

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-201-001]

National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

February 26, 1997.

Take notice that on February 24, 1997, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (National Fuel) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, the tariff sheets listed on Appendix A to the filing, with an effective date of April 1, 1997.

National Fuel states that the filing is to supplement its December 23, 1996, Section 4 filing at Docket No. RP97-201. National Fuel states that the purpose of the filing is: (1) to postpone the effective date of the proposed Interconnect Agreement requirement until June 1, 1997, when all interstate pipelines will be in compliance with the GISB Standards, and (2) to withdraw its proposed tariff changes that contemplate the introduction of a new enhanced electronic bulletin system, as it now plans to develop a system that relies on internet based communications.

National Fuel states that it is serving copies of the filing upon all parties to this proceeding, firm customers and interested state commissions. National Fuel states that copies are also being served on all interruptible customers as of the date of the filing.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rule 385.211 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). All such protests must be filed in accordance with 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 proceeding. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP97-264-000]

Northern Border Pipeline Company; Notice of Application

February 26, 1997.

Take notice that on February 24, 1997, Northern Border Pipeline Company (Northern Border), P.O. Box 3330, Omaha, Nebraska 68103-0330, filed an application with the Commission in Docket No. CP97-264-000 pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Section 9 of the Alaskan Natural Gas Transportation Act (ANGTA) for permission and approval to abandon certain individual natural gas transportation arrangements with Pan-Alberta Gas (U.S.) Inc. (PAGUS), which were authorized in Docket Nos. CP78-124-013, CP93-3-000, and CP94-22-000, all as more fully set forth in the application which is open to the public for inspection.

Northern Border proposes to abandon its firm transportation of a total of 800 MMcf of natural gas per day for PAGUS. Northern Border states that it transports said gas for PAGUS under the terms of three U.S. shipper service agreements under its FERC Rate Schedule T-1. Northern Border and PAGUS are parties to service agreements dated October 7, 1989, for 450 MMcf per day; October 1, 1992, for 150 MMcf per day; and October 1, 1992, for 200 MMcf per day. Northern Border states that it proposes to abandon its currently authorized Section 7(c) transportation services under these three service agreements at the request of PAGUS in order to convert to Part 284 transportation service. Northern Border also states that PAGUS indicated in its request to Northern Border that the proposed conversion would facilitate increased operating flexibility, allow access to new interconnections as they develop, and would allow PAGUS to more fully use the capacity release provisions under Part 284.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before March 19, 1997, 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 NGA (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 NGA 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 Northern Border to appear or be represented at the hearing. Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP95-407-011]

Questar Pipeline Company; Notice of Tariff Filing

February 26, 1997.

Take notice that on February 21, 1997, Questar Pipeline Company, (Questar) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, Fifth Substitute Alternate Fifth Revised Sheet No. 5, and Third Substitute Third Revised Sheet No. 6A, to be effective February 1, 1996.

Questar states that the proposed tariff sheets respond to the Commission's February 6, 1997 letter order in Docket No. RP95-407-010.

Questar states further that a copy of this filing has been served upon its customers, the Public Service Commission of Utah and the Wyoming Public Service Commission.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rule 385.211 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). All such protests must be filed in accordance with 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 proceeding. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,
Acting Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP97-203-001]

Questar Pipeline Company; Notice of Tariff Filing

February 26, 1997.

Take notice that on February 21, 1997, Questar Pipeline Company (Questar) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, Substitute First Revised Sheet Nos. 81A, and 82 and Substitute Original Sheet No. 82A to be effective January 23, 1997.

Questar explains that the proposed tariff sheets revise Section 12.13 of the General Terms and Conditions of Part I of Questar's tariff by incorporating tariff language as directed by the January 22, 1997, Commission letter order, issued in Docket No. RP97-203. The revised Section 12.13 implements a mechanism for tracking fuel-use and lost-and-unaccounted-for gas to be effective January 23, 1997.

Questar states that it has included a response to the protest filed by Conoco Inc. as directed by the January 22, 1997, letter order.

Questar further states that a copy of this filing has been served upon Questar's customers, the Public Service Commission of Utah and the Wyoming Public Service Commission.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rule 385.211 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). All such protests must be filed in accordance with Section 154.210 of the Commission 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 proceeding. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,
Acting Secretary.

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[Project No. 1494-118]

Grand River Dam Authority; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

February 26, 1997.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's regulations, 18 CFR Part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 F.R. 47910), the Office of Hydropower Licensing (OHL) reviewed the application for non-project use of project lands for the Pensacola Hydroelectric Project. The application proposes to excavate approximately 15,000 to 20,000 cubic yards of shoreline and lake bottom material from the Grand Lake O' the Cherokees, in Delaware County, Oklahoma, in order to raise the applicant's property and access road to elevation 757 feet Pensacola Datum to prevent flooding and retain access to the site during high water. The staff prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the action. In the EA, staff concludes that approval of the non-project use of project lands would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

Copies of the EA are available for review in the Reference and Information Center, Room 1A, of the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,
Acting Secretary.

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Southeastern Power Administration

Intent To Formulate Revised Power Marketing Policy Cumberland System of Projects

AGENCY: Southeastern Power Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to its Procedure for Public Participation in the Formulation of Marketing Policy published in the Federal Register of July 6, 1978, Southeastern intends to revise its marketing policy for future disposition of power from its Cumberland System of Projects.

The current power marketing policy published on August 5, 1993, for the Southeastern Power Administration's (Southeastern) Cumberland System is reflected in contracts for the sale of system power which are maintained in Southeastern's headquarter's offices. Proposals and recommendations for consideration in formulating the

proposed revised marketing policy are solicited, as are requests for further information or consultation.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Comments must be submitted on or before April 3, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Five copies of written proposals or recommendations should be submitted to the Administrator, Southeastern Power Administration, Elberton, Georgia 30635, (706) 213-3800.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Charles A. Borchardt, Administrator, Southeastern Power Administration, Elberton, Georgia 30635, (706) 213-3800.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A "Final Power Marketing Policy for the Cumberland System of Projects" was developed and published in the Federal Register on August 5, 1993, 58 FR 41762 by Southeastern. Transmission contracts under this policy with Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) and Carolina Power & Light (CP&L) are in the process of renegotiation. A contract with Kentucky Utilities Company (KU) for power allocated to municipal preference customers in the KU area was executed December 31, 1996. The Cumberland System consists of Barkley, Center Hill, Cheatham, Cordell Hull, Dale Hollow, Laurel, Old Hickory, J. Percy Priest, and Wolf Creek projects. The power from the projects is currently marketed to Preference Customers located in the service areas of TVA, Big Rivers Electric Corporation, CP&L (Western Division), East Kentucky Power Cooperative, KU, Municipal Energy Agency of Mississippi, the seven cooperative members of South Mississippi Electric Power Association currently receiving Cumberland power, and Southern Illinois Power Cooperative. The policy establishes the marketing area for system power and deals with the allocation of power among or for the benefit of area customers. It also deals with utilization of area utility systems for essential purposes, wholesale rates, resale rates, and energy and economic efficiency measures.

Under Section 5 of the Flood Control Act of 1944 (16 U.S.C. 825s), Southeastern is responsible for the transmission and disposition of electric power and energy from reservoir projects operated by the Department of Army. Southeastern has negotiated transmission contracts with area utilities described previously under this authority. To pay the transmission fees under these contracts to area utilities Southeastern must obtain an appropriation each year in a budget approved by Congress and the President. Because of budget