

49966, August 16, 2000. *Order Date:* June 29, 2000.

Comments: None received. *Decision:* Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as the instrument is intended to be used, was being manufactured in the United States at the time the instrument was ordered. *Reasons:* The foreign instrument is a conventional transmission electron microscope (CTEM) and is intended for research or scientific educational uses requiring a CTEM. We know of no CTEM, or any other instrument suited to these purposes, which was being manufactured in the United States at the time of order of the instrument.

Gerald A. Zerdy,

Program Manager, Statutory Import Programs Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

In compliance with Section 3502(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Associate Director for Civil Aviation, Directorate of Operations and Training, Deputy Chief of Staff for Air and Space Operations, announces the proposed reinstatement of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (b) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (c) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by November 13, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to HQ USAF/XOO-CA, 1480 Air Force Pentagon, Washington, DC 20330-1480.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and

associated collection instruments, please write to the address above or call (703) 697-1796.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Civil Aircraft Certificate of Insurance, DD Form 2400, OMB Number 0701-0050; Civil Aircraft Landing Permit, DD Form 2401, OMB Number 0701-0050; and DD Form 2402, Civil Aircraft Hold Harmless Agreement, OMB Number 0701-0050.

Needs and Uses: The collection of information is necessary to ensure that the security and operational integrity of military airfields are maintained; to identify the aircraft operator and the aircraft to be operated; to avoid competition with the private sector by establishing the purpose for use of military airfields; and to ensure the U.S. Government is not held liable if the civil aircraft becomes involved in an accident or incident while using military airfields, facilities, and services.

Affected Public: Civil aircraft owners/operators.

Annual Burden Hours: 1,800.

Number of Respondents: 3,600.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden for Respondents: 30 Minutes.

Frequency: 1.

Annual Responses: 3,600.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: None.

Janet A. Long,

Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive Patent License

Pursuant to the provisions of Part 404 of Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, which implements Public Law 96-517, the Department of the Air Force announces its intention to grant Intellisense Corporation, a company doing business in Wilmington, MA, exclusive licenses in any right, title and interest the Air Force has in U.S. Patent Numbers 6,028,689 entitled "Multi-Motion Mirror," and 6,040,935 entitled "Flexureless Multi-Stable Micromirrors for Optical Switching." The inventors of '689, M. Adrian Michalick, Victor M. Bright and John H. Comtois; and the inventor of '935, M. Adrian Michalick were government employees at the time of the respective inventions.

The licenses described above will be granted unless objection thereto, together with a request for an opportunity to be heard, if desired, are

received in writing by the addressee set forth below within 60 days from the date of publication of this Notice. Information concerning the application may be obtained, on request, from the same addressee.

All communications concerning this Notice should be sent to Mr. Randy Heald, Associate General Counsel (Acquisition), SAF/GCQ, 1500 Wilson Blvd., Suite 304, Arlington, VA 22209-2310. Mr. Heald can be reached at 703-588-5091 or by fax at 703-588-8037.

Janet A. Long,

Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-168-005]

Alliance Pipeline L.P.; Notice of Amendment

September 8, 2000.

Take notice that on August 28, 2000, Alliance Pipeline L.P. (Alliance), 605-5th Avenue SW., Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2P 3H5, filed, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Regulations, in Docket No. CP97-168-005 for an amendment of the certificate of public convenience and necessity issued to Alliance on September 17, 1998, in Docket No. CP97-168-000, *et al.*,¹ to delete the authority to: (1) Construct and operate an interconnection with Natural Gas Pipeline Company (NGPL); and (2) install a spare, backup compressor unit at the Tampico compressor station, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to 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).

Any questions regarding the application should be directed to Mr. William A. Williams, Attorney for Alliance, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P., 801 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20004-2615, or call (202) 662-4673.

Alliance states that the NGPL interconnect and the spare compressor unit at the Tampico compressor station that were authorized in the September 17, 1998 order are no longer needed. The NGPL interconnect is no longer

¹ *Alliance pipeline L.P.*, 84 FERC ¶ 61,239 (1998).

required because NGPL was granted authority, on June 7, 1999, in Docket No. CP99-546,² to construct and operate alternative interconnect facilities which, among other things, provide the capability for Alliance to deliver to NGPL up to 1.6 Bcfd, the same level authorized by the Alliance certificate order.

Additionally, Aux Sable Liquid Products L.P. (Aux Sable) has decided to construct a twin-train processing plant, as opposed to its originally contemplated one-train facility. Alliance explains that the redundancy built into the two-train design results in excess compression capability within the Aux Sable plant when both trains are operational. Alliance states that it may meet any need for spare or backup compression capability by utilizing the redundant compression capability within the Aux Sable plant.

Alliance states that, in its calculation of the initial rates filed in its August 4, 2000, application in Docket No. CP97-168-004, *et al.*, Alliance has reflected both the savings associated with the deletion of the spare unit at Tampico and the actual costs attributable to the alternative interconnect approved in the NGPL proceeding. Alliance argues that, while there may be costs associated with Alliance's use of the compression capability within the Aux Sable plant, it is far more cost effective and efficient for Alliance to rely upon that excess Aux Sable plant compression than to incur the \$14 million capital cost of the spare unit at Tampico.

Alliance concludes that because this application involves the deletion of facilities previously certificated there will be no negative impact on the environment and no landowner will be affected. Additionally, Alliance avers that deletion of the subject facilities will have no effect upon Alliance's presently certificated services as the NGPL interconnect is replaced by an alternate interconnect with the same capability to deliver 1.6 Bcfd to NGPL, and, since no authorization had been granted to operate the spare compressor unit at Tampico, its elimination likewise has no effect on Alliance's ability to provide service to its customers.

Any person desiring to participate in the hearing process or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before September 29, 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 formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Alliance 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. RP00-537-000]

Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

September 8, 2000.

Take notice that on September 1, 2000, Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company (Eastern Shore) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the revised tariff sheets listed on Appendix A to the filing, proposed to be effective on March 27, 2000 and October 1, 2000, respectively.

Eastern Shore states that the purpose of this filing is to: (1) Remove the maximum price cap for capacity release transactions of less than one year; and (2) make certain modifications to its Right of First Refusal provisions, in order to comply with the requirements of FERC Order Nos. 637, 637-A and 637-B, respectively.

Eastern Shore states that a copy has been mailed to its 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, 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).

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP00-453-000]

Michigan Gas Storage Company; Notice of Application

September 8, 2000.

Take notice that on September 1, 2000, Michigan Gas Storage Company (MGSCO), 212 West Michigan Avenue, Jackson, Michigan 49201, filed a request with the Commission in Docket No. CP00-453-000 pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for authorization to construct and operate four wells and associated facilities in its Cranberry Lake Storage Field, Clare County, Michigan, all as more fully set forth in the application which is open to the public for inspection. This application may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/>

² *Natural Gas Pipeline Company*, 90 FERC ¶ 62,013 (2000).