

agency's programmatic needs. Note that external peer reviewers are selected with regard to both their scientific expertise and the absence of conflict-of-interest issues. Non-federal reviewers will often be used, and submission of an application constitutes agreement that this is acceptable to the investigator(s) and the submitting institution.

Information about the development and submission of applications, eligibility, limitations, evaluation, selection process, and other policies and procedures may be found in 10 CFR part 605, and in the Application Guide for the Office of Science Financial Assistance Program. Electronic access to the Guide and required forms is made available via the World Wide Web at <http://www.sc.doe.gov/production/grants/grants.html>. DOE is under no obligation to pay for any costs associated with the preparation or submission of applications if an award is not made.

The research project description must be 20 pages or less, exclusive of attachments and must contain a 1 or 2-page abstract or summary of the proposed research and a 1 or 2-page statement of relevance to the DOE and national interest. On the SC grant face page, form DOE F 4650.2, in block 15, also provide the PI's phone number, fax number, and E-mail address. Attachments must include curriculum vitae, a listing of all current and pending federal support, and letters of intent when collaborations are part of the proposed research. Applications should include detailed and justified budgets for each year of support requested. Lengthy application appendices are discouraged. Curriculum vitae should be submitted in a form similar to that of NIH or NSF (two to three pages), see for example: <http://www.nsf.gov:80/bfa/cpo/gpg/fkit.htm#forms-9>.

Although the required original and seven copies of the application must be submitted, researchers are asked to submit an electronic version of their abstract of the proposed research in ASCII format and their E-mail address to the Program Director for Atmospheric Sciences, Peter Lunn, by E-mail to peter.lunn@science.doe.gov.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number for this program is 81.049, and the solicitation control number is ERFAP 10 CFR part 605.

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John Rodney Clark,
Associate Director of Science for Resource Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-210-000]

Cove Point LNG Limited Partnership; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

March 8, 2000.

Take notice that on March 1, 2000, Cove Point LNG Limited Partnership (Cove Point) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised volume No. 1 the following tariff sheet to become effective April 1, 2000.

Seventh Revised Sheet No. 7

Cove Point states that the listed tariff sheet sets forth the restatement and adjustment to its retainage percentages, pursuant to the Section 1.37 of the General Terms and Conditions of its FERC Gas Tariff, first Revised Volume No. 1.

Cove Point states that copies of the filing were served upon Cove Point's affected customers 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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP00-104-000]

Distrigas of Massachusetts Corporation; Notice of Application

March 8, 2000.

Take notice that on February 28, 2000, Distrigas of Massachusetts Corporation (DOMAC), 75 State Street, 12th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02109, filed in Docket No. CP00-104-000, an application pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing DOMAC to install, operate, and maintain facilities at its Everett, Massachusetts LNG Plant in order to recover natural gas vapor that is currently being vented to the atmosphere during LNG cargo transfer operations, 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 Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

DOMAC states that its existing vapor handling system adequately recovers the natural gas vapor that results from LNG storage. However, during cargo transfer, additional vapor is produced, causing approximately one percent of each LNG cargo to be vented to the atmosphere in order to maintain design pressure in the LNG tanks. DOMAC now seeks to recover this additional vapor by installing the proposed vapor recovery facilities, consisting of a turbo expander-driven compressor, a heat exchanger, a water pump, a meter, and associated interconnecting piping. DOMAC estimates that the proposed equipment will enable the yearly recovery of over 830,000 Mscf of vapor, which will be marketed. According to DOMAC, construction of the new facilities will conserve energy and reduce methane emissions. The estimated cost of the facilities is \$7 million and will be financed from funds on hand.

DOMAC states that it is not proposing any cost-based recovery of the cost associated with this facility, therefore, its existing customers will not subsidize the project. Further, DOMAC asserts that its proposal will not have any adverse impacts on its existing customers, competing pipelines and their existing customers, third party landowners, or the surrounding community. Based on this, DOMAC states that its proposal is consistent with

the Commission's certificate policy statement.¹

Any questions concerning this application should be directed to Robert A. Nailling, Senior Counsel, Distrigas of Massachusetts Corporation, 75 State Street, 12th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02109 at (617) 526-8300.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before March 29, 2000, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 or 385.214) 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 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.

A person obtaining intervenor status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents issued by the Commission, filed by the applicant, or filed by all other intervenors. An intervenor can file for rehearing of any Commission order and can petition for court review of any such order.

However, an intervenor must serve copies of comments or any other filing it makes with the Commission to every other intervenor in the proceeding, as well as filing an original and 14 copies with the Commission.

A person does not have to intervene, however, in order to have comments considered. A person, instead, may submit two copies of such comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of environmental documents, and will be able to participate in meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, commenters will not receive copies of all documents

filed by other parties of issued by the Commission, and will not have the right to seek rehearing or appeal the Commission's final order to a Federal court.

The Commission will consider all comments and concerns equally, whether filed by commenters or those requesting intervenor status.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the NGA 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 hererin, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate 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 DOMAC 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. RP00-211-000]

East Tennessee Natural Gas Company; Notice of Cashout Report

March 8, 2000.

Take notice that on March 3, 2000, East Tennessee Natural Gas Company (East Tennessee) tendered for filing its sixth annual cashout report for the November 1998 through October 1999 period.

East Tennessee states that the cashout report reflects a net cashout gain during this period \$276,406. As a result, East Tennessee's cumulative loss from its cashout mechanism is reduced to \$540,288. East Tennessee will roll forward this loss into its next annual cashout report.

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 on or before March 15, 2000. 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 202-208-222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Docket No. GT00-20-000]

El Paso Natural Gas Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

March 8, 2000.

Take notice that on March 3, 2000, El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso) tendered for filing an interruptible Transportation Service Agreement (TSA) between El Paso and MGI Supply, Ltd. (MGI) and Seventeenth Revised Sheet No. 1 to its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1-A.

El Paso states that it is submitting the TSA for Commission approval since the TSA contains provisions which differ from El Paso's Volume No. 1-A Tariff. The tariff sheet, which references the TSA, is proposed to become effective on April 3, 2000.

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

¹ Certification of New Interstate Natural Gas Pipeline Facilities, 88 FERC ¶61,227 (1999), order clarifying, 90 FERC ¶61,128 (2000).