

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 If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of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.

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*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. ER98-441-000, ER98-1019-000, ER98-2550-000, ER98-495-000, ER98-1614-000, ER98-2145-000, ER98-2668-000, ER98-2669-000, ER98-496-000, ER98-2160-000, ER98-441-001, ER98-495-001, and ER98-496-001]

#### Notice of Settlement Conference

August 21, 1998.

In the matter of: Southern California Edison Company, et al.; California Independent System Operator Corp.; El Segundo Power, LLC; Pacific Gas & Electric Company; Duke Energy Moss Landing LLC; Duke Energy Oakland LLC; San Diego Gas & Electric Company; Southern California Edison Company; Pacific Gas & Electric Company; San Diego Gas & Electric Company.

Take notice that a settlement conference will be convened in the subject proceedings on Wednesday, September 2, 1998, at 9:00 AM, through Thursday, September 3, 1998. The conference will be held at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC.

Any party, as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(c), or any participant, as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(b), may attend. Persons wishing to become a party must move to intervene and receive intervenor status pursuant to § 385.214 of the Commission's regulations.

For additional information, please contact Paul B. Mohler at (202) 208-1240, or Linda Lee at (202) 208-0673. Mr. Mohler or Ms. Lee can also be reached by e-mail at paul.mohler@ferc.fed.us, or at linda.lee@ferc.fed.us.

Parties wishing to discuss issues with the Settlement Judge for these proceedings may contact: Honorable Curtis L. Wagner, Jr., Chief Administrative Law Judge, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., N.E., Room 11F-1, Washington, DC 20426, Phone: 202-219-2500, FAX: 202-219-3289, E-mail:

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP98-723-000]

#### Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc.; Notice of Application

August 21, 1998.

Take notice that on August 13, 1998, Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc. (Williams), formerly named Williams Natural Gas Company, P.O. Box 3288, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101, filed in Docket No. CP98-723-000, an application pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing Williams to increase the Maximum Allowable Operating Pressure (MAOP) of the 2.8 mile, 6-inch diameter, Iola Lateral pipeline located in Allen County, Kansas, all as more fully set forth in application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Williams proposes to increase the MAOP of the Iola Lateral from 86 psig to 175 psig. Williams will perform the pressure test required for the proposed uprate using natural gas. Williams estimates that the proposed uprate and testing will cost \$17,628.

Any person desiring to be heard or making any protest with reference to said application should on or before September 11, 1998, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, 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 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (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. The Commission's rules require that protestors provide copies of their protests to the party or person to whom the protests are directed. 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.

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 issued by the Commission, filed by the applicant, or filed by all other intervenors. An intervenor can file for rehearing of any Commission order and can petition for court review of any such order. However, an intervenor must serve copies of comments or any other filing it makes with the Commission to every other intervenor in the proceeding, as well as filing an original and 14 copies with the Commission.

A person does not have to intervene, however, in order to have comments considered. A person, instead, may submit two copies of such 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 Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the NGA and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this application if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Williams to appear or be represented at the hearing.

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*Acting Secretary.*

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