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David P. Boergers,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. SA98-25-000]

Range Oil Company, Inc.; Notice of Petition for Adjustment

March 20, 1998.

Take notice that on March 9, 1998, Range Oil Company, Inc. (Range) filed a petition for adjustment, pursuant to section 502(c) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 [15 U.S.C. 3142(c)(1982)], requesting that the Commission issue an order determining that the Kansas ad valorem tax refunds required by the Commission's September 10, 1997 order (in Docket No. RP97-369-000, *et al.*)¹ on remand from the DC Circuit Court of Appeals,² are barred by operation of law. The subject refunds have been sought by Williams Natural Gas Company (Williams) in response to the Commission's September 10 order. Range's petition is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Range has been unable to identify all of the subject gas leases. Range has requested that Williams assist in the allocation of the claim between leases. All of the monies received from Williams as reimbursement of Kansas ad valorem taxes was remitted to royalty owners of various leases operated by Range, no part of the reimbursement was allocated to the working interest in the subject leases.

Range does not have an ongoing contractual relationship which would permit Range to collect the subject refunds through billing adjustments; applicant states that the alleged refunds as to these royalty owners should be deemed to be uncollectible because four (4) of these royalty owners are deceased and their estates are closed, and the Kansas non-claim statute (K.S.A. 59-2239) prohibits Range, as operator, from

taking legal action against these deceased royalty owners to obtain refunds. Applicant further submits that the refunds due from Herbert C. Voorhis and Joyce Voorhis in the total amount of \$1,115.32 should be deemed to be subject to a hardship ruling based upon the statement of their attorney. Applicant submits that these refunds should be deemed to be uncollectible and the Commission should waive the obligation of Range to make payment of the same to Williams.

Therefore, Range requests that the Commission grant Range staff adjustments in the amount of \$2,159.25 for taxes and interest as of December 31, 1997, in connection with the Statement of Refunds Due submitted to it on November 10, 1997, by Williams.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said petition should on or before 15 days after the date of publication in the **Federal Register** of this notice, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., 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, 385.211, 385.1105, and 385.1106). 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.

David P. Boergers,
Acting Secretary.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. PR96-2-002 and PR96-7-002]

Transok, LLC; Notice of Filing

March 20, 1998.

Take notice that on March 16, 1998, Transok, LLC (Transok) submitted for filing fuel factors of .94% for the Transok Traditional System and of 1.44% for the Anadarko System proposed to be effective May 1, 1998, pursuant to the terms of Transok's most recent section 311 rate cases which implemented fuel trackers for both systems.

Transok states that it has served a copy of the filing on all current shippers and on the Oklahoma Corporation Commission.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed on or before March 27, 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 proceedings. 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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-104-000]

Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company; Notice of Technical Conference

March 20, 1998.

On December 31, 1997, Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company (Williston Basin) filed tariff sheets to implement a paper pooling service pursuant to a request by one of its shippers and in compliance with Order No. 587, Standards for Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines. On January 30, 1998, the Commission issued an order accepting the tariff sheets effective February 1, 1998, subject to conditions, and subject to Williston Basin's filing revised tariff sheets within 15 days of the order.¹

In the January 30, 1998 order, the Commission questioned Williston Basin's restrictions regarding storage volumes and pooled volumes originating from multiple rate schedules, and required Williston Basin to file an explanation within 15 days of the order. On February 13, 1998, Williston Basin filed further explanations to support those provisions of its proposed pooling service. These explanations require further inquiry. Therefore, pursuant to the January 30, 1998 order, staff will convene a technical conference at which

¹ Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company, 82 FERC § 61.082 (1998).

¹ See 80 FERC ¶ 61,264(1997); order denying reh'g issued January 28, 1998, 82 FERC ¶ 61,058(1998).

² *Public Service Company of Colorado v. FERC*, 91 F.3d 1478 (DC 1996), cert. denied, Nos. 96-954 and 96-1230 (65 U.S.L.W. 3751 and 3754, May 12, 1997) (Public Service).