

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RP00-132-000]

Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation; Notice of Tariff Filing

December 10, 1999.

Take notice that on December 7, 1999, Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation (Texas Eastern) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Sixth Revised Volume No. 1 and Original Volume No. 2, the revised tariff sheets listed on Appendix A to the filing, to become effective January 1, 2000.

Texas Eastern states that the purpose of this filing is to revise the Gas Research Institute (GRI) surcharges to be effective January 1, 2000 in compliance with the January 21, 1998, Stipulation and Agreement Concerning GRI Funding approved by the Commission in Gas Research Institute, 83 FERC ¶ 61,093 (1998), order on reh'g, 83 FERC ¶ 61,331 (1998).

Specifically, Texas Eastern states that the filing complies with the surcharge set forth in Appendix A to the Stipulation and Agreement as follows: (1) a GRI volumetric surcharge of 0.72 cents per dekatherm will be charged on all non-discounted firm commodity and interruptible transportation services; (2) a 1.6 cents per dekatherm surcharge will be charged on all non-discounted firm commodity units delivered to customers qualifying for service under Texas Eastern's Rate Schedule SCT; (3) a reservation surcharge of 20.0 cents per dekatherm per month will be charged on non-discounted firm high load factor customers, i.e., greater than 50% load factor; and (4) a reservation surcharge of 12.3 cents per dekatherm per month will be charged on non-discounted firm low load factor customers, i.e., less than or equal to 50% load factor.

Texas Eastern states that copies of the filing were mailed to all affected customers of Texas Eastern and interested state commissions.

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).

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP00-44-000]

Texas Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Application

December 10, 1999.

Take notice that on December 6, 1999, Texas Gas Transmission Corporation, (Texas Gas), 3800 Frederica Street, Owensboro, Kentucky 42301, filed in Docket No. CP00-44-000 an application pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, for the construction and operation of two new gas compressors located at its Midland 3 Compressor Station in Muhlenberg County, Kentucky, 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.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222).

Texas Gas proposes to construct and operate two new electric motor driven compressors to be housed inside a new compressor building. It is indicated that each compressor package shall consist of a Dresser-Rand 1250 horsepower compressor frame with four compressors driven by a constant speed, 900 rpm electric motor. Texas Gas states that although the total horsepower of the station will be technically increased, it will not operate the station in a manner which would cause the existing certificated levels of total storage capacity or maximum daily deliverability to be exceeded. It is then stated that Texas Gas will use the new units in conjunction with the existing gas compressors in order to ensure the maintenance of the current certificated capabilities of the field, which have been jeopardized by the age and condition of the existing engines. In addition, Texas Gas states that the combination of the electric driven compressors and the existing units provides additional operational flexibility which could not be realized

if Texas Gas chose to simply replace the existing compressors.

Texas Gas estimates a construction cost of \$6,321,015, which will be financed from funds on hands. Also, Texas Gas submits that, due to the nature of this project and the benefits it provides to existing customers and benefits to overall reliability, flexibility and efficiency, the Commission's Statement of Policy (88 FERC ¶ 61,227 (1999)) is not applicable, and that rolled-in rate treatment is appropriate for the costs associated with the project.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before December 30, 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 by it in determining the appropriate action to take but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. 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 certificate and permission for abandonment are 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 Texas Gas to appear or be represented at the hearing.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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