

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 Eastern Shore to appear or be represented at the hearing.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-791-000]

Equitrans, L.P.; Notice of Application

October 6, 1998.

Take notice that on September 18, 1998, as supplemented October 2, 1998, Equitrans, L.P. (Equitrans),¹ 3500 Park Lane, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15275, filed in Docket No. CP98-791-000, a request pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act, as amended, and Commission's rules and Regulations thereunder (18 CFR Sections 157.7 and 157.18), for authorization to abandon individually certificated transportation service to New Jersey Natural Gas Company (New Jersey Natural) under Rate Schedule STS-1, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Equitrans states that upon abandonment of Rate Schedule STS-1 New Jersey Natural would convert its Rate Schedule STS-1 entitlements to equivalent firm entitlements under Equitrans' open-access Rate Schedule FTS. Equitrans further states that by letter dated August 25, 1998, New Jersey Natural requested conversion of service effective October 1, 1998. Equitrans states that New Jersey Natural agrees to pay applicable rates and adhere to the terms and conditions of Rate Schedule FTS. Equitrans states that New Jersey Natural would pay the same total rates for Rate Schedule FTS service, including stranded gathering charges, it currently pays under Rate Schedule STS-1.² Equitrans also states that New

Jersey Natural would retain its Part 157 storage rights under Rate Schedule SS-3 and would convert its related transportation at the identical winter and summer entitlement levels to open-access under Rate Schedule FTS. Equitrans further states that the certificate level of service entitlements to all other customers would remain unchanged, and that no modification of Equitrans' rates is required. It is also stated that Equitrans does not propose to abandon any facilities as part of this application.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before October 27, 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'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 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 Equitrans to appear or be represented at the hearing.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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slightly different rate structure but equal total rates, including stranded gathering costs, for Rate Schedule STS-1 and FTS.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. TM99-1-166-000]

Kansas Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

October 6, 1998.

Take notice that on October 1, 1998, Kansas Pipeline Company (Kansas Pipeline) tendered for filing, as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the tariff sheets listed below, to be effective November 1, 1998.

First Revised Sheet No. 15
First Revised Sheet No. 17
First Revised Sheet No. 21
First Revised Sheet No. 23
First Revised Sheet No. 26
First Revised Sheet No. 28
First Revised Sheet No. 30
First Revised Sheet No. 32

Kansas Pipeline states that this filing is made in accordance with Section 23 (Fuel Reimbursement Adjustment) of the General Terms and Conditions of Kansas Pipeline's FERC Gas Tariff. The revised tariff sheets reflect the following changes to the Fuel Reimbursement Percentage: (1) a 4.9% increase in the Zone 1 Reimbursement Percentage for volumes delivered between April and October; (2) a 13.6% increase in the Zone 1 Fuel Reimbursement Percentage for volumes delivered between November and March; (3) the Zone 2 Fuel Reimbursement Percentage has been set at 0.00%.

Kansas Pipeline states that copies of this filing are being served on all affected customers and applicable state regulatory agencies.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining in the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. 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 in the Public Reference Room.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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¹ Equitrans, L.P. and Equitrans, Inc. have a joint application in Docket No. CP96-532-000 on file with the Commission for a name change.

² Equitrans filed a Stipulation and Agreement in Docket No. RP97-346, *et al.* On August 31, 1998 which proposes to resolve the issues in its on-going Section 4 rate proceeding. The settlement proposes