

DATE AND TIME: Monday, July 7, 1997, 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: J. W. Marriott Hotel, Grand Ballroom 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard C. Burrow, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board (AB-1), US Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20585, (202) 586-1709.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the Openness Advisory Panel is to provide advice to the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board regarding the status and strategic direction of the Department's classification and declassification policies and programs, and other aspects of the Department's ongoing Openness Initiative. The Panel's work will help institutionalize the Department's Openness Initiative.

Tentative Agenda—Monday, July 7, 1997

8:30 a.m.–9:00 a.m.—Opening Remarks and Introductions
 9:00 a.m.–9:20 a.m.—Report from the DOE Records Management Conference
 9:20 a.m.–10:00 a.m.—Status Report: DOE's Final Rule on the Identification of Classified Information
 10:00 a.m.–10:15 a.m.—Break
 10:15 a.m.–12:00 p.m.—Working Session
 12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m.—Lunch
 1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m.—Working Session
 2:30 p.m.–2:45 p.m.—Break
 2:45 p.m.–4:00 p.m.—Working Session
 4:00 p.m.–4:30 p.m.—Public Comment
 4:30 p.m.—Adjourn

This tentative agenda is subject to change. A final agenda will be available at the meeting.

Public Participation: The Chairman of the Panel is empowered to conduct the meeting in a way which will, in the Chairman's judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. During its meeting in Washington, D.C. the Panel welcomes public comment. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. The Panel will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. Written comments may be submitted to Skila Harris, Executive Director, Secretary of Energy Advisory Board, AB-1, US Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585. This notice is being published less than 15 days before the date of the meeting due to programmatic issues that had to be resolved prior to publication.

Minutes: Minutes and a transcript of the meeting will be available for public

review and copying approximately 30 days following the meeting at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190 Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, D.C., between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday except Federal holidays. Information on the Openness Advisory Panel may also be found at the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board's web site, located at <http://vm1.hqadmin.doe.gov:80/seab/>.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-587-000]

NorAm Gas Transmission Company Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

June 23, 1997.

The notice that on June 17, 1997, NorAm Gas Transmission Company (NGT), 1600 Smith Street, Houston, Texas 77002, filed in docket No. CP97-587-000, a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.211, and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.211, and 157.216) for authorization to abandon certain facilities and operate certain facilities in Arkansas to provide increased service to ARKLA, a distribution division of NorAm Energy Corp. (ARKLA), under its blanket certificate issued in Docket Nos. CP82-384-000 and CP82-384-001, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, NGT proposes to replace and upgrade four existing 1-inch delivery taps on its Line J in Jackson and Poinsett Counties, Arkansas to provide increased volumes to ARKLA's rural distribution lines. NGT states that the total estimated volumes to be delivered to these facilities is 131,400 MMBtu annually, and 360 MMBtu on a peak day. NGT says ARKLA will furnish all material, replace the meter and regulator stations with the U-shaped metering facilities, and then convey the new facilities to NGT at zero cost. The only cost will be for supervisory labor at approximately \$1,596, of which NGT

says ARKLA will reimburse it \$1,100 of those costs. NGT explains that the volumes delivered are within ARKLA's certificated entitlement and that NGT's tariff does not prohibit the addition of new delivery points. NGT says it has sufficient capacity to accomplish the deliveries without detriment of disadvantage to its other customers. NGT relates that no services will be abandoned. NGT submits that all work will be done above ground, no soil will be disturbed, and that the replacements will have no environmental impact affecting the quality of the human environment.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefor, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PR97-11-000]

PanEnergy Texas Intrastate Pipeline Company; Notice of Petition for Rate Approval

June 23, 1997.

Take notice that on June 16, 1997, PanEnergy Texas Intrastate Pipeline Company (PanEnergy), filed pursuant to Section 284.123(b)(2) of the Commission's Regulations, a petition for rate approval requesting that the Commission approve as fair and equitable a rate of 6.37 cents per MMBtu for interruptible transportation services through its single integrated pipeline system under Section 311(a)(2) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA).

PanEnergy states that it is an intrastate pipeline within the meaning of Section 2(16) of the NGPA and it owns and operates an intrastate pipeline