

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission**

[Docket No. CP98-290-000]

**NorAm Gas Transmission Company;
Notice of Request Under Blanket
Authorization**

March 23, 1998.

Take notice that on March 19, 1998, NorAm Gas Transmission Company (NGT), 1111 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas 77002, filed a request with the Commission in Docket No. CP98-290-000, pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA), for authorization to own and operate certain facilities in Arkansas to deliver gas to Arkla, a distribution of NorAm Energy Corporation authorized in blanket certificate issued in Docket Nos. CP82-384-000 and CP82-384-001, all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

NGT proposes to install a 1-inch delivery tap and meter station on NGT's Line BT-14 in Conway County, Arkansas which would provide service to Arkla's rural distribution system. The estimated volumes to be delivered through the above facilities are 4,320 MMBtu annually and 11 MMBtu on a peak day. NGT's construction costs are estimated at \$6,523. NGT states that Arkla would reimburse NGT \$5,603 of actual construction costs.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after the Commission has issued this notice, 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 NGA (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the allowed time, 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 If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of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 NGA.

David P. Boergers,*Acting Secretary.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory
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[Docket No. CP98-282-000]

**Northwest Pipeline Corporation; Notice
of Request Under Blanket
Authorization**

March 23, 1998.

Take notice that on March 16, 1998, Northwest Pipeline Corporation (Northwest), 295 Chipeta Way, Salt Lake City, Utah 84158-0900, filed in Docket No. CP98-282-000, a request, pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.211), for authorization to construct and operate a new Oremet Meter Station to provide direct deliveries to Oregon Metallurgical Corporation (Oremet) in Linn County, Oregon, under Northwest's blanket certificate authorization issued in Docket No. CP82-433-000, 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.

Northwest describes the new meter station as tap facilities, consisting of two 4-inch taps, one each on Northwest's 10-inch Camas-Eugene Lateral and 20-inch lateral loop line; and meter facilities consisting of a 3-inch turbine meter, 2-inch piping, filter-separator, valves and appurtenances.

Northwest reports that the proposed meter station will have a design delivery capacity of approximately 4,300 Dth per day, limited by the inlet piping, calculated at an assumed line pressure of 500 psig, with initial deliveries projected to be up to 2,000 Dth per day and up to 500,000 Dth annually.

Northwest states that Oremet is presently receiving natural gas transportation and sales services from Northwest Natural Gas Company (Northwest Natural), a local distribution company. Northwest says that Oremet requested Northwest to provide a new delivery point for direct natural gas deliveries to Oremet's titanium mill, when the Oregon Public Utility Commission declined to approve an anti-bypass competitive rate contract between Northwest Natural and Oremet.

Northwest provides services to Northwest Natural under Rate Schedule TF-1, TF-2 or TI-1 transportation agreements. Northwest indicates that to receive service from Northwest at the new Oremet Meter Station, Oremet intends to acquire released firm capacity on Northwest's system or arrange for deliveries by existing firm shippers.

Northwest states that the total cost for construction of the meter station will be approximately \$189,000; \$30,000 for new tap facilities to be built and owned by Northwest and the remainder for the new meter facilities to be built and owned by Oremet. Northwest says its expenses will be totally reimbursed by Oremet. Northwest proposes to operate the meter station, including facilities to be owned by Oremet, as part of its open-access transportation system.

Northwest asserts that any deliveries made to Oremet through the new Meter Station will be gas delivered either for Oremet or other shippers for whom Northwest is authorized to transport gas. Northwest states that any volumes delivered to the new Oremet delivery point will be within the authorized entitlement of such shippers. Northwest does not expect its system peak day deliveries or its annual throughput to increase since deliveries through the proposed facilities will replace existing services currently being provided by Northwest Natural, which is also served by Northwest.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, D.C., 20426, 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
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[Docket No. CP98-285-000]

**Northwest Pipeline Corporation; Notice
of Application**

March 23, 1998.

Take notice that on March 18, 1998, Northwest Pipeline Corporation