

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission**

[Docket No. RP98-140-000]

**Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company;
Notice of Tariff Filing**

February 26, 1998.

Take notice that on February 23, 1998, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee), tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1, Fifth Revised Sheet No. 405C. Tennessee requests an effective date of March 25, 1998.

Tennessee states that Fifth Revised Sheet No. 405C proposes a new tariff provision that would allow Tennessee under certain limited circumstances to reserve existing capacity, or capacity that will soon become available, for expansion projects.

Tennessee further states that it will post on its EBB that it is reserving capacity for an expansion project and identify such capacity in its posting. Tennessee will only reserve capacity for expansion projects for which an open season has been held within one year of the date that Tennessee posts the capacity as reserved. Tennessee will make the reserved capacity available for short-term contracts during the interim period before the expansion project goes into service.

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, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.211 and 385.214 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 this 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.

David P. Boergers,*Acting Secretary.*

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[Docket No. CP98-239-000]

**Texas Eastern Transmission
Corporation; Notice of Certificate
Application**

February 26, 1998.

Take notice that on February 17, 1998, Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation (Texas Eastern), 5400 Westheimer Court, Houston, Texas 77056-5310, filed an application pursuant to sections 7(b) and 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, for authorization to abandon (by removal) a portion of Texas Eastern's Line No. 14, in Orange County, Texas, and for a certificate authorizing Texas Eastern to replace that pipeline segment, all as more fully set forth in the application, which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Texas Eastern refers to its pipeline replacement project as its Vidor Project. The Vidor Project calls for the replacement of approximately 1,365 feet of Texas Eastern's 30-inch, Line No. 14, in Orange County, Texas, and the abandonment (by removal) of the existing 30-inch pipeline segment to be replaced, as a safety upgrade of that pipeline segment (from Class 2 to Class 3 under the U.S. Department of Transportation's regulations 49 CFR Part 192). The 1,365-foot pipeline segment being replaced lies between MP 22.91 and MP 23.16 on Line No. 14. The estimated total capital cost of the replacement is \$924,000.

Texas Eastern states that the replacement pipeline segment will not change the system's maximum daily design capacity, and that the 30-inch, replacement pipeline segment will have a design delivery capacity equivalent to the facilities being replaced. Texas Eastern also states that the Vidor Project will require the disturbance of 3.53 acres of land (of which 1.85 acres will be temporary work space), that the project will require a 25-foot offset from the existing pipeline, and that (as a result) Texas Eastern plans to acquire a 0.67-acre strip of land as a new permanent right-of-way and relinquish the corresponding 0.67-acre strip of its existing right-of-way.

Any person desiring to participate in the hearing process or to make any protest with reference to said application should, on or before March 19, 1998, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C., 20426, a motion to intervene or 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 the proceeding, or to participate as a party in any hearing therein, must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

A person obtaining intervenor status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by every intervenor. An intervenor can file for rehearing of any Commission order and can petition for court review of any such order. However, an intervenor must submit copies of comments, or any other filing it makes with the Commission, to every other intervenor in the proceeding, in addition to the 14 copies it must file with the Commission.

A person does not have to intervene, however, in order to have comments considered. A person may submit two copies of comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of environmental documents and will be able to participate in meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties, or issued by the Commission, and will not have the right to seek rehearing or appeal the Commission's final order to a federal court. The Commission will consider all comments and concerns equally, whether filed by commenters or those requesting intervenor status.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee of this application, if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, or if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that permission and approval for the proposed abandonment and a grant of the requested certificate are required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to