

(KN), P.O. Box 281304, Lakewood, Colorado 80228, filed in Docket No. CP98-736-000 an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act for authorization to abandon certain pipeline facilities in Texas, all as more fully set forth in the application on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

K N proposes to abandon by sale to Westar Transmission Company, an intrastate affiliate, facilities comprising the western portion of the Buffalo Wallow Pipeline System, located in Hemphill County, Texas. K N states that Westar will operate the facilities as part of its intrastate system and agrees to assume all service obligations and operational and economic responsibilities for the facilities. It is explained that the facilities to be sold to Westar will be conveyed at \$4,768,809, to be adjusted to the actual net book value on the date of transfer. K N asserts that the facilities sold to Westar will be nonjurisdictional following the transfer and requests a finding that they will be exempt from Commission regulation. K N states that the proposed abandonment will not result in any interruption, reduction, or termination of service to existing customers.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before September 17, 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 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 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.

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 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 K N to appear or be represented at the hearing.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-742-000]

#### Koch Gateway Pipeline Company; Notice of Application

August 27, 1998.

Take notice that on August 24, 1998, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company (Koch Gateway), Post Office Box 1478, Houston, Texas 77251-1478, filed in Docket No. CP98-742-000 an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act, for permission and approval to abandon four obsolete natural gas transportation services formerly provided to Shell Oil Company (Shell), all as more fully set forth in the application on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, the services that Koch Gateway is proposing to abandon were performed under Koch Gateway's Rate Schedules X-32, X-35, X-36, and X-95. It is stated that Shell concurs with the proposed abandonments, and that no facilities are proposed to be abandoned. Koch Gateway avers that the abandonment of the inactive and obsolete services will relieve Koch Gateway of the associated certificated obligations and will have no impact on the operation of Koch Gateway's system.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before September 17, 1998, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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 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 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.

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 Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission's 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 permission and approval for the proposed abandonment are 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 Koch Gateway to appear or be represented at the hearing.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-724-000]

#### Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C., Notice of Request Under Blanket Certificate

August 27, 1998.

Take notice that on August 13, 1998, as supplemented on August 20, 1998, Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C. (Maritimes), 1284 Soldiers Field Road, Boston, Massachusetts, 02135, filed 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(b)). Maritimes seeks authorization to install, own and operate a one-half mile, 16-inch diameter natural gas lateral line and certain other natural gas facilities in Cumberland County, Maine. These facilities will establish a new delivery point for Gorham Energy Limited Partnership (Gorham Energy) which is proposed to be in service on November 1, 1999. This request is made in accordance with the authority granted Maritimes in its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP96-178-000, under Part 157, Subpart F of the