

approval of new and revised rates pursuant to section 284.123(b)(2) of the Commission's regulations, and a July 18, 1997, Commission letter order in Docket Nos. PR96-13-000, *et al.* The 1997 letter order approved settlement rates for Nicor's (then Northern Illinois Gas Company, as NI-Gas) firm and interruptible storage services, as well as interruptible transportation service, requiring a filing by July 15, 1999, restate such rates or propose new rates for such services.

Accordingly, Nicor requests that the Commission approve as fair and equitable (a) a maximum rate for interruptible transportation service of \$0.0804 per MMBtu, (b) a maximum rate for interruptible storage service of \$0.0946 per MMBtu/d, and (c) maximum rates for firm storage service of \$1.4393 per MMBtu for the monthly deliverability charge, \$0.0262 per MMBtu for the monthly capacity charge, and injection and withdrawal rates designed to recover only fuel costs.

In addition, Nicor proposes (a) a maximum reservation rate for new firm transportation service of \$2.4465 per MMBtu, and a maximum commodity rate for such service designed to recover only fuel costs, and (b) a maximum daily rate of \$0.1750 for new parking and loaning service. Finally, Nicor requests that it be permitted to implement negotiated rates for its Part 284 services. All rates are requested to be effective July 15, 1999.

Nicor states that it is an intrastate gas distribution public utility subject to the jurisdiction of the Illinois Commerce Commission under the Illinois Public Utilities Act and that it was issued a blanket certificate under section 284.224 in Docket No. CP92-481. Nicor also notes that, simultaneously with its petition for rate approval herein, it is filing in Docket No. CP92-481 a revised Operating Statement adding the terms and conditions of its proposed new firm transportation service, parking and loaning service, and negotiated rates program.

Pursuant to Section 284.123(b)(2)(ii), if the Commission does not act within 150 days of the filing date, the proposed rates will be deemed fair and equitable. The Commission may, prior to the expiration of the 150-day period, extend the time for action or institute a proceeding to afford parties an opportunity for written comments and for the oral presentations of views, data, and arguments.

Any person desiring to participate in this rate proceeding must file a motion to intervene or a 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 motions must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission on or before August 10, 1999. The petition for rate approval is on file with the Commission and is available for 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).

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-424-001]

#### Texas-Ohio Pipeline, Inc.; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

July 28, 1999.

Take notice that on July 22, 1999, Texas-Ohio Pipeline, Inc., (Texas-Ohio) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, a First Revised Sheet No. 54C, with an effective date of August 1, 1999.

Texas-Ohio states that the purpose of this filing is to correct a pagination error in its filing that was made on July 2, 1999 in Docket No. RP99-424-000.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed as provided in 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. 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).

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER99-3163-000 and Docket No. EL99-78-000]

#### UtiliCorp United, Inc.; Initiation of Proceeding and Refund Effective Date

July 29, 1999.

Take notice that on July 28, 1999, the Commission issued an order in the above-indicated dockets initiating a proceeding in Docket No. EL99-78-000 under section 206 of the Federal Power Act.

The refund effective date in Docket No. EL99-78-000 will be 60 days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EG99-198-000, et al.]

#### Consolidated Edison Energy Massachusetts, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

July 22, 1999.

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

##### 1. Consolidated Edison Energy Massachusetts, Inc.

[Docket No. EG99-198-000]

Take notice that on July 19, 1999, Consolidated Edison Energy Massachusetts, Inc. tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, an Application for Determination of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status pursuant to Part 365 of the Commission's Regulations.

*Comment date:* August 12, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice. The Commission will its consideration of comments to those that concern the adequacy or accuracy of the application.

##### 2. PP&L Montana, LLC

[Docket No. EL99-79-000]

Take notice that on July 19, 1999, PP&L Montana, LLC (Applicant) filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission a petition for declaratory order disclaiming jurisdiction and for an order reconfirming a prior order and request for expedited consideration.