

Federal Power Act an application for Commission approval to effect a corporate reorganization which involves the creation of a holding company and the transfer of certain contracts, all as more fully set forth in the application.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest the 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 385.214 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions to intervene or protests should be filed on or before September 29, 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. EC97-53-000]

**Portland General Electric Co; Notice of Filing**

September 4, 1997.

Take notice that on August 29, 1997, Portland General Electric Company ("PGE"), tendered for filing pursuant to Section 203 of the Federal Power Act (the "FPA"), 16 U.S.C. § 824b, Part 33 of the Commission's regulations, 18 CFR Part 33, and 18 CFR 2.26, an Application for an order approving the assignment and transfer of two contracts to its corporate affiliate, Enron Power Marketing, Inc. ("EPMI").

PGE states that the contracts proposed to be assigned are a Settlement Exchange Agreement, dated September 17, 1985, between the United States of America, and the Department of Energy, acting through the Bonneville Power Administration and PGE. The second contract is a Long-Term Power Sale Agreement dated August 24, 1987, between PGE and the United States of America, acting through the Western Area Power Administration. PGE states that the proposed assignment will give EPMI, a power marketer and broker, the ability to administer the contracts. PGE

requests expeditious review of the Application.

PGE states that a copy of the Application is being served upon the Oregon Public Utilities Commission.

Any person desiring to be heard or protest such 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 385.214 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before September 29, 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. RP97-420-000]

**Southern Natural Gas Company**

September 16, 1997.

In the Commission's order issued on August 15, 1997, in the above-captioned proceeding, the Commission held that the filing raises issues for which a technical conference is to be convened.

The conference to address the issues has been scheduled for Thursday, October 9, 1997, at 11:00 a.m. in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

All interested persons and Staff are permitted to attend.

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

Acting Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP97-650-000]

**Williams Natural Gas Company; Notice of Application**

September 16, 1997.

Take notice that on July 18, 1997, Williams Natural Gas Company (WNG), P.O. Box 3288, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101, filed in Docket No. CP97-650-000 an application pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing WNG to increase the maximum allowable operating pressure (MAOP) of the Ottawa-Sedalia 20-inch loop pipeline located in Franklin County, Kansas and Johnson County, Missouri, and the Grain Valley 20-inch pipeline located in Cass and Jackson Counties, Missouri, all as more fully described in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.<sup>1</sup>

Specifically, WNG states that uprating the aforementioned pipelines will improve system integrity and reliability, and will provide increased operational flexibility. WNG estimates that the proposed uprate will cost approximately \$1,386,843 which will be paid from funds on hand.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before October 7, 1997, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 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 or 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

<sup>1</sup> Williams was notified by letter on August 1, 1997 that its application could not be noticed until Williams filed the Environmental Report with its application as required by Section 380.3(c)(2) of the Commission's Regulations. Williams provided the report on September 12, 1997.