

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket Nos. RP98-59-000 and RP96-140-007]

**Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff**

December 2, 1997.

Take notice that on November 25, 1997, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets to become effective January 1, 1998:

Original Sheet No. 990

Original Sheet No. 99P

Pursuant to the prior agreements of the parties following Columbia's first filing to recover Accrued-But-Not-Paid Gas Costs, this filing should be sub-docketed under the RP96-140 docket number.

Columbia states that the instant filing is being submitted pursuant to Article VII, Section C, Accrued-But-Not-Paid Gas Costs, of the "Customer Settlement" in Docket No. GP94-02, et al., approved by the Commission on June 15, 1995 (71 FERC 61,337 (1995)). The Customer Settlement became effective on November 28, 1995, when the Bankruptcy Court's November 1, 1995 order approving Columbia's Plan of Reorganization became final. Under the terms of Article VII, Section C, Columbia is entitled to recover amounts for Accrued-But-Not-Paid Gas Costs. As directed by Article VII, Section C, the tariff sheets contained herein are being filed in accordance with Section 39 of the General Terms and Conditions of the Tariff, to direct bill the Accrued-But-Not-Paid Gas Costs that have been paid subsequent to November 28, 1995.

Columbia states that the instant filing reflects Accrued-But-Not-Paid Gas Costs in the amount of \$9,636.40 plus applicable FERC interest of \$180.13. This is Columbia's seventh filing pursuant to Article VII, Section C, and Columbia reserves the right to make the appropriate additional filings pursuant to that provision. The allocation factors on Appendix F of the Customer Settlement were used as prescribed by Article VII, Section C.

Columbia states that copies of its filing have been mailed to all parties on the Commission's service list in Docket No. RP96-140 and RP-140-002, and to each of Columbia's firm customers, interruptible customers, and affected state commissions. Columbia also agrees

to make available for this filing the data that it was required to provide in its June 13, 1996 compliance filing in Docket No. RP96-140-002 pursuant to a protective agreement.

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 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. 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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[Docket No. RP98-60-000]

**Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Filing**

December 2, 1997.

Take notice that on November 25, 1997, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia) tendered for filing Attachment A to the filing, which details, by customer, the historical load factors calculated using total firm entitlements for the 12-month period ended October 31, 1997.

Columbia states that this filing is being submitted pursuant to the Commission's November 12, 1997 Order in Docket Nos. RP97-149-002 and RP97-391-000, in which the Commission approved GRI's 1998 funding formula continuing the 1997 funding formula with allocated RD&D program costs to its members. Since the approved charges for 1998 are the same as the GRI charges approved for 1997, no revision is required in Columbia's presently effective Sheet Nos. 25 through 28, but the charges to certain of Columbia's firm customers will change based upon the revised historical load factor calculations.

Columbia states that this filing is to reflect Columbia's changes to its firm customers' load factors reflected in the calculations on Attachment A. As stated above, any new customer added after

January 1, 1998 will be billed GRI each month based on the actual throughput for each prior month of service until a 12-month history is established. Nevertheless, Columbia is filing Attachment A to the filing so as to insure that the load factors resulting from the calculations are a matter of public record.

Columbia states that copies of its filing have been mailed to all parties on the Commission's service list in Docket No. RP96-140 and RP96-140-002, and to each of Columbia's firm customers, interruptible customers, and affected state commissions. Columbia also agrees to make available for this filing the data that it was required to provide in its June 13, 1996 compliance filing in Docket No. RP96-140-002 pursuant to a protective agreement.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RP97-287-009]

**El Paso Natural Gas Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff**

December 2, 1997.

Take notice that on November 26, 1997, El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso) tendered for filing to be part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1-A, the following tariff sheets to become effective December 1, 1997:

Tenth Revised Sheet No. 30

Fifth Revised Sheet No. 31

Fourth Revised Sheet No. 32

El Paso states that the above tariff sheets are being filed to implement