

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: DOE proposes to convey to the abutting landowner, an approximate 182-acre parcel of land within the 500-year floodplain of the Clinch River, in Roane County, Tennessee. The conveyed property would be used as a "green space" buffer adjacent to a proposed 1,217-acre mixed-use development.

In accordance with DOE regulations for compliance with floodplain and wetlands environmental review requirements (10 CFR part 1022), DOE will prepare a floodplain and wetlands assessment for this proposed DOE action. The assessment will be included in the environmental assessment being prepared for the proposed project in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. A floodplain statement of findings will be published in the **Federal Register**.

The potentially affected floodplain property lies along the banks of the Clinch River and adjoins the property presently identified as the Boeing property in Roane County, Tennessee. The property is situated across the Clinch River from the DOE's East Tennessee Technology Park (formerly known as the K-25 Site). In 1987, Boeing acquired the 1,217-acre property from the City of Oak Ridge, who had previously acquired the property from DOE on the same date. A tentative purchaser of the property proposes to develop lots for single-family homes, areas for apartments and condominiums, a hotel and conference center, a golf course, and a shopping district. About 500 acres of the site would be reserved for industrial purposes.

To provide a buffer and "green space" around the development, the proposed purchaser is also seeking to acquire title to the floodplain property under the jurisdictional control of DOE. The DOE Oak Ridge Operations Office would convey the property to whomever the owner of the Boeing parcel is at the time the excess parcel is ready for conveyance providing environmental or administrative considerations do not preclude such conveyance. In February 2000, the Oak Ridge City Council voted to rezone the Boeing site for mixed-use development.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-54-000]

Colorado Interstate Gas Company; Notice of Informal Settlement Conference

April 28, 2000.

On March 13 and 28, 2000, the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) sponsored two informal settlement conferences for the purpose of initiating settlement discussions potentially leading to a resolution of all the Kansas ad valorem proceedings. During the March 28 conference, the participants agreed that settlement negotiations among all interested parties should be pursued separately for each pipeline involved with the Kansas ad valorem tax refund issues.

The participants interested in the Colorado Interstate Gas Company docket also reached a consensus that the informal settlement conference agreed upon should be noticed by the Secretary of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) and that the Commission's settlement regulations apply to the informal settlement process. The participants also agreed that, as with the previous two settlement conferences, the Director of the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service and the KCC attend the conference and facilitate the settlement negotiations.

The informal settlement conference will be held on May 23, 2000, at the offices of Shook, Hardy & Bacon, 1 Kansas City Place, 1200 Main Street, Kansas, Missouri. The conference will begin at 10:00 a.m. To insure that the facilities are adequately sized all parties that plan to attend the settlement conference are requested to contact John McNish at 785-271-3218 or by email at j.mcnish@kcc.state.ks.us, or Cynthia King at cking@shb.com by May 11, 2000.

All interested parties in the above dockets are requested to attend the informal settlement conference. If a party has any questions respecting the conference, please call Richard Miles, the Director of the Dispute Resolution Service. His telephone number is 1 877 FERC ADR (337-2237) or 202-208-0702 and his e-mail address is richard.miles@ferc.fed.us.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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[Docket Nos. RP00-254-000 and RP00-254-001]

Dauphin Island Gathering Partners; Notice of Tariff Filing and Stipulation and Agreement

April 27, 2000.

Take notice that on April 24, 2000, Dauphin Island Gathering Partners (Dauphin) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, in Docket No. RP00-254-000, with an effective date of May 1, 2000:

First Revised Sheet No. 6
First Revised Sheet No. 8
First Revised Sheet No. 178
First Revised Sheet No. 179

Dauphin and the Sponsoring Parties also tender for filing a Stipulation and Agreement (Settlement) in Docket No. RP00-254-001.

Dauphin states that First Revised Sheet No. 6 and First Revised Sheet No. 8 are being filed in compliance with the requirements of Section 3.01 of the Settlement, and reflect an effective decrease of approximately 14 percent in Dauphin's DI and MP First Transportation Service rates. Dauphin further states that First Revised Sheet No. 178 and First Revised Sheet No. 179 and being filed in compliance with the requirement of Section 1.02 of the Settlement and reflect the Settling Parties' agreement that Dauphin adopt a more customer-friendly cash out provision.

Dauphin states that the offer of settlement reflects a decrease of approximately 14 percent in Dauphin's Firm Transportation Service rates for Rate Schedules FT-1, FT-2, FT-3 and IT-1(MP) and FT-1, FT-2 and IT-1(DI) and also adopts a more customer-friendly cash out provision.

Dauphin states that copies of the filing are being served on all participants listed on the service list in this proceeding and on all persons who are required by the Commission's regulations to be served with the application initiating these proceedings.

Dauphin has requested that the comment period on the Settlement in Docket No. RP00-254-001 be shortened to provide for Initial Comments to be filed on May 4, 2000 and Reply Comments due on May 8, 2000. Dauphin also requests motions to intervene and protests to the tariff filing in Docket No. RP00-254-000 be due on May 4, 2000.