

purchased from Texas Gas Transmission Corporation under its Rate Schedule FT the costs of which are included in the rates and charges payable under Transco's Rate Schedule FT-NT, and storage service purchased from Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation under its Rate Schedule X-28 the costs of which are included in the rates and charges payable under Transco's Rate Schedule S-2. The filing is being made pursuant to tracking provisions under Section 4 of Transco's Rate Schedule FT and Section 26 of the General Terms and Conditions of Transco's Third Revised Volume No. 1 Tariff.

Included in Appendices B and C attached to the filing are the explanations and details regarding the computation of the revised Rate Schedule FT-NT and S-2 rate changes respectively.

Transco states that copies of the filing are being mailed to each of its FT-NT and S-2 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, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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. RP00-443-000]

Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Tariff Filing

August 11, 2000.

Take notice that Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco)

tendered for filing on August 7, 2000, certain revised tariff sheets to its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1. The proposed effective date of such tariff sheets is March 27, 2000, with the exception of First Revised Sheet No. 122H, which has a proposed effective date of April 14, 2000.

Transco states that the purpose of this filing is to comply with the Commission's Regulation of Short-Term Natural Gas Transportation Services and Regulation of Interstate Natural Gas Transportation Services in Docket Nos. RM98-10-000 and RM98-12-000 (Order No. 637). Among other things, the Commission in Order No. 637 revised its regulations regarding releases of capacity for less than one year (short-term releases). The Commission waived the rate ceiling for short-term releases until September 30, 2002, and clarified its posting and bidding requirements for short-term releases.

The changes to the capacity release regulations became effective on March 26, 2000, however the Commission allowed pipelines to remove inconsistent tariff provisions within 180 days of the issuance of Order No. 637. In compliance, Transco is making the following revisions to its tariff sheets. First, Section 3 of Rate Schedules LNG-R, WSS-Open Access-R, FT-R, FTN-R and ESS-R is being changed to state that the maximum rate ceiling does not apply to short-term releases until September 30, 2002. Second, Section 3 of the aforementioned rate schedules are being modified to state that the rates for short-term releases in this time frame are not subject to refund. Third, Section 42 of the General Terms and Conditions is being changed to reflect the Commission's modifications to the posting and bidding requirements for short-term releases of capacity and to incorporate the waiver of the maximum rate ceiling as described above.

Transco states that copies of the instant filing are being mailed to customers, State Commissions, and other interested parties. In accordance with the provisions of Section 154.16 of the Commission's Regulations, copies of this filing are available for public inspection, during regular business hours, in a convenient form and place at Transco's main offices at 2800 Post Oak Boulevard in Houston, Texas.

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, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 and 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 also 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. CP00-48-000]

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Londonderry 20" Replacement Project

August 11, 2000.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) on the natural gas pipeline facilities proposed by Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee Gas) in the above-referenced docket.

The EA was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The staff concludes that approval of the proposed project, with appropriate mitigating measures, would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the proposed replacement including:

- 19.3 miles of 20-inch-diameter pipeline in Middlesex County, Massachusetts, and Hillsborough and Rockingham Counties, New Hampshire;
- A new 130,000 dekatherms per day (dthd) meter site adjacent to the existing Londonderry Meter Station in Rockingham County, New Hampshire; and

- Four new mainline valves.

The 20-inch-diameter pipeline and three of the mainline valves would replace 19.3 miles of the existing 8-inch-diameter Concord #1 Lateral (270B-100)

from Valve 270B-103 in Dracut, Massachusetts, to the Londonderry Meter Station in Londonderry, New Hampshire, and three associated 8-inch mainline valves.

Tennessee Gas proposes to locate the new pipeline in the same right-of-way occupied by the replaced pipeline and a 12-inch-diameter pipeline that would remain in place.

The purpose of the proposed facilities would be to transport 130,000 dthd of natural gas to the AES-Londonderry Project planned by AES Enterprises (AES). The AES-Londonderry Project is a 720-megawatt, natural gas-fired combined cycle power plant.

The EA has been placed in the public files of the FERC. A limited number of copies of the EA are available for distribution and public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 208-1371.

Copies of the EA have been mailed to Federal, state and local agencies, public interest groups, interested individuals, newspapers, and parties to this proceeding.

Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. To ensure consideration prior to a Commission decision on the proposal, it is important that we receive your comments before the date specified below. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send two copies of your comments to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., N.E., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426;
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of the Gas Group 2, PJ-11.2.
- Reference Docket No. CP00-48-000; and
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before September 11, 2000.

Comments will be considered by the Commission but will not serve to make the commentor a party to the proceeding. Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214). Only intervenors 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 a 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 comments considered.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from Paul McKee in the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (202) 208-1088 or on the FERC Internet 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. For 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

Notice of Intent To File an Application for a New License

August 11, 2000.

a. Type of Filing: Notice of Intent To File an Application for a New License.

b. Project No.: 2686.

c. Date Filed: July 28, 2000.

d. Submitted By: Nantahala Power and Light—current licensee.

e. Name of Project: West Fork Hydroelectric Project.

f. Location: On the West Fork of the Tuckasegee River in Jackson County, North Carolina. The project does not utilize federal lands.

g. Filed Pursuant to: Section 15 of the Federal Power Act.

h. Licensee Contact: John C. Wishon, Nantahala Power and Light, 301 NP&L Loop, Franklin, NC 28734, (828) 369-4604.

i. FERC Contact: Steve Kartalia, steve.kartalia@ferc.fed.us, (202) 219-2942.

j. Effective date of current license: May 1, 1965.

k. Expiration date of current license: January 31, 2006.

l. Description of the Project: The project consists of the following two developments:

The Thorpe Development consists of the following existing facilities: (1) A 900-foot-long, 150-foot-high earth and rockfill dam; (2) a 410-foot-long, 122-foot-high saddle dam; (3) a spillway having two 25-foot by 12-foot Taintor gates; (4) a 1,462-acre reservoir at a normal water surface elevation of 3,491.75 feet USC & GS datum; (5) a series of three tunnels and three penstocks; (6) a powerhouse containing a single generating unit with an installed capacity of 21,600 kW, and (7) other appurtenances.

The Tuckasegee Development consists of the following existing facilities: (1) A 254-foot-long, 61-foot-high concrete arch dam topped with 3-foot-high flashboards; (2) a 7.9-acre reservoir at a normal water surface elevation of 2,278.75 feet USC & GS datum; (3) a tunnel leading to a 15-foot-diameter surge tank; (4) a powerhouse containing a single generating unit with an installed capacity of 3,000 kW; (5) a 1.8-mile-long, 6.6 kV transmission line; and (6) other appurtenances.

m. Each application for a new license and any competing license applications must be filed with the Commission at least 24 months prior to the expiration of the existing license. All applications for license for this project must be filed by January 31, 2004.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

August 11, 2000.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. Type of Application: Original Minor License.

b. Project No.: 11855-000.

c. Date Filed: July 24, 2000.

d. Applicant: JLH Hydro, Incorporated.

e. Name of Project: Idols Hydroelectric Project.

f. Location: On the Yadkin River near the town of Clemmons in Davie and Forsyth counties, North Carolina. The project would not utilize federal lands.

g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791(a)-825(r).

h. Applicant Contact: James L. Horton, President, JLH Hydro, Inc. at 1800 Statesville Blvd., Salisbury, NC 28144. Telephone 704-638-0506.