

Department of Energy, Albuquerque Operations Office, P.O. Box 5400, Albuquerque, NM 87185-5400 or by telephone at (505) 845-6201. The Site-Wide EIS is available under the NEPA Analyses Module of the DOE NEPA Web Site at <http://tis.eh.doe.gov/nepa/>. A Spanish translation of the Summary is also available on the DOE NEPA Web Site. The Site-Wide EIS is available for public inspection at the following locations:

University of New Mexico, Government Document Collection, Zimmerman Library, Main Campus, Albuquerque, New Mexico

U.S. Department of Energy, Freedom of Information Reading Room, Room 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information on the DOE NEPA process, please contact Ms. Carol M. Borgstrom, EH-42, Director, Office of NEPA Policy and Assistance, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20585. Ms. Borgstrom may be contacted by calling (202) 586-4600 or by leaving a message at (800) 472-2756.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Site-Wide EIS incorporates comments received during the public comment period from April 16, 1999 through June 15, 1999. The Site-Wide EIS was prepared pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) [42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*], the Council on Environmental Quality NEPA regulations [40 CFR part 1500], and the DOE NEPA regulations [10 CFR part 1021]. The Department proposes to continue operating the SNL/NM, which is located in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

DOE has identified and assessed three alternatives for the operation of SNL/NM: (1) No Action, (2) Expanded Operations, and (3) Reduced Operations. In the No Action Alternative, DOE would continue the status quo; that is, operating at planned levels as reflected in current DOE management plans. In the Expanded Operations Alternative, DOE would increase activity at SNL/NM to the highest reasonable level that could be supported by current facilities and includes the potential expansion/construction of new facilities specifically addressed in the Site-Wide EIS. Under the Reduced Operations Alternative, activities would be reduced to the minimum level of operations needed to maintain SNL/NM facilities and equipment in an operational readiness mode.

DOE's Preferred Alternative for SNL/NM, as identified in the Final Site-Wide EIS, is the Expanded Operations Alternative, exclusive of the Microsystems and Engineering Sciences Applications (MESA) Complex. In the Final Site-Wide EIS, DOE added discussion of a developing proposal for a new MESA Complex in order to share with the public information being assembled during the ongoing conceptual design. DOE will prepare an environmental assessment for the MESA Complex when the conceptual design is complete, to determine whether an EIS is required.

The analysis in the Site-Wide EIS indicates that all impacts from the Preferred Alternative would be small except water usage, which contributes to the general groundwater drawdown in the city of Albuquerque. There is little difference in the environmental impacts among the alternatives analyzed.

Subsequent Document Preparation: DOE intends to issue a Record of Decision no earlier than 30 days following publication in the **Federal Register** of the Environmental Protection Agency's Notice of Availability of the Final Site-Wide EIS, which appeared in the **Federal Register** on October 29, 1999. DOE will publish the Record of Decision in the **Federal Register**.

Issued in Washington, DC, on November 1, 1999.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-206-005]

Atlanta Gas Light Company; Notice of Technical Conference

November 2, 1999.

Take notice that a technical conference will be held on November 17, 1999, at 10:00 a.m., in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20426.

All interested parties and Staff are permitted to attend.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP00-14-000, CP00-15-000, and CP00-16-000]

Buccaneer Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C.; Notice of Applications for Certificates

November 2, 1999.

Take notice that on October 28, 1999, Buccaneer Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C. (Buccaneer or Applicant), Post Office Box 1396, Houston, Texas 77251, filed an application in Docket No. CP00-14-000 pursuant to and in accordance with Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and the optional certificate procedures of Part 157(E) of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the construction and operation of natural gas pipeline, compression, measuring and other related facilities. On that same date Buccaneer filed in Docket No. CP00-15-000 for a blanket certificate of public convenience and necessity to render firm and interruptible transportation services on an open access basis pursuant to Part 284(G) of the Commission's regulations and for approval of initial rates. Also, Buccaneer requests in Docket No. CP00-16-000 the issuance of a blanket certificate of public convenience and necessity under Part 157(F) of the Commission's regulations authorizing certain facility construction, operation and abandonment,¹ all as more fully set forth in the applications which are on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222).

Pursuant to Section 157.102(b)(1) of the Commission's regulations, Buccaneer (i) requests that the instant application be considered under the optional procedures of Part 157(E) and (ii) agrees to comply with all terms and conditions specified in Section 157.103.

Buccaneer requests that the Commission issue a preliminary determination on the non-environmental aspects of this proposal

¹ On September 30, 1999, Buccaneer previously filed for certificate authorization to construct and operate these same facilities and for blanket authorization under Part 284, Subpart G and Part 157, Subpart F in Docket Nos. CP99-628-000, CP99-629-000, and CP99-630-000, respectively. These applications were rejected because of deficiencies in the environmental exhibits included in Docket No. CP99-628-000.