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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP99-162-000]

Great Lakes Gas Transmission Limited Partnership; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

January 28, 1999.

Take notice that on January 19, 1999, Great Lakes Gas Transmission Limited Partnership (Great Lakes), One Woodward Avenue, Suite 1600, Detroit, Michigan 48226, filed in Docket No. CP99-162-000 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 tap, a meter station, approximately 1.6 miles of 16-inch pipe (to connect the tap and meter station), and appurtenant facilities to establish a delivery point (the China Township Delivery point) for service to The Detroit Edison Company (Detroit Edison), a new end-use shipper on its system, in St. Clair County, Michigan, under the blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP90-2053-000, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Great Lakes states that the proposed tap will consist of a below-grade 16-inch tap off of its mainline loop (the 200 line), a below-grade valve, a riser, and above-grade manual valve operator, and interconnecting piping. Great Lakes notes that permanent fencing will enclose the above-grade facilities. Great Lakes proposes to construct and operate an above-grade, 8-inch meter station (which will consist of a single 8-inch meter run and turbine meter, a pressure regulator, gas heater, and appurtenant facilities) adjacent to the location where Detroit Edison will house three new gas-fired 72 megawatt generating units.

According to Great Lakes once the proposed facilities are completed, they will enable Detroit Edison to receive gas to fuel three new gas-fired peak load electric generating units, which will be capable of producing a total of 216 megawatts of electricity per hour. Great Lakes contends that Detroit Edison will use this power to increase reserve capacity levels, which will thereby

alleviate potential shortfalls in meeting its peak power requirements. Great Lakes claims that Detroit Edison will require transportation service for these three units as of May 1, 1999, without service by this date the units will not be available to generate the power required under peak load conditions.

According to Great Lakes, SEMCO Gas Company (SEMCO), a shipper on Great Lakes' system, currently provides retail gas distribution service in this area. Great Lakes states that SEMCO provides Detroit Edison with minimal gas volumes at the Belle River location and that those volumes are not associated with the generation of power. According to Great Lakes the Detroit Edison's base load power generation at the Belle River location is coal-fired. Thus, Great Lakes alleges that the service which it will provide to Detroit Edison is for new gas-fired generating facilities, which will not displace any service presently provided by SEMCO to Detroit Edison. Great Lakes states that Detroit Edison executed a precedent agreement providing for deliveries of up to 3,384 dth per hour.

Great Lakes states that Detroit Edison will acquire its own natural supplies and utilize the seller's existing transportation service on Great Lakes' system upstream of the proposed line tap, or utilize a backhaul transportation service on Great Lakes' mainline, to receive gas at the delivery point. Therefore, Great Lakes states that it will be able to provide the service without impacting upon its system-wide peak day and annual deliveries. According to Great Lakes, the transportation of gas for Detroit Edison's account will occur under Rate Schedule FT of its FERC Gas Tariff. Great Lakes claims that the parties will execute a ten-year firm transportation agreement under Rate Schedule FT. Great Lakes estimates that the cost of constructing the new facilities will be approximately \$2.3 million.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, 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 Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefor, the proposed activity shall be deemed 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.

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[Docket Nos. CP96-178-008, CP96-809-007, and CP97-238-008]

Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C.; Notice of Amendment

January 27, 1999.

Take notice that on January 22, 1999, Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C. (Maritimes), filed in Docket Nos. CP96-178-008, CP96-809-007, and CP97-238-008, an application pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act for an amendment to the certificates previously issued to Maritimes to construct, install, own, operate, and maintain the Maritimes Phase I and Phase II facilities from Dracut, Massachusetts to a point at the international border between the United States and Canada near Woodland, Maine. Maritimes's proposal is more fully set forth in the application for amendment which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Maritimes is a limited liability company, organized and existing under the laws of the state of Delaware, Maritimes' members are M&N Management Company, an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of Duke Energy Corporation; Westcoast Energy (U.S.) Inc., an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of Westcoast Energy, Inc.; Mobil Midstream Natural Gas Investments Inc., an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of Mobil Corporation; and Scotia Power U.S., Ltd., an indirect, wholly subsidiary of NS Power Holdings, Inc.

Maritimes requests that its certificates be amended as they apply to Phases I and II service:

- (1) To phase the in-service date of certain of its lateral line facilities;
- (2) To defer, subject to further market commitments, certain other laterals;
- (3) To eliminate one compressor unit at the Baileyville, Maine compressor station;
- (4) To install one compressor unit at Richmond, Maine on a back up basis;
- (5) To uprate each of the three compressor units to be installed (two at Richmond, one at Baileyville) to 8311