

landowners, newspapers, libraries, and the Commission's official service list for this proceeding. A comment period will be allotted for review if the EA is published. We will consider all comments on the EA before we make our recommendations to the Commission.

To ensure your comments are considered, please carefully follow the instructions in the public participation section beginning on page 4.

Currently Identified Environmental Issues

We have already identified several issues that we think deserve attention based on a preliminary review of the proposed facilities and the environmental information provided by Horizon. This preliminary list of issues may be changed based on your comments and our analysis.

- The project would be cross 10 perennial streams, 24 acres of wetlands, and 22 acres of forest.
- Federally listed endangered or threatened species, such as the prairie bush clover and the eastern prairie fringed orchid, may occur in the proposed project area.
- The project would cross public lands and other designated areas, such as the Pratts Wayne Woods County Forest Preserve, the Stickney Run Conservation Area, and the Bates Fen Nature Preserve, in DuPage and McHenry Counties.

Public Participation

You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the project. By becoming a commentor, your concerns will be addressed in the EA and considered by the Commission. You should focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal, alternatives to the proposal (including alternative routes, and measure to avoid or lessen environmental impact. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send two copies of your letter to: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of Gas 1.
- Reference Docket Nos. CP00-129-000 & CP00-132-000.
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before June 30, 2000.

Becoming an Intervenor

In addition to involvement in the EA scoping process, you may want to become an official party to the proceeding known as an "intervenor." Intervenor play a more formal role in the process. Among other things, intervenors have the right to receive copies of case-related Commission documents and filings by other intervenors. Likewise, each intervenor must provide 14 copies of its filings to the Secretary of the Commission and must send a copy of its filings to all other parties on the Commission's service list for this proceeding. If you want to become an intervenor you must file a motion to intervene according to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214) (see appendix 2). Only Intervenor have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision.

Affected landowners and parties with environmental concerns may be granted intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have clear and direct interest in this proceeding which would not be adequately represented by any other parties. You do not need intervenor status to have your environmental comments considered.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from Mr. Paul McKee of the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (202) 208-1088 or on the FERC website (www.ferc.fed.us) using the "RIMS" link to information in this docket number. Click on the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" from the RIMS Menu, and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to RIMS, the RIMS helpline can be reached at (202) 208-2222.

Similarly, the "CIPS" link on the FERC Internet website provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings. From the FERC Internet website, click on the "CIPS" link, select "Docket #" from the CIPS menu, and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to CIPS, the CIPS helpline can be reached at (202) 208-2474.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EG00-149-000]

Midwest Electric Power, Inc.; Notice of Amendment to Application for Commission Determination of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status

June 1, 2000.

Take notice that on May 26, 2000, Midwest Electric power, Inc. (MEP), 2100 Portland Road, P.O. Box 165, Joppa, IL 62953, filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission on amendment to its application for determination of exempt wholesale generator status pursuant to Part 365 of the Commission's regulations.

Any person desiring to be heard concerning the application for exempt wholesale generator status should file a motion to intervene or comments 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). The Commission will limit its consideration of comments to those that concern the adequacy of accuracy of the application. All such motions and comments should be filed on or before June 21, 2000, and must be served on the applicant. 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 or on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (please call (202) 208-2222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-176-020]

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America; Notice of Proposed Change in FERC Gas Tariff

June 1, 2000.

Take notice that on May 26, 2000, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural) tendered for filing First Revised Sheet No. 26J to be a part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Sixth Revised

Volume No. 1, to be effective April 25, 2000.

On April 25, 2000, Natural filed Original sheet No. 26J at Docket No. RP99-176-018 to implement a negotiated rate formula transaction under Rate Schedule ITS with the Peoples Gas Light and Coke Company. Original Sheet No. 26J was accepted by letter order dated May 19, 2000, to become effective April 25, 2000.

Subsequently to Natural's initial filing on April 25, 2000, it was discovered that the executed negotiated rate agreement inadvertently omitted all storage and pooling points in Natural's Iowa Illinois Gulf Receipt Zone from among the qualified delivery points. The negotiated rate agreement was amended to remedy this omission. Therefore, Natural is now submitting First Revised Sheet No. 26J reflecting the revised footnote six (6) to supersede Original Sheet No. 26J previously submitted on April 25, 2000.

Natural requests waiver of the Commission's Regulations, including the 30-day notice requirement of Section 154.207, to the extent necessary to permit First Revised Sheet No. 26J to become effective April 25, 2000, which coincides with the effective date of the amendment to the underlying negotiated rate agreement.

Natural states that copies of the filing are being mailed to Natural's customers, interested state commissions and all parties set out on the Commission's official service list in Docket No. RP99-176.

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 385.215 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. ER00-2176-000]

New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc.; Notice of Filing

June 1, 2000.

Take notice that on May 2, 2000, New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc. (NHEC), tendered for filing a request for withdrawal of its petition for acceptance of changes to NHEC's FERC Rate Schedule No. 2 filed with the Commission on April 11, 2000 in the above-referenced docket.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such filing should 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 such motions and protests should be filed on or before June 9, 2000. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine the appropriate 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. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-244-001]

Sumas International Pipeline Inc; Notice of Compliance Filing

June 1, 2000.

Take notice that on May 26, 2000, Sumas International Pipeline Inc. (SIPI), tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 2, the following tariff sheets to become effective May 1, 2000:

Substitute Second Revised Sheet Number 10
Substitute Second Revised Sheet Number 11
Substitute Original Sheet Number 11A
Substitute First Revised Sheet Number 13A
Substitute First Revised Sheet Number 13B

Substitute First Revised Sheet Number 13C
Substitute Original Sheet Number 13D

SIPI asserts that the purpose of this filing is to comply with Order No. 587 issued on July 17, 1996; the Notice Clarifying procedures for Filing Tariff Sheets issued on September 12, 1996, in Docket No. RM96-1-000; and the Commission's direction of 10 May, 2000 in Docket No. RP00-244-000 to correct errors in definitions on certain tariff sheets and to revise tariff language to incorporate Gas Industry Standards Board (GISB) Standards 1.3.38 and 1.3.46.

SIPI states that copies of this filing were mailed to all customers of SIPI and Interested Parties.

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).

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-408-012]

Trailblazer Pipeline Company; Notice of Filing of Refund Report

June 1, 2000.

Take notice that on May 26, 2000, Trailblazer Pipeline Company (Trailblazer) filed a refund report in Docket No. RP97-408-000. Trailblazer states that the filing and refunds were made to comply with the Commission's Orders of April 3, 1999 and March 30, 2000. Trailblazer states that these amounts were paid by Trailblazer on April 28, 2000.

The refund report summarizes transportation refund amounts for the period January 1, 1998 through March 31, 2000 pursuant to Article II of