

heavy streams are artificially suppressed, Tesoro asserts that MAPCO, Petro Star and other shippers are subsidized and Tesoro is competitively disadvantaged. For these reasons, Tesoro states that it has since 1988 actively participated in the Quality Bank proceedings, including those in Docket No. OR96-14, to ensure that the various TAPS streams, including the refinery return streams, are accurately valued. On May 29, 1998, the presiding judge issued an initial decision in Docket No. OR96-14 (83 FERC ¶ 63,011) dismissing the Exxon Company, U.S.A. complaint at issue there, and held that Tesoro's issues were thereby rendered moot, but that Tesoro was free to file its own complaint.

Based upon the testimony and exhibits of Tesoro's witness in Docket No. OR96-14, Tesoro now seeks to modify the valuation procedure for naphtha by: (i) eliminating single market pricing in favor of using both West Coast prices; (ii) valuing West Coast naphtha as a function of the price of gasoline on the West Coast in recognition of the primary use of naphtha on the West Coast; and (iii) adjusting the values of the naphtha cuts of the various TAPS streams to account for differences in N + A content. Tesoro further proposes that the value of VGO by market-appropriate and, to that end, requests adoption of the OPIS quote for West Coast high-sulfur VGO for West Coast VGO.

Finally, Tesoro suggests that the Commission reinstate the procedural schedule in Docket No. OR96-14, as such schedule existed when the presiding judge terminated that proceeding and invited Tesoro to file its own complaint. Tesoro states that the answering evidence filed in Docket No. OR96-14 could be incorporated as part of the record in this complaint proceeding, and a new date set for the filing of rebuttal evidence, with a hearing date no later than 45 days thereafter. Tesoro asserts this avoids having to start from "square one".

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said complaint should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 214 and 211 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure 18 CFR 385.214, 385.211. All such motions or protests should be filed on or before September 21, 1998. 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 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. Answers to this complaint shall be due on or before September 21, 1998.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. 2299-040 and -042]

Turlock and Modesto Irrigation Districts; Notice of Application to Amend License

September 9, 1998.

By letter dated March 6, 1998, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) requested the Commission modify article 38 of the license for the Don Pedro Project, No. 2299. Consultation among the Turlock and Modesto Irrigation Districts (licensees) and the Corps resulted in a joint request, filed on August 14, 1998, to amend subparagraph (a) of article 38. The licensee requests the paragraph be amended to read:

Article 38(a). Flows below La Grange bridge may be altered by the licensees at any time in connection with the operation of the project for flood control purposes or other emergencies provided that, if such flood control operations are required, flows shall be made to meet the requirements of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's approved Water Control Plan, Water (Flood) Control Diagram, and Emergency Spillway Release Diagram or an approved deviation from these documents. The licensees shall take reasonable measures to insure that releases from the project do not cause the flow in the Tuolumne River at the Modesto gage to below Dry Creek to exceed 9,000 cfs unless otherwise agreed to by the Corps of Engineers. After flood control criteria within the reservoir have been met, the licensees shall reduce the releases from the project as soon as it is reasonably practicable.

Please submit any comments on the request within 30 days from the date of this notice. Any comments, conclusions, or recommendations that draw upon studies, reports, or other working papers of substance should be supported by appropriate documentation. Please affix Project No. 2299-042 on all filings.

Comments, protests and requests to intervene may be made in accordance with the following paragraphs.

Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the

requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protest, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENT", "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTEST", OR "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

Agency Comments—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-397-000]

Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company; Notice of Request for Waiver

September 9, 1998.

Take notice that on September 3, 1998, Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company (Williston Basin), tendered for filing a request for a one-time waiver of Section 7 of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1 and footnote A to the Notices of Currently Effective Rates for Rate Schedule FS-1.