

will be collected on deliveries (firm, non-firm); interruptions (volumes and days interrupted, both firm and non-firm); and customers interrupted.

- Form EIA-911B (Supp.), "Biweekly Petroleum Product Suppliers Sales Report" For the October through December 2000 period, EIA will collect information on a biweekly basis from petroleum product suppliers in the Northeast regarding customers serviced; volumes (gallons) sold by product to customers with fuel-switching capabilities; total retail and wholesale volumes sold by product, and beginning and ending secondary-system inventories by product.

- Form EIA-911C (Supplement), "Biweekly Natural Gas And Petroleum Customer Survey."

For the October through December 2000 period, EIA will collect information on a biweekly basis from Northeast energy customers with fuel-switching capabilities regarding total natural gas and natural gas deliveries; involuntary interruptions of natural gas deliveries (firm/non-firm); substitutions of petroleum products as fuel in place of natural gas; and inventories of distillate fuel oil and other fuels.

II. Current Actions

EIA will be requesting a one-time OMB approval for the three surveys through August 31, 2001, to collect data for seven two-week periods (September 24, 2000 through December 31, 2000).

III. Request for Comments

Prospective respondents and other interested parties should comment on the actions discussed in item II. The following guidelines are provided to assist in the preparation of comments.

General Issues

A. Are the proposed collections of information necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency and does the information have practical utility? Practical utility is defined as the actual usefulness of information to or for an agency, taking into account its accuracy, adequacy, reliability, timeliness, and the agency's ability to process the information it collects.

B. What enhancements can be made to the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?

As a Potential Respondent to the Request for Information

A. Are the instructions and definitions clear and sufficient? If not, which instructions need clarification?

B. Can the information be submitted by the due date?

C. Reporting burden is estimated to average:

EIA-911A (Supp.) = 2 hours per two-week reporting period,

EIA-911B (Supp.) = 1 hour per two-week reporting period, and

EIA-911C (Supp.) = 2 hours per two-week reporting period.

The estimated burden includes the total time necessary to provide the requested information. In your opinion, how accurate are the burden estimates?

D. EIA estimates that the only cost to a respondent is for the time it will take to prepare for and complete the surveys. Will a respondent incur any other start-up costs for reporting, or any recurring annual costs for operation, maintenance, and purchase of services associated with the information collection?

E. What additional actions could be taken to minimize the burden of these collections of information? Such actions may involve the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

F. Does any other Federal, State, or local agency collect similar information that would be useful for developing the accurate and independent natural gas data that would be available from the proposed survey? If so, specify the agency, the data element(s), the methods of collection, and the name and phone number of someone that EIA may contact for additional information.

As a Potential User of the Information to be Collected

A. Is the information useful at the levels of detail to be collected?

B. For what purpose(s) would the information be used? Be specific.

C. Are there alternate sources for the information and are they useful? If so, please specify the sources and their weaknesses and/or strengths?

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of the form. The comments also will become a matter of public record.

Statutory Authority: Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP01-74-000]

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America; Notice of Application

January 31, 2001.

Take notice that on January 25, 2001, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural), 747 East 22nd Street, Lombard, Illinois 60148, filed in Docket No. CP01-74-000 an application pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act for permission and approval to abandon its partial ownership of certain pipeline facilities located in the High Island area offshore Texas (HI), all as more fully set forth in the application 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/hm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

The facilities proposed for abandonment include Natural's 10.0 percent interest in 2.31 miles of a 24-inch diameter lateral originating at the HI Block A-370 platform and terminating at a subsea tap located in HI Block A-350, including related tap and meter facilities and appurtenances. Natural also proposes to abandon its 4.912 percent interest in 6.01 miles of a 24-inch diameter lateral originating at a subsea tap in HI Block A-350 and terminating at the manifold platform located in HI Block A-330.

Natural proposes to abandon the facilities by sale to Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco). Natural explains that it has not used the facilities to move its own supplies since 1987 and that its only current shippers are interruptible transportation customers. Natural further explains that Transco would provide service to the customers at mutually acceptable rates, terms and conditions of service, so that no customers would be disadvantaged by the abandonment. It is stated that Natural would transfer its ownership in the facilities to Transco at no cost, since they have been fully depreciated. It is explained that Transco would acquire the facilities under its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-426-000.

Any questions regarding the application should be directed to Phillip R. Telleen, Esq., Attorney, at (630) 691-3749, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, 747 East 22nd Street, Lombard, Illinois 60148-5072.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before February 21, 2001, file with the Federal

Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., 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 Natural Gas Act (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. 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. Comments and protests may be filed electronically in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's website at <http://ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

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 Natural Gas Act 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 a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Natural 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. CP01-75-000]

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America; Notice of Application

January 31, 2001.

Take notice that on January 25, 2001, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural), 747 East 22nd Street, Lombard, Illinois 60148, filed an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of

the Natural Gas Act for permission and approval to abandon its partial ownership of certain pipeline facilities located in the East Cameron area offshore Louisiana (EC), all as more fully set forth in the application 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/htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

The facilities proposed for abandonment include Natural's 33.33 percent interest in 5.47 miles of a 10-inch diameter lateral originating at EC Block 347 and terminating at a 12-inch subsea tap located in Block EC-338, including related tap and meter facilities and appurtenances.

Natural proposes to abandon the facilities by sale to Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee). Natural explains that it has not used the facilities to move its own supplies since 1993 and that its only current shippers are interruptible transportation customers. Natural further explains that Tennessee would provide service to any shipper on a nondiscriminatory basis, so that no customers would be disadvantaged by the abandonment. It is stated that Natural would transfer its ownership in the facilities to Tennessee at no cost, since they have been fully depreciated. It is explained that Tennessee would acquire the facilities under its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-413-000.

Any questions regarding the application should be directed to Phillip R. Telleen, Esq., Attorney, at (630) 691-3749, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, 747 East 22nd Street, Lombard, Illinois 60148-5072.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before February 21, 2001, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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 Natural Gas Act (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. 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. Comments and protests may be filed electronically in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's

website at <http://ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

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Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Natural 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. EL01-30-000]

South Carolina Public Service Authority v. Duke Energy Corporation; Notice of Complaint

January 31, 2001.

Take notice that on January 30, 2001, South Carolina Public Service Authority (Santee Cooper) filed a complaint and request for fast track procedures against Duke Energy Corporation, pursuant to Rule 206(h) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR Section 385.206(h), the Commission for the following relief:

(1) Duke Energy Transmission (Duke ET), a division of Duke Energy Corporation should be directed to find that Available Transfer Capability (ATC) exists for the transmission of power under a sales agreement Santee Cooper has entered into in support of wholesale sales by Santee Cooper that replace sales traditionally made by Duke Power, another division of Duke Power Corporation.

(2) Duke Power should be directed to make power available under the power sales agreement between Duke Power and Santee Cooper for transmission to Santee Cooper's wholesale customer,