

the Commission issued certificates to Nautilus: (1) authorizing it to construct and operate approximately 101 miles of 30-inch diameter pipeline from a platform in Ship Shoal Block 207, offshore Louisiana, to Exxon U.S.A. Inc.'s Garden City Gas Processing Plant in St. Mary Parish, Louisiana; and (2) authorizing Nautilus to provide open-access transportation services for others.

Nautilus is a limited liability company, organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, with its principal place of business located in Houston, Texas. Nautilus' owners include: (1) Sailfish Pipeline Company, L.L.C., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Leviathan Gas Pipeline Partners, L.P. (25.67%); (2) Marathon Gas Transmission, Inc., an affiliate of Marathon Oil Company (24.33%); and (3) Shell Seahorse Company, an affiliate of Shell Offshore, Inc. (50.00%).

Nautilus' compliance filing is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-429-000]

#### Ozark Gas Transmission System; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

July 30, 1997.

Take notice that on July 25, 1997, Ozark Gas Transmission System (Ozark) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, First Revised Sheet No. 106 and Original Sheet No. 106A, to become effective September 1, 1997.

Ozark states that the revised tariff sheets implement an open tap policy for deliveries out of its system in compliance with the Commission's June 25, 1997 Order in Docket No. EC97-20. Specifically, Ozark states that it will install promptly metering and interconnection facilities in those instances when new facilities are necessary to accommodate the delivery of gas under its FTS Rate Schedule out of its system for delivery to a Local Distribution Company, municipality, electric utility, Independent Power Producer or direct end user, if the Shipper agrees to reimburse Ozark for the costs incurred for such installation.

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, 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 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.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-427-000]

#### Williams Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request for Waiver of Filing Requirement

Take notice that on July 23, 1997, Williams Natural Gas Company (WNG) tendered for filing a request for waiver of filing requirement pursuant to Article 14.2(g) of the General Terms and Conditions of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1.

WNG states that it implemented Article 14.2 of the General Terms and Conditions of its tariff pursuant to Commission order issued April 9, 1996 in Docket No. RP96-173. Article 14.2(g) requires WNG to file a statement within sixty days of the end of the twelve-month recovery period after implementation of Article 14.2, reflecting: (1) The aggregate amount of GSR Costs incurred and allocated to be collected during each twelve-month period following implementation of Article 14.2; and (2) the aggregate amount of GSR Costs deemed collected during each twelve-month period under Rate Schedule ITS as determined pursuant to Article 14.2(f).

WNG further states that Article 12.1 and Article 14.2(h) of its tariff provide that GSR costs allocated to ITS service are deemed collected after fixed costs allocated to ITS service are collected. Because of this provision, WNG cannot report GSR recovery from ITS service for the twelve month period following implementation of the provisions of

Article 14.2 until the end of the twelve-month period ending September 30, 1997, as the amount of GSR recovery is tied to the calculation of ITS revenues and fixed cost recovery. Therefore, WNG requests waiver of the reporting requirements of Article 14.2(g) of its tariff for as long as Article 12 requires the reporting of ITS revenues and as long as the collection of GSR costs allocated to ITS service as long as the collection of GSR costs allocated to ITS service is dependent upon the collection of fixed costs allocated to ITS service. WNG states that it will make this report along with the report required by Article 12.

WNG filed for information purposes a copy of Schedule C from its refund report in Docket No. RP95-136, filed April 15, 1997. Footnote 4 of schedule C reports the amount of GSR costs allocated to Rate Schedule ITS and the amount of GSR costs collected for the period June, 1996 through September, 1996.

WNG states that a copy of its filing was served on all of WNG's jurisdictional customers and interested state commissions.

Any persons 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. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed on or before August 6, 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 proceedings. 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.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-660-000]

#### Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

July 30, 1997.

Take notice that on July 24, 1997, Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline