

Number of respondents annually (1)	Number of responses per respondent (2)	Average burden hours per response (3)	Total annual burden hours (1) × (2) × (3)
660	1	2	1,320

Estimated cost burden to respondents: 1,320 hours/2,080 hours per year × \$109,889 per year = \$69,737. The cost per respondent = \$106.

The reporting burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide the information including: (1) Reviewing instructions; (2) developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collection, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

The estimate of cost for respondents is based upon salaries for professional and clerical support, as well as direct and indirect overhead costs. Direct costs include all costs directly attributable to providing this information, such as administrative costs and the cost for information technology. Indirect or overhead costs are costs incurred by an organization in support of its mission. These costs apply to activities which benefit the whole organization rather than any one particular function or activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques of other forms of information technology

e.g. permitting electronic submission of responses.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-283-000]

Sabine Pipe Line Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

April 15, 1999.

Take notice that on April 12, 1999, Sabine Pipe Line Company (Sabine) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, First Revised Sheet No. 248A, to become effective May 15, 1999.

Sabine states that the purpose of this filing is to modify the provisions of its FERC Gas Tariff to specify the types of discounts that are permissible and would not constitute a "material deviation" requiring individual agreements to be filed with FERC.

Sabine states that copies of this filing are being mailed to its customers, state commissions and other interested parties.

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 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. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/>

rims.htm (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

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Acting Secretary.

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Independent Pipeline Company, ANR Pipeline Company, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Independence Pipeline and Market Link Expansion Projects

April 15, 1999.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared this draft environmental impact statement (draft EIS) on natural gas pipeline facilities proposed by ANR Pipeline Company (ANR), Independence Pipeline Company (Independence), National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (National Fuel), and Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) in the above-referenced dockets.

The draft EIS was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The staff concludes that approval of the proposed projects, with appropriate mitigating measures as recommended, would have limited adverse environmental impact. The draft EIS also evaluates alternatives to the proposal, including system alternatives.

The draft EIS assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the following facilities in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey:

ANR

- About 72.3 miles of high pressure pipeline looping in three segments, consisting of about 42.4 miles of 42-inch-diameter pipeline, and about 29.9 miles of 30-inch-diameter pipeline;