

customers and state regulatory commissions.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed on or before April 30, 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. 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 No. ER97-1621-000]

Columbia Energy Services Corporation; Notice of Issuance of Order

April 16, 1997.

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

On March 28, 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 CESC 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 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, CESC 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 CESC'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 28, 1997. Copies of the full text of the order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP96-128-000 and RP97-231-000]

Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company; Notice of Technical Conference

April 15, 1997.

Take notice that a technical conference will be convened in the above-docketed proceeding on Thursday, April 24, 1997, at 9:30 a.m., in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC, 20426. Any party, as defined in 18 CFR 385.10(c), any person seeking intervenor status pursuant to 18 CFR 385.214, and any participant, as defined in 18 CFR 385.102(b), is invited to participate.

For additional information, please contact Carolyn Van Der Jagt, 202-208-2246, or Tom Gooding, 202-208-1123, at the Commission.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. RP97-32-000 and CP97-128-000]

Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company; Notice of Informal Settlement Conference

April 15, 1997.

Take notice that an informal settlement conference in this proceeding will be convened on Thursday, April 24, 1997, at 1:00 p.m. The settlement conference will be held at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, for the purpose of exploring the possible settlement of the above referenced dockets.

Any party, as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(c), or any participant as defined in 18 CFR 385.102(b), is invited to attend. Persons wishing to become a party must move to intervene and receive intervenor status pursuant to the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 385.214).

For additional information, contact Thomas J. Burgess at (202) 208-2058 or Robert A. Young at (202) 208-5705.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-328-000]

Florida Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Compliance Filing

April 15, 1997.

Take notice that on April 10, 1997, Florida Gas Transmission Company (FGT) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1 the following tariff sheets, with an effective date of May 10, 1997:

Title Page
Seventh Revised Sheet No. 1
First Revised Sheet No. 7
Original Sheet No. 7A
Original Sheet No. 7B
Original Sheet No. 135A

FGT states that on September 28, 1995 and February 29, 1996 the Commission issued Order Nos. 582 and 582-A, respectively, which, among other things, contained provisions addressing the composition of interstate natural gas pipeline tariffs. FGT's Tariff was