

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP98-157-000]

Williams Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

January 2, 1998.

Take notice that on December 22, 1997, Williams Natural Gas Company (WNG), One Williams Center, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101, filed in Docket No. CP98-157-000, a request, pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.212), for authorization to utilize facilities originally installed for the delivery of NGPA Section 311 transportation to The Quintin Little Company, Inc. (Little) in Carter County, Oklahoma, for purposes other than NGPA Section 311 transportation, under WNG's blanket certificate authorization issued in Docket No. CP82-479-000, pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

WNG asserts it began delivering gas to Little through the Section 311 facilities on December 2, 1997, with the initial delivery being 390 Dth. Little estimates the peak day requirement will be approximately 800 Dth with an annual volume of 144,000 Dth and will remain relatively constant.

WNG states that this change is not prohibited by an existing tariff and that it has sufficient capacity to accomplish the deliveries specified without detriment or disadvantage to its other customers. WNG indicates the cost to construct the facilities was \$35,500, which was reimbursed by Little. WNG has sent a copy of this request to the Oklahoma Corporation Commission.

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 therefore, 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 If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for

authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

David P. Boergers,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. ER98-689-000]

Zapco Power Marketers, Inc.; Notice of Issuance of Order

January 2, 1998.

Zapco Power Marketers, Inc. (Zapco) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which Zapco will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions as a marketer. Zapco also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, Zapco requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by Zapco.

On December 29, 1997, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Rate Applications, Office of Electric Power Regulation, granted requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by Zapco 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).

Absent a request for hearing within this period, Zapco is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, endorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, and compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approval of Zapco's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is January 28, 1998. Copies of the full text of the

order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

David P. Boergers,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. ER98-891-000, et al.]

Louisville Gas and Electric Company, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

December 30, 1997.

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

1. Louisville Gas and Electric Company

[Docket No. ER98-891-000]

Take notice that on December 1, 1997, Louisville Gas and Electric Company tendered for filing copies of a service agreement between Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Constellation Power Source, Inc., under Rate GSS.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. Louisville Gas and Electric Company

[Docket No. ER98-892-000]

Take notice that on December 1, 1997, Louisville Gas and Electric Company tendered for filing copies of service agreements between Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Electric Clearinghouse, Inc., under Rate GSS.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

3. Arizona Public Service Company

[Docket No. ER98-893-000]

Take notice that on December 2, 1997, Arizona Public Service Company (APS), tendered for filing a Service Agreement to provide Short-Term Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service under APS' Open Access Transmission Tariff with Duke Energy Trading & Marketing, L.L.C., (Duke).

A copy of this filing has been served on Duke and the Arizona Corporation Commission.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

4. MidAmerican Energy Company

[Docket No. ER98-894-000]

Take notice that on December 2, 1997, MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican), 666 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50303 submitted for filing with the Commission a Service Agreement dated November 6, 1997, with Vitol Gas & Electric LLC entered into pursuant to MidAmerican's Rate Schedule for Power Sales, FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 5 (Tariff).

MidAmerican requests an effective date of November 9, 1997, for this Agreement, and accordingly seeks a waiver of the Commission's notice requirement. MidAmerican has served a copy of the filing on Vitol Gas & Electric LLC, the Iowa Utilities Board, the Illinois Commerce Commission and the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

5. Enserch Energy Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER98-895-000]

Take notice that, on December 2, 1997, Enserch Energy Services, Inc. (EES), submitted for filing its FERC Electric Rate Schedule No. 1, providing for EES to sell electric capacity and energy at market-based rates. EES seeks an effective date of the earlier of 61 days from the date of filing, or the date of the order accepting the rates for filing. EES also seeks waiver of certain regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission consistent with the Commission's treatment of power marketers. EES has included in its filing protections applicable to affiliated power marketers.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

6. Southwestern Public Service Company

[Docket No. ER98-896-000]

Take notice that on December 2, 1997, Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS), tendered for filing a wholesale sales contract and an operations and maintenance contract with the City of Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Copies of this filing were served upon the relevant state public service commission and the City of Las Cruces.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

7. Northeast Utilities Service Company

[Docket No. ER98-897-000]

Take notice that on December 2, 1997, Northeast Utilities Service Company

(NUSCO), tendered for filing on behalf of The Connecticut Light and Power Company, Western Massachusetts Electric Company, Holyoke Water Power Company, Holyoke Power and Electric Company and Public Service Company of New Hampshire (collectively, the NU System companies), a summary of NUSCO's activity under the NY System Companies Tariff No. 7 (market-based rates) for the quarter ending September 30, 1997.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

8. Washington Water Power Company

[Docket No. ER98-898-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, Washington Water Power Company, tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission pursuant to 18 CFR 35.13, executed Service Agreements and Certificates of Concurrence under WWP's FERC Electric Tariff First Revised Volume No. 9, with New Energy Ventures and OGE Energy Resources, Inc. WWP requests waiver of the prior notice requirement and requests an effective date of December 1, 1997. WWP also tenders for filing a Certificate of Concurrence for QST Energy Trading, which replaces a Certificate dated May 21, 1997, previously filed under Docket No. ER97-3147-000.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

9. Portland General Electric Company

[Docket No. ER98-902-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, Portland General Electric Company (PGE), tendered for filing under PGE's Final Rule pro forma tariff (FERC Electric Tariff Original Volume No. 8, Docket No. OA96-137-000), an executed Service Agreement for Short-Term Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service with Duke Energy Trading and Marketing.

Pursuant to 18 CFR 35.11, and the Commission's Order in Docket No. PL93-2-002 issued July 30, 1993, PGE respectfully requests that the Commission grant a waiver of the notice requirements of 18 CFR 35.3 to allow the Service Agreement to become effective November 18, 1997.

A copy of this filing was caused to be served upon Duke Energy Trading and Marketing as noted in the filing letter.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

10. Portland General Electric Company

[Docket No. ER98-903-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, Portland General Electric Company (PGE), tendered for filing under PGE's Final Rule pro forma tariff (FERC Electric Tariff Original Volume No. 8, Docket No. OA96-137-000), an executed Service Agreement for Short-Term Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service with Illinova Energy Partners.

Pursuant to 18 CFR 35.11, and the Commission's Order in Docket No. PL93-2-002 issued July 30, 1993, PGE respectfully requests that the Commission grant a waiver of the notice requirements of 18 CFR 35.3 to allow the Service Agreement to become effective November 18, 1997.

A copy of this filing was caused to be served upon Illinova Energy Partners as noted in the filing letter.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

11. Public Service Electric and Gas Company

[Docket No. ER98-904-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, Public Service Electric and Gas Company (PSE&G), of Newark, New Jersey, tendered for filing an agreement for the sale of capacity and energy to NESI Power Marketing, Inc. (NESI), pursuant to the PSE&G Wholesale Power Market Based Sales Tariff, presently on file with the Commission.

PSE&G further requests waiver of the Commission's Regulations such that the agreement can be made effective as of November 5, 1997.

Copies of the filing have been served upon NESI and the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

12. Florida Power Corporation

[Docket No. ER98-905-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, Florida Power Corporation (Florida Power), tendered for filing a service agreement providing for firm point-to-point transmission service to Williams Energy Services Company (Williams Energy), pursuant to its open access transmission tariff. Florida Power requests that the Commission waive its notice of filing requirements and allow the agreement to become effective on December 4, 1997.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

13. Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Company

[Docket No. ER98-906-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Company (SIGECO), tendered for filing five (5) service agreements for market based rate power sales under its Market Based Rate Tariff with the following entities:

1. EnerZ Corporation
2. US Gen Power Services, L.P.
3. AIG Trading Corporation
4. DPL Energy, Inc.
5. PP&L, Inc.

Copies of the filing were served upon each of the parties to the service agreements.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

14. Kentucky Utilities Company

[Docket No. ER98-907-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, Kentucky Utilities Company (KU), tendered for filing a Supplement to FERC Rate Schedule 203, the Interconnection Agreement between KU and East Kentucky Power Cooperative.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

15. Florida Power & Light Company

[Docket No. ER98-908-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, Florida Power & Light Company (FPL), tendered for filing a proposed notice of cancellation of an umbrella service agreement with Delhi Energy Services, Inc., for Non-Firm transmission service under FPL's Open Access Transmission Tariff.

FPL requests that the proposed cancellation be permitted to become effective on December 1, 1997.

FPL states that this filing is in accordance with Part 35 of the Commission's Regulations.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

16. East Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc.

[Docket No. ER98-909-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, East Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. (ETEC), tendered for filing a November 20, 1997, amendment to the Wholesale Power Contract between ETEC and Tex-La Electric Cooperative of Texas, Inc., (Tex-La). The amendment reflects the assignment by Tex-La to ETEC of certain of Tex-La's rights and obligations under the Power Sales Agreement between Tex-La and Southwestern Electric Power Company, dated November 15, 1990.

Copies of the filing were served on the public utility's customers and the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

17. Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Company

[Docket No. ER98-910-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Company (SIGECO), tendered for filing two (2) service agreements for non-firm transmission service under Part II of its Transmission Services Tariff with the following entities:

1. EnerZ Corporation
2. US Gen Power Services, L.P.
3. Hoosier Energy REC, Inc.

Copies of the filing were served upon each of the parties to the service agreements.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

18. Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Company

[Docket No. ER98-911-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Company (SIGECO), tendered for filing two (2) service agreements for firm transmission service under Part II of its Transmission Services Tariff with the following entities:

1. Williams Energy Services Company
2. Hoosier Energy REC, Inc.

Copies of the filing were served upon each of the parties to the service agreements.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

19. Minnesota Power & Light Company

[Docket No. ER98-912-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, Minnesota Power & Light Company and Superior Water, Light & Power Company, as Transmission Provider, tendered for filing a signed Network Integration Service Agreement with Minnesota Power & Light Company, as Transmission Customer, for the following points of delivery:

Cities of Aitkin, Biwabik, Brainerd, Buhl, Ely, Gilbert, Grand Rapids, Keewatin, Mt. Iron, Pierz, Proctor, Randall, Two Harbors, Superior Water Light & Power Company, and Dahlberg Light & Power Company under its Network Integration Service Agreement to satisfy its filing requirements under this tariff.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

20. Minnesota Power & Light Company

[Docket No. ER98-913-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, Minnesota Power & Light Company, tendered for filing a signed Service Agreement with Constellation Power Source, Inc., under its Non-Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service to satisfy its filing requirements under this tariff.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

21. Illinois Power Company

[Docket No. ER98-914-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, Illinois Power Company (Illinois Power), 500 South 27th Street, Decatur, Illinois 62526, tendered for filing a Power Sales Tariff, Service Agreement under which ConAgra Energy Services, Inc., will take service under Illinois Power Company's Power Sales Tariff. The agreements are based on the Form of Service Agreement in Illinois Power's tariff.

Illinois Power has requested an effective date of November 4, 1997.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

22. Southern California Edison Company

[Docket No. ER98-915-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, Southern California Edison Company (Edison), tendered for filing an Added Facilities Agreement (Agreement), between Edison and the City of Banning.

Edison is requesting an effective date of January 25, 1998, for the Agreement.

Copies of this filing were served upon the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California and all interested parties.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

23. Idaho Power Company

[Docket No. ER98-916-000]

Take notice that on January 13, 1997, Idaho Power Company (IPC), tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Service Agreements under Idaho Power Company FERC Electric Tariff No. 6, Market Rate Power Sales Tariff, between Idaho Power Company and Kootenai Electric Cooperative.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

24. Southwest Reserve Sharing Group

[Docket No. ER98-917-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, Tucson Electric Power Company (TEP), on behalf of the Southwest Reserve Sharing Group (SRSG), tendered for filing the Southwest Reserve Sharing Group Participation Agreement (Agreement). The Parties to the Agreement are the following:

1. Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.;
2. Arizona Public Service Company;
3. City of Farmington, New Mexico;
4. El Paso Electric Company;
5. Incorporated County of Los Alamos, New Mexico;
6. Nevada Power Company;
7. Plains Electric Generation and Transmission Cooperative, Inc.;
8. Public Service Company of New Mexico;
9. Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District;
10. Tucson Electric Power Company; and
11. Western Area Power Administration—Desert Southwest Region.

TEP also tendered on behalf of Arizona Public Service Company a Certificate of Concurrence in the Agreement. The other public utility members of the SRSG will separately file certificates of concurrence.

The Agreement allows for the sharing of contingency reserves for emergencies among the SRSG members. The SRSG has requested a waiver of notice pursuant to 18 CFR 35.11 to permit the Agreement to become effective as of January 1, 1998.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

25. Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.

[Docket No. ER98-918-000]

Take notice that on December 3, 1997, Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a division of MDU Resources Group, Inc. (Montana-Dakota) tendered for filing amendments to a certain Interconnection and Common Use Agreement entered into between Montana-Dakota and Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Inc., (Basin).

Copies of the filing were served on Basin and on the interested utility regulatory agencies.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

26. Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation

[Docket No. ER98-919-000]

Take notice that on December 4, 1997, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (Niagara Mohawk), tendered for filing an agreement between Niagara Mohawk and Citizens Power and Light Corporation (CPL), dated January 25, 1995, providing for certain transmission services to CPL.

Copies of this filing were served upon CPL and the New York State Public Service Commission.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

27. Southern California Edison Company

[Docket No. ER98-920-000]

Take notice that on December 4, 1997, Southern California Edison Company (Edison), tendered for filing the Edison-Colton 1997 Restructuring Agreement (Restructuring Agreement), between Edison and the City of Colton, California (Colton), and a Notice of Cancellation of various agreements and rate schedules applicable to Colton. Included in the Restructuring Agreement as Appendices B, C, D, E, F, G, and H are: the Wholesale Distribution Access Tariff Service Agreement, Amendment No. 1, to the Edison-Colton Hoover Firm Transmission Service Agreement, Amendment No. 1, to the Edison-Colton Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station Firm Transmission Service Agreement, Amendment No. 2, to the Edison-Colton Pasadena Firm Transmission Service Agreement, Amendment No. 1, to the Edison-Colton 1995, San Juan Unit 3, Firm Transmission Service Agreement, Amendment No. 1, to the Amended Edison-Colton Sylmar Firm Transmission Service Agreement, and the Edison-Colton Pacific Intertie Firm Transmission Service Agreement.

The Restructuring Agreement is the result of negotiations between Edison and Colton to modify existing contracts to accommodate the emerging Independent System Operator (ISO)/Power Exchange market structure. The Restructuring Agreement significantly simplifies the existing operational arrangements between Edison and Colton. In addition, the Restructuring Agreement provides for cancellation of existing bundled service arrangements and obligations between Edison and Colton. Edison is requesting that the Restructuring Agreement become effective on the date the ISO assumes operational control of Edison's transmission facilities.

Copies of this filing were served upon the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California and all interested parties.

Comment date: January 13, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraph

E. 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 should be filed on or before the comment date. 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.

David P. Boergers,*Acting Secretary.*

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OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY**Meeting of the President's Committee of Advisors on Science and Technology****ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and summary agenda for a meeting of the President's Committee of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST), and describes the functions of the Committee. Notice of this meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

Dates and Place: January 26, 1998. The White House Conference Center, Truman Room, Third Floor, 726 Jackson Place, NW, Washington, DC 20500.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Proposed Schedule and Agenda: The President's Committee of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST) will meet in open session on Monday, January 26, 1998, at approximately 9:00 AM to discuss PCAST Panels, Federal Government initiatives, public understanding of science and technology, and the 1998 PCAST agenda setting. This session will end at approximately 5:00 PM.