

docket, a request pursuant to §§ 157.205 and 157.212(a) of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act for authorization to acquire and operate certain metering and regulating (M&R) facilities, in accordance with a Bill of Sale dated May 20, 1996, between Questar and Mountain Fuel Supply Company (MFS), Questar's local distribution company affiliate, that serve the FMC Corporation (FMC) located in Sweetwater County, Wyoming, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, Questar explains that the recent acquisition of the M&R facilities allows it to have direct operational control of the facilities. Since the acquisition, Questar further explains that it has continued the delivery of natural gas directly to FMC. Questar states that MFS no longer own or operates any facilities associated with natural-gas deliveries to FMC.

Questar states that the M&R facilities comprise a 6-inch meter run and meter building, a Barton Dryflow meter, a 3-inch Fisher flow controller with associated valves and piping, primary and secondary one-inch and two-inch Fisher regulator bank assemblies, a 500 gallon odorant storage tank and other appurtenant facilities specifically listed in a Bill of Sale. In accordance with this Bill of Sale, Questar also explains that MFS sold the M&R facilities to Questar for \$16,945 and that the acquisition and continued operation of the subject M&R facilities has not required any construction activities, but, rather has involved only the contractual transfer of facility ownership, thus resulting in no effect on the existing environment.

Questar further states that it provides service to FMC in accordance with an existing interruptible Rate Schedule T-2 transportation service agreement dated May 6, 1987. It is asserted that the service agreement provides for the interruptible transportation of up to 7,000 Mcf per day of natural gas on behalf of FMC from all receipt points on Questar's transmission system to the existing FMC delivery point and that natural-gas volumes may also be transported to FMC delivery point through use of capacity-release arrangements on Questar's transmission system.

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 Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to § 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 is deemed to be authorized effective on 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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Strategic Energy Management, Inc.; Notice of Issuance of Order

September 30, 1996.

Strategic Energy Management, Inc. (SEMI) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which SEMI will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions as a marketer. SEMI also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, SEMI requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by SEMI.

On September 13, 1996, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Applications, Office of Electric Power Regulation, granted requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by SEMI should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First 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 385.214).

Absent a request for hearing within this period, SEMI is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, endorser, surety or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, and compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither

public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approval of SEMI's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is October 15, 1996. Copies of the full text of the order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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Thicksten Grimm Burgum, Inc.; Notice of Issuance of Order

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Thicksten Grimm Burgum, Inc. (Thicksten) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which Thicksten will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions as a marketer. Thicksten also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, Thicksten requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by Thicksten.

On September 16, 1996, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Applications, Office of Electric Power Regulation, granted requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by Thicksten should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First 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 385.214).

Absent a request for hearing within this period, Thicksten is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, endorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, and compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be