanket certificate issued in Docket Nos. CP82-384-000 and CP82-348-001, pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, NGT is proposing to construct and operate a 1-inch tap and 1-inch first-cut regulator on NGT's Line J in Craighead County, Arkansas. NGT indicates that the proposed facilities will be constructed within NGT's existing right-of-way. NGT declares that the facilities will be used to deliver gas to ARKLA, which is a distribution division of NorAm Energy Corp. It is estimated that approximately 640 MMBtu annually will be delivered to this delivery tap, and approximately 8 MMBtu on a peak day. NGT implies that the volumes proposed to be delivered are within ARKLA's existing entitlements.

NGT estimates the construction cost of this project to be \$2,700, and states that ARKLA has agreed to reimburse NGT for those cost. NGT indicates that ARKLA will construct a 1½ inch U-Shape meter and convey it to NGT. It is

further stated that NGT will own and operate the tap, first-cut regulator and meter.

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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP96-237-000]

Northern Border Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

May 17, 1996.

Take notice that on May 15, 1996, Northern Border Pipeline Company (Northern Border) tendered for filing to become part of Northern Border Pipeline Company's FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets to become effective July 1, 1996:

Seventh Revised Sheet Number 156
Eighth Revised Sheet Number 157

Northern Border states that it proposes to increase the Maximum Rate from 4.203 cents per 100 Dekatherm-Miles to 4.224 cents per 100 Dekatherm-Miles and to increase the Minimum Revenue Credit from 2.088 cents per 100 Dekatherm-Miles to 2.198 cents per 100 Dekatherm-Miles. The revised Maximum Rate and Minimum Revenue Credit are being filed in accordance with Northern Border's Tariff provisions under Rate Schedule IT-1.

Northern Border asserts that the herein proposed changes do not result in a change in Northern Border's total revenue requirement.

Northern Border states that copies of this filing have been sent to all of Northern Border's contracted shippers.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888