

284.123(b)(2) of the Commission's regulations, a petition for rate approval requesting that the Commission approve as fair and equitable a maximum system wide rate of \$0.3948 per MMBtu for interruptible transportation services performed under Section 311(a)(2) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGP).

OTTCO states that it is an intrastate natural gas pipeline within the meaning of Section 2(16) of the NGPA, which operates wholly within the State of Wyoming.

Pursuant to Section 284.123(b)(2)(ii), if the Commission does not act within 150 days of the filing date, the proposed rate for transportation services will be deemed to be 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 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 April 3, 2000. This 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. CP00-117-000 and CP00-117-001]

#### Southern Natural Gas Company; South Georgia Natural Gas Company; Notice of Joint Application

March 17, 2000.

Take notice that on March 10, 2000, Southern Natural Gas Company (Southern), Post Office Box 2563, Birmingham, Alabama 35202-2563 and South Georgia Natural Gas Company (South Georgia) Post Office Box 2563, Birmingham, Alabama 35202-2563, filed in Docket No. CP00-117-000 a

joint application pursuant to Sections 7(c) and 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and part 157 of the Commission's regulations, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for Southern to acquire facilities and authorization for South Georgia to abandon facilities all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.<sup>1</sup> The filing may be viewed at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Any questions regarding the application should be directed to Patrick Pope, General Counsel, Southern Natural Gas Company, Post Office Box 35202-2563, Birmingham, Alabama 35202-2563 or call (205) 325-7126.

Southern requests a certificate of public convenience and necessity pursuant to Section 7(c) of the NGA authorizing it to acquire the facilities of South Georgia, and South Georgia requests approval under Section 7(b) of the NGA to abandon all of its jurisdictional transmission facilities, operations, and certain services not subject to pre-granted abandonment. Southern and South Georgia state that the acquisition will be accomplished by a merger between Southern and South Georgia which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Southern. Further, they state that Southern will acquire South Georgia's assets at the original cost with the same accumulated depreciation and accumulated deferred income taxes as are currently reflected in South Georgia's books.

Southern avers that it will contact with the existing South Georgia customers to provide the same quality and type of service as South Georgia provides today, but under the terms and conditions of Southern's FERC Gas Tariff, as revised pursuant to this application and the Offer of Settlement. To implement the service, Southern and South Georgia seek: (1) Authorization for South Georgia to terminate Volumes I and II of its FERC Gas Tariff; (2) Authorization for Southern to revise its CSS-1, CSS-2, and STS Rate Schedules to incorporate the South Georgia ST-1 and ST-2 Rate Schedules into its First Revised Volume No. 2A of its FERC Gas

Tariff; (3) Cancellation of South Georgia's Order No. 234 Blanket Certificate; and (4) Authorization for Southern to implement the changes to its tariff necessary to implement the terms of the certificate requested herein.

Southern and South Georgia state that the acquisition is part of an overall Offer of Settlement filed concurrently in Docket No. RP99-496-004 to resolve all outstanding issues in Southern's pending Section 4 rate proceeding and they request that the certificate application be processed concurrently with the Offer of Settlement. Southern and South Georgia request that the authorization requested herein take effect on August 1, 2000 and be conditioned upon the approval of the Offer of Settlement. If the settlement is not approved on terms acceptable to the parties thereto, Southern and South Georgia state that they will withdraw the certificate application.

Any person desiring to participate in the hearing process or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before March 28, 2000, 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 NGA (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 parties directly involved. 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 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 herein, 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.

<sup>1</sup> This application is also incorporated in the Offer of Settlement filed by Southern pursuant to Rule 602 of the Commission's regulations (§ 385.602) in Docket No. RP99-496-004. The portion of the Offer of Settlement relating to the transfer of South Georgia's facilities to Southern has been docketed as CP00-117-001. Pursuant to Rule 602(d)(2) Southern states that it has notified all parties in the rate proceeding as all other persons required by Rule 602(d)(1) that Comments and Reply Comments on the Offer of Settlement are due to be filed by March 28, 2000, and Reply Comments are due to be filed by April 7, 2000.

Under the procedure provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Southern or South Georgia 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. RP96-129-010]

#### Trunkline Gas Company; Notice of Compliance Filing

March 17, 2000.

Take notice that on March 13, 2000, Trunkline Gas Company (Trunkline) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheets to be effective May 1, 2000:

Second Revised Sheet No. 205  
Original Sheet No. 205A

Trunkline states that the purpose of this filing is to comply with the Commission's Order Accepting Contested Settlement and Dismissing Request for Rehearing issued on February 1, 2000 in Docket No. RP96-129-005 (Phase I Remand), RP96-129-006 and RP96-129-007, 90 FERC ¶ 61,099 (2000). In accordance with the September 16, 1999 Stipulation and Agreement in the subject proceeding, the revised tariff sheets modify the General Terms and Conditions, Section 13, Quality, to provide that Shipper or Shipper's designee may elect to receive its retrograde condensate removed at the Terrebonne liquids separation facility commencing on May 1, 2000.

Trunkline states that copies of this filing are being served on all affected customers, applicable state regulatory agencies and parties to this proceeding.

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).

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. GP00-1-000]

#### Williams Energy Marketing & Trading Co.; Notice of Petition for Declaratory Order

March 17, 2000.

Take notice that on March 14, 2000 William Energy Marketing & Trading Company (Williams) tendered for filing a petition for a declaratory order to remove uncertainty regarding the applicability of the Commission's "buy/sell" policy to offshore production area transactions. Specifically, Williams requests a declaratory order confirming that the buy/sell policy does not apply to Outer Continental Shelf production-area arrangements like those contemplated by Royalty-In-Kind pilot projects recently initiated by the U.S. Department of Interior's Minerals Management Service.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., 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 April 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 202-208-2222 for assistance).

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-381-004]

#### Wyoming Interstate Company, Ltd.; Notice of Compliance Filing

March 17, 2000.

Take notice that on March 14, 2000, Wyoming Interstate Company, Ltd. (WIC) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 2, the following tariff sheets, to become effective on January 1, 2000:

Sub Alternate Original Sheet No. 85A  
Sub Alternate Original Sheet No. 85B

WIC asserts that the purpose of this filing is to comply with a Commission Order issued on February 29, 2000 (90 FERC ¶61,200), in Docket No. RP99-381 *et al.* Specifically, the filing reflects revised tariff language in General Terms and Conditions Section 33.4 that clarifies that WIC may in general rate cases seek a discount-type adjustment for negotiated discounts.

WIC states that a full copy of its filing is being served on each jurisdictional customer, interested state commission, and each party that has requested service as well as upon each party appearing on the Commission's official service list for Docket No. RP99-381.

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 the 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).

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