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Greg Woods,

Chief Operating Officer, Student Financial Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Department of Energy Draft Depleted Uranium Hexafluoride Materials Use Roadmap**

AGENCY: Office of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) has issued a draft Roadmap that it intends to use to guide any future research and development (R&D) activities for the materials associated with its depleted uranium hexafluoride (DUF₆) inventory and certain other depleted uranium. On August 2, 1999, DOE issued a Record of Decision (ROD) for Long-Term Management and Use of Depleted Uranium Hexafluoride. This ROD indicated that DOE has decided to promptly convert the DUF₆ inventory to a more chemically stable form. DOE is committed to conducting a program to effect this conversion as rapidly as is practical. In addition, DOE plans a parallel effort to conduct appropriate R&D to assure the most effective disposition of the converted depleted uranium product. This activity will include appropriate investments in the exploration of potential beneficial use of

the DU and other materials resulting from the conversion of the DUF₆, *i.e.*, fluorine and empty carbon steel storage cylinders, to achieve cost savings to the Government, contrasted to simply disposing of the materials. However, the Government will also carry out research activities necessary to assure the direct disposal of these materials if cost-effective and realistic beneficial uses are not found.

The Roadmap characterizes and analyzes paths for the eventual disposition of these materials, identifies the barriers that exist for those paths, and proposes research, development, and other activities in order to eliminate such barriers. The Roadmap also addresses other surplus depleted uranium, primarily in the form of DU trioxide and DU tetrafluoride.

DOE invites all interested parties to review the draft Roadmap and to submit comments. The draft Depleted Uranium Hexafluoride Materials Use Roadmap is available for downloading via the Internet at www.nuclear.gov.

DATES: Comments on the draft Roadmap will be accepted during a public comment period that ends on October 20, 2000. DOE will consider comments received after this date to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Written comments, requests for further information, or requests for copies of the document may be submitted over the Internet by sending them to DUF6.comments@hq.doe.gov. Please annotate the message subject as dealing with the DUF₆ Materials Use Roadmap. Anyone without Internet access can request a hard copy of the Roadmap and/or submit comments by sending a fax with name and address to (301) 903-4905 or sending a card or letter to the Depleted Uranium Hexafluoride Management Program (NE-30), U.S. Department of Energy, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert R. Price, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874. Telephone 301/903-9527, Facsimile 301/903-4905.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

On July 6, 1999, DOE issued the Final Plan for the Conversion of Depleted Uranium Hexafluoride as required by Public Law 105-204. In that final plan, DOE committed to develop a Depleted Uranium Hexafluoride Materials Use Roadmap in order to establish a corporate plan for the application of

DUF₆ and DUF₆-derived materials that will focus on potential Governmental uses of DUF₆ but will also incorporate limited analysis of established uses of DUF₆-derived materials in the private sector. This commitment supports the preferred alternative presented in the Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Alternative Strategies for the Long-Term Management and Use of Depleted Uranium Hexafluoride, DOE/EIS-0269, namely, to begin conversion of the DUF₆ inventory as soon as possible, either to uranium oxide, uranium metal, or a combination of both, while allowing for future uses of as much of this inventory as possible.

Issued in Washington, DC, August 31, 2000.

William D. Magwood IV,

Director, Office of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RP00-507-000]

ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

August 31, 2000.

Take notice that on August 25, 2000, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheet, to be effective September 25, 2000.

First Revised Sheet No. 101A

ANR states that this filing is made in compliance with the Commission's Order dated July 26, 2000 in the captioned proceeding.

ANR states that copies of the filing have been mailed to all affected customers and state regulatory 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).

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-374-000]

Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Technical Conference

August 31, 2000.

In the Commission's order issued on August 23, 2000,¹ the Commission directed that a technical conference be held to address issues raised by the filing.

Take notice that the technical conference will be held on Thursday, September 14, 2000, at 10:00 am, in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

All interested parties and Staff are permitted to attend.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER00-395-003]

ISO New England Inc.; Notice of Filing

August 31, 2000.

Take notice that on August 3, 2000, ISO New England Inc. filed its quarterly Index of Customers for its Tariff for Transmission Dispatch and Power Administration Services in accordance with the procedure specified in its filing letter in Docket No. ER00-395-000 dated November 1, 1999, and approved by Commission order issued December 30, 1999.

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 September 11, 2000. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine 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. 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. RP-505-000]

Kern River Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

August 31, 2000.

Take notice that on August 25, 2000, Kern River Gas Transmission Company (Kern River) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the tariff sheets listed in Appendix A of the filing.

Kern River states that the purpose of this filing is: (1) To conform Kern River's tariff to the Commission's revised regulations pursuant to Order Nos. 637, 637-A and 637-B as those Orders apply to (i) the temporary removal of the rate ceiling for short-term capacity release transactions and (ii) modifications to the regulatory right of first refusal; and; (2) to add language setting forth Kern River's policy pertaining to partial capacity turnbacks resulting from a shipper's election to exercise a right of first refusal for a portion of its capacity, to permanently release a portion of its capacity, or to extend the contract term for a portion of its capacity.

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).

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-492-000]

Mid Louisiana Gas Company; Notice of Tariff Filing

August 31, 2000

Take notice that on August 16, 2000, Mid Louisiana Gas Company filed revised tariff sheets to eliminate tariff provisions that are inconsistent with the Commission's decision in Order Nos. 637 and 637-A to remove the rate ceiling for short term capacity release transactions. As mandated by such orders, the revised tariff sheets are to be effective as of March 26, 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 web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/>

¹ 92 FERC 61,173 (2000).