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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-336-000]

Trailblazer Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

April 24, 1997.

Take notice that on April 21, 1997, Trailblazer Pipeline Company (Trailblazer) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, certain tariff sheets to be effective June 1, 1997.

Trailblazer states that the purpose of this filing is to implement a negotiated rate provision in its tariff consistent with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) "Statement of Policy and Request for Comments" issued January 31, 1996 in Docket Nos. RM95-6 and RM96-7.

Trailblazer requested waiver of the Commission's Regulations to the extent necessary to permit the tariff sheets submitted to become effective June 1, 1997.

Trailblazer states that copies of the filing are being mailed to its jurisdictional customers and interested state regulatory commissions.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests should be filed as provided in 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.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Hearings and Appeals

Proposed Implementation of Special Refund Procedures

AGENCY: Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of proposed implementation of special refund procedures.

SUMMARY: The Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA) of the Department of Energy announces proposed procedures for disbursement of \$2,380,290 (plus accrued interest) in alleged or adjudicated crude oil overcharges obtained by the DOE from Crude Oil Purchasing, Incorporated (Case No. LEF-0058), Jaguar Petroleum, Incorporated (Case No. LEF-0059), Westport Energy Corporation/Westport Petroleum Corporation (Case No. LEF-0113), and Gratex Corporation/Compton Corporation (Case No. VEF-0012). The OHA has tentatively determined that the funds obtained from these firms, plus accrued interest, will be distributed in accordance with the DOE's Modified Statement of Restitutionary Policy in Crude Oil Cases, 51 FR 27899 (August 4, 1986).

DATES AND ADDRESSES: Comments must be filed in duplicate within 30 days of the date of publication in the **Federal Register** and should be addressed to: Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0107. All comments shall refer to the case number or numbers referred to above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bryan F. MacPherson, Assistant Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals, Washington, DC 20585-0107, (202) 426-1571.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with 10 CFR 205.282(b), notice is hereby given of the issuance of the Proposed Decision and Order set forth below. The Proposed Decision and Order sets forth procedures that the DOE has proposed to use to distribute a total of \$2,380,290, plus accrued interest, remitted to the DOE by (1) Crude Oil Purchasing, Incorporated, (2) Jaguar Petroleum, Incorporated, (3) Westport Energy Corporation & Westport Petroleum Corporation, and (4) Gratex Corporation/Compton Corporation. The DOE is currently holding these funds in interest bearing escrow accounts pending distribution.

The OHA proposes to distribute these funds in accordance with the DOE's Modified Statement of Restitutionary

Policy in Crude Oil Cases, 51 FR 27899 (August 4, 1986) (the MSRP). Under the MSRP, crude oil overcharge moneys are divided among the federal government, the states, and injured purchasers of refined petroleum products. Refunds to the states will be distributed in proportion to each state's consumption of petroleum products during the price control period. Refunds to eligible purchasers will be based on the volume of petroleum products that they purchased and the extent to which they can demonstrate injury. Because the June 30, 1995, deadline for the crude oil refund applications has passed, no new applications from purchasers of refined petroleum products will be accepted.

Any member of the public may submit written comments regarding the proposed refund procedures. Commenting parties are requested to submit two copies of their comments. Comments should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** and should be sent to the address provided at the beginning of the notice. All comments received will be available for public inspection between the hours of 1 pm and 5 pm, Monday through Friday, except federal holidays, in the Public Reference Room of the Office of Hearings and Appeals, located in Room 1E-234, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0107.

Dated: April 22, 1997.

George B. Breznay,

Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals.

Proposed Decision and Order of the Department of Energy

April 22, 1997.

Implementation of Special Refund Procedures

Names of Firms: Crude Oil Purchasing, Incorporated; Jaguar Petroleum, Incorporated; Westport Energy Corporation & Westport Petroleum Corporation; Gratex Corporation/Compton Corporation.

Dates of Filings: July 20, 1993; July 20, 1993; September 9, 1993; March 23, 1995.

Case Numbers: LEF-0058; LEF-0059; LEF-0113; VEF-0012.

The Economic Regulatory Administration (ERA) of the Department of Energy filed four Petitions for the Implementation of Special Refund Procedures with the Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA) to distribute funds remitted to the DOE pursuant to settlements between Crude Oil Purchasing, Incorporated (COP), Jaguar Petroleum, Incorporated (Jaguar), Westport Energy Corporation & Westport Petroleum Corporation (Westport), Gratex Corporation and its parent, Compton Corporation (Gratex/Compton). A total of \$2,380,290, plus interest, is available for restitution. All of these funds are now being held in interest-bearing escrow accounts pending a