

Box 1188, Houston, Texas, 77251-1188, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), filed an application with the Commission in Docket No. CP97-286-000 for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to modify and operate certain compressor units at the design horsepower (HP) level, in order to increase operational efficiency and capacity on that portion of Transwestern's system described as the San Juan Lateral, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to the public for inspection.

Specifically, Transwestern proposes to increase the horsepower of three replacement Solar T7002 gas turbines at the Bloomfield Compressor Station near Bloomfield, New Mexico, to a design capacity level of 7,000 ISO (4,400 site rated) HP. Each unit was rated at 6,500 ISO (4,132 site rated) HP at the time of its installation, however, due to advanced technology, the replacement units are rated at a 7,000 ISO HP capacity level. The increase in horsepower will be achieved by mechanically readjusting the degree of pitch on the inlet guide vanes of the replacement gas turbine drivers. Transwestern estimates that the capital cost to modify the subject units at the Bloomfield Compressor Station will be approximately \$24,000, which will be financed with internally generated funds.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should, on or before April 11, 1997, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., 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 385.211 and 385.214) 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 processing. 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 the request should be granted. 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 Transwestern to appear or be represented at the hearing.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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### Unocal Corporation; Notice of Issuance of Order

March 21, 1997.

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

On March 19, 1997, 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 Unocal should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., 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, Unocal 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 Unocal'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 April 18, 1997.

Copies of the full text of the order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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### Williams Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

March 21, 1997

Take notice that on February 19, 1997, as supplemented March 13, 1997, Williams Natural Gas Company (WNG) P.O. Box 3288, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101, filed in Docket No. CP97-254-000 a request pursuant to Section 157.205, 157.212(a) and 157.216(b) of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.216(b)) for authorization to replace and relocate the Commerce town border setting, (2) to abandon by reclaim the Cardin and Treece town borders, and (3) to abandon by sale to Western Resources, Inc. (WRI) six town border meter settings, three domestic settings<sup>1</sup> and related service, located in Ottawa County, Oklahoma and Cherokee County, Kansas, under WNG's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-479-000, pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, WNG seeks authorization to replace the WRI Commerce town border setting with a triple run 3-inch meter setting and relocate it to the site of WNG's high pressure regulator in Ottawa County, Oklahoma. WNG states that replacing the existing meter setting with a triple-run will provide more accurate measurement at low volumes as well as reducing maintenance and measurement reading time. WNG states that the cost to replace the Commerce town border setting is estimated to be \$122,830.

<sup>1</sup> WNG originally proposed to abandon, by sale to WRI, four domestic settings. However, in its supplement WNG indicates that after further research, it has determined that one of the meters will not be affected by the proposed abandonment.