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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-521-000]

#### Texas Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Application

May 22, 1997.

Take notice that on May 14, 1997, Texas Gas Transmission Corporation (Texas Gas), P.O. Box 20008, Owensboro, Kentucky 42301, filed an abbreviated application in Docket No. CP97-521-000 pursuant to section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations for a certificate of public convenience and necessity and request for abandonment authority in order for Texas Gas to replace four existing engines at its Slaughters, Kentucky Compressor Station with two new engines, all as more fully set forth in the application on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Texas Gas proposes to abandon by removal four Ingersoll-Rand 123KVG engines rated at 1,320 horsepower each, and replace those engines by installing two Dresser-Rand TLAD-6 engines rated at 2,530 horsepower each. Although the total rated horsepower is slightly lower, Texas Gas states that the new Dresser-Rand engines have ambient capabilities that will allow them to achieve the existing horsepower levels.

Texas Gas states that such a project would normally qualify for the exemption from Section 7(c) authority provided under Section 2.55(b) of the Commission's regulations. However, due to the fact that there will be an incidental amount of additional winter-only capacity created on portions of Texas Gas's system due to the ambient temperature capability of the two new engines and the fact that additional property was acquired by Texas Gas in order to accommodate the replacement of the affected horsepower, Texas Gas is requesting Section 7 authority for the project.

Texas Gas states that the costs associated with the installation of the two new Dresser-Rand engines is approximately \$11,800,000.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before June 12,

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 385.214 and 385.211) 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 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 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 a grant of the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its 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 Texas Gas to appear or be represented at the hearing.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 1864-005]

#### Upper Peninsula Power Company; Notice of Meeting To Discuss Settlement Issues

May 22, 1997.

On June 5, 1997, at 9:00 a.m. Central Daylight Time, Commission staff from the Office of Hydropower Licensing will attend a settlement meeting for the proposed relicensing of the Bond Falls Hydroelectric Project. The meeting will be held in the Sylvania Visitor Center in Watersmeet, MI.

This hydropower project is located on major branches of the Ontonagon River, a tributary of western Lake Superior, in Ontonagon and Gogebic counties of the upper peninsula of Michigan, and Vilas County in northern Wisconsin.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the water budget modeling of various options before the settlement team. This meeting will provide an opportunity for the settlement team and others that may attend this meeting to fully understand the water budget modeling, but will not serve as a forum to debate the merits of the settlement process.

For further information, please contact Frankie Green at (202) 501-7704.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER97-2426-000]

#### UtiliSys Corporation; Notice of Issuance of Order

May 23, 1997.

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

On May 13, 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 UtiliSys 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, UtiliSys is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, endorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any