

in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before August 21, 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. ER97-3574-000; and OA97-608-000]

New England Power Pool; Notice of Filing

August 8, 1997.

Take notice that on July 1, 1997, as supplemented on July 7, 1997, New England Power Pool tendered for filing changes to the provisions of the NEPOOL Agreement.

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, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before August 21, 1997. Protests filed will be considered by the Commission 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 must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-440-000]

Northern Border Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

August 8, 1997.

Take notice that on August 5, 1997, Northern Border Pipeline Company (Northern Border) tendered for filing to become part of Northern Border Pipeline Company's FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheet to become effective August 1, 1997:

Eleventh Revised Sheet Number 156

Northern Border states that the revised Rate Schedule IT-1 Maximum Rate is being filed in compliance with the Commission's order issued August 1, 1997 in Docket No. RP96-45-004. Northern Border proposes to decrease the Maximum Rate from 5.201 cents per 100 Dekatherm-Miles to 3.744 cents per 100 Dekatherm-Miles.

Northern Border states that the herein proposed changes do not result in a change in Northern Border's total revenue requirement.

Northern Border states that copies of this filing have been sent to all of Northern Border's contracted shippers and applicable state regulatory commissions.

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, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.214 and Section 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. CP97-685-000]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

August 8, 1997.

Take notice that on August 6, 1997, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha Nebraska 68124-1000, filed in Docket No. CP97-685-000 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 upgrade the Rippey #2, an existing delivery point located in Greene County, Iowa, to accommodate increased interruptible natural gas deliveries to UtiliCorp United, Inc. (UCU) for redelivery to the Rippey Co-Op, under Northern's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-401-000 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.

Northern states that it requests authorization to upgrade the existing delivery point to accommodate increased natural gas deliveries to UCU under Northern's currently effective throughput service agreement(s). Northern states that UCU has requested increased interruptible service to accommodate area growth.

Northern states that the proposed increase in volumes to be delivered to UCU at the Rippey #2 are 910 MMBtu on a peak day and 48,500 MMBtu on an annual basis. Northern estimates a cost of \$56,000 for upgrading and UCU will reimburse Northern.

Northern states that the upgrading is not prohibited by its existing tariff and that it has sufficient capacity to accomplish deliveries without detriment or disadvantage to other customers. The proposed delivery point will not have an effect on Northern's peak day and annual deliveries and the total volumes delivered will not exceed total volumes authorized prior to this request.

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 § 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a