

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is September 2, 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 No. RP97-431-000]

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

August 4, 1997.

Take notice that on July 30, 1997, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Sixth Revised Volume No. 1, certain tariff sheets to be effective September 1, 1997.

Natural states that the purpose of the filing is to implement new procedures in Natural's tariff for the posting, auctioning, allocation and awarding of firm capacity.

Natural requested whatever waivers may be necessary to permit the tariff sheets submitted to become effective September 1, 1997.

Natural states that copies of the filing are being mailed to its customers and interested state regulatory agencies.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said 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 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER97-3779-000]

Sierra Pacific Power Company; Notice of Filing

August 4, 1997.

Take notice that on July 18, 1997, Sierra Pacific Power Company (Sierra Pacific), filed revised open-access tariff sheets to clarify how constrained import capacity will be allocated among Network Customers and Sierra Pacific.

Sierra Pacific proposes that these revised tariff sheets become effective upon Commission approval.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said 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 Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests must be filed on or before August 15, 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. 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-669-000]

Southern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request under Blanket Authorization

August 4, 1997.

Take notice that on July 28, 1997, Southern Natural Gas Company (Southern), P.O. Box 2563, Birmingham, Alabama 35202-2563, filed in Docket No. CP97-669-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.212 and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.212 and 157.216) for authorization to modify certain measurement facilities in connection with a change at an existing delivery point, under

Southern's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-406-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Southern states that it is currently authorized to deliver natural gas to Alabama Gas Corporation (Alagasco) at Southern's Eclectic Delivery Point (Eclectic) which is located at or near Mile Post 241.544 on Southern's 16" South Main Line and 18" South Main Loop Line in Section 29, Township 18 North, Range 21 East, Elmore County, Alabama. Alagasco has requested the modifications in order to obtain additional gas supplies so that Alagasco may serve demand growth on its Eclectic system. Specifically, Southern proposes to modify the existing meter station by removing the existing regulators, relief valves and meter, and installing a 2-inch rotary meter, two 2" regulators, an indirect gas-fired heater, and miscellaneous piping and valves. These modifications will all be performed on Southern's existing station property located in Elmore County, Alabama. The total estimated cost of the modifications is \$182,300 and Alagasco has agreed to reimburse Southern.

Southern states that the proposed modification of facilities, including the removal of the existing equipment, will not result in any termination of service or any change to the total Firm Transportation Demand delivered to Alagasco. The proposed abandonment of facilities and change in delivery pressure are not prohibited by Southern's existing tariff and such operational changes will have no impact on Southern's peak day and annual deliveries.

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