

application, pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations seeking permission and approval to abandon by sale 1.9 Bcf of base gas in Columbia's Lucas Storage Field (Lucas Field) located in Ashland and Richland Counties, Ohio, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Columbia states that operational efficiencies within the Lucas Field have reduced the need to maintain the historic levels of base gas in Lucas Field. Columbia further states that the disposition of proceeds from the proposed sale of the base gas will be made pursuant to Section C. of Article IV, of Stipulation II of the Settlement in Docket No. RP95-408 Columbia Gas Transmission Corp., 79 FERC ¶ 61,044 (1997).

Any questions regarding the application should be directed to either Ronald L. Binford at (304) 357-2489 (voice) 357-2926 (fax) or Fredric J. George at (304) 357-2359 (voice) (304) 357-3206 (fax), Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation, P.O. Box 1273; Charlestown, West Virginia 25325-1273.

Any person desiring to participate in the hearing process or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before July 14, 1999, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 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 in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that protestors provide copies of their protests to the party or person to whom the protests are directed. 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 abandonment 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 Columbia to appear or be represented at the hearing.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER99-3253-000]

#### Mid-Continent Area Power Pool; Notice of Filing

June 21, 1999.

Take notice that on June 15, 1999, the Mid-Continent Area Power Pool (MAPP), on behalf of its public utility members, filed short-term firm and non-firm service agreements under MAPP Schedule F with AES Power, Incorporated; Ameren Services Company; Ames Municipal Electric System; Basin Electric Power Cooperative (Basin Electric); Central Iowa Power Cooperative; Conagra Energy Services, Inc.; GEN-SYS Energy; Great River Energy; Koch Energy Trading, Incorporated; Lincoln Electric System (LES); Madison Gas and Electric Company; Minnesota Municipal Utilities Association; Minnesota Power; Minnkota Power Cooperative, Incorporated; Missouri River Energy Services; Northern AES; Rainbow Energy Marketing Corporation; Rochester Public Utilities; Southern Minnesota Municipal Power Agency; St. Joseph Light & Power Company; Tenaska Power Services Co.; and TransCanada Power. MAPP also filed, on behalf of its public utility members, service specifications for long-term service under Schedule F with Basin Electric; Interstate Power Company—Marketing; LES; MidAmerican Energy Company; Nebraska Public Power District; Wisconsin Power & Light Company—Bulk Power Marketing; and Wisconsin Public Power, Inc.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such filing should file a motion

to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions and protests should be filed on or before July 6, 1999. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine 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. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims/htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP99-558-000]

#### National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation; Notice of Application

June 23, 1999.

Take notice that on June 15, 1999, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (National Fuel), 10 Lafayette Square, Buffalo, New York 14203, filed in Docket No. CP99-558-000 an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act for permission and approval to abandon the storage service it provides to Colonial Gas Company (Colonial) and Boston Gas Company (Boston Gas) under its SS-1 and SS-2 Rate Schedules, all as more fully set forth in the application on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Specifically, National Fuel seeks permission and approval to abandon the storage service it provides to Colonial under National Fuel's SS-1 Rate Schedule, and Boston Gas under National Fuel's SS-2 Rate Schedule, effective April 1, 2000. National Fuel states that both customers, as provided in their service agreements, submitted written notice of termination to National Fuel, effective at the end of the gas day on March 31, 2000.

Any questions regarding the application should be directed to David