

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. GT97-19-000]

**Equitrans, L.P.; Notice of Proposed Change in FERC Gas Tariff**

April 8, 1997.

Take notice that on April 1, 1997, Equitrans, L.P. (Equitrans) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheet, to become effective April 1, 1997.

Sixth Revised Sheet No. 401

Equitrans states that this filing is made to update Equitrans' index of customers. In Order No. 581 the Commission established a revised format for the Index of Customers to be included in the tariffs of interstate pipelines and required the pipelines to update the index on a quarterly basis to reflect changes in contract activity. Equitrans requests a waiver of the Commission's notice requirements to permit the tariff sheet to take effect on April 1, 1997, the first calendar quarter, in accordance with Order No. 581.

Equitrans states that a copy of its filing has been served upon its customers and interested state commissions.

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 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. All such motions or 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. 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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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket Nos. RP97-157-001 and RP97-322-000]

**Gas Transports, Inc.; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff**

April 8, 1997.

Take notice that on April 2, 1997, Gas Transport, Inc. (GTI) tendered for filing various tariff sheets to its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, with a proposed effective date of June 1, 1997.

GTI states that these tariff sheets reflect the requirements of Order No. 587, issued by the Commission in Docket No. RM96-1-000 on July 17, 1996.

GTI states that copies of its filing were served upon its jurisdictional customers and the Regulatory Commissions of the states of Ohio and West Virginia.

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, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 or 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211). All Such motions or protests must be filed on or before April 22, 1997. 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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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP96-671-002]

**National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation; Notice of Amendment**

April 8, 1997.

Take notice that on April 3, 1997, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (National Fuel), 10 Lafayette Square, Buffalo, New York 14203, filed an amendment to its pending application in Docket No. CP96-671-000 pursuant to Sections 7(b) and (c) of the Natural Gas Act for a certificate of public

convenience and necessity authorizing the construction and operation of facilities in order to create additional firm transportation capacity from the Niagara import point to Leidy and Wharton, Pennsylvania, and permission and approval to abandon certain facilities, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

National Fuel states that the purpose of the amendment is to eliminate from the application the facilities not needed to serve two firm shippers, Enron Capital & Trade Resources Corp. (Enron) and Union Pacific Fuels, Inc. (Union Pacific), whose services are not dependent upon authorization of the proposed SeaBoard project of Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco). Specifically, National Fuel proposes to: (1) eliminate from its application the request for authorization to replace compressor units 1-4 at the Ellisburg Compressor Station with a new 3,200 hp unit, and (2) submit the Amended and Restated Precedent Agreement between National Fuel and Enron Capital & Trade Resources.

National Fuel states that the original application sought authorization for facilities that would provide an additional 48,000 Dth per day of firm winter capacity and 21,344 Dth per day of firm non-winter capacity from the Niagara import point to the interconnections between the facilities of National Fuel and Transco at Leidy and Wharton, Pennsylvania. Of this additional capacity, 44,344 Dth/d was subscribed on a long-term basis by Enron and Renaissance Energy (U.S.), Inc. (Renaissance), both of which planned to use the additional capacity on National Fuel's system in combination with proposed SeaBoard capacity downstream on Transco's system. It is stated that National Fuel's original service agreement with each of Enron and Renaissance made the execution of a transportation service agreement with Transco a condition to the execution of a transportation agreement with National Fuel.

National Fuel states that on January 21, 1997, Transco advised the Commission that its proposed SeaBoard Project would not be placed in service until at least November 1, 1998.

It is stated that on January 30, 1997, National Fuel filed an amendment to its application (First Amendment), which advised the Commission that National Fuel and Union Pacific have executed a precedent agreement for the remaining 3,656 Dth/d of firm winter capacity to be created by National Fuel's 1997