

Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene 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). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

The Commission may issue a preliminary determination on non-environmental issues prior to the completion of its review of the environmental aspects of the project. This preliminary determination typically considers such issues as the need for the project and its economic effect on existing customers of the

applicant, on other pipelines in the area, and on landowners and communities. For example, the Commission considers the extent to which the applicant may need to exercise eminent domain to obtain rights-of-way for the proposed project and balances that against the non-environmental benefits to be provided by the project. Therefore, if a person has comments on community and landowner impacts from this proposal, it is important either to file comments or to intervene as early in the process as possible.

Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link.

If the Commission decides to set the application for a formal hearing before an Administrative Law Judge, the Commission will issue another notice describing that process. At the end of the Commission's review process, a final Commission order approving or denying a certificate will be issued.

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP02-46-000]

#### Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

November 15, 2001.

Take notice that on November 13, 2001, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1, Fifth Revised Sheet No. 180, with a proposed effective date of December 1, 2001.

Tennessee states that the tariff sheet is being filed in compliance with 18 CFR 156.217 of the Commission's regulations to reflect the conversion of a portion of Capital District Energy Center Cogeneration Associates' Part 157 service on Tennessee's system to Part 284 service.

Tennessee states that copies of the filing has been mailed to each of Tennessee's customers and affected 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. This filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site under the "e-Filing" link.

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. DR02-1-000]

#### The Empire District Electric Company; Notice of Filing

November 15, 2001.

Take notice that on November 8, 2001, The Empire District Electric Company (EDE) tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission), an application pursuant to rule 204 of the Commission's rules of practice and procedure, 18 CFR 385.204, seeking approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of a change in depreciation rates for production, transmission, distribution and general plant utilized by EDE.

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 November 29, 2001. 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 web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER01-2156-001, et al.]

#### New England Power Company, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

November 14, 2001.

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

##### 1. New England Power Company

[Docket No. ER01-2156-001]

Take notice that on November 8, 2001, New England Power Company (NEP), as successor in interest to Montaup Electric Company (Montaup) submits for filing notices of cancellation of Montaup's FERC Electric Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1 (Montaup Tariff No. 1) and all service agreements and supplements thereunder. NEP is canceling Montaup Tariff No. 1 because service is no longer provided under the tariff. In addition, NEP submits for filing a revised tariff, redesignated as NEP tariff, to reflect the service that is currently being offered. The service agreements under Montaup Tariff No. 1 are being cancelled and redesignated to reflect that service is not provided under the revised NEP tariff.

NEP states that copies of the filing have been served upon all affected customers and state regulators in Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

*Comment date:* November 29, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

##### 2. Virginia Electric and Power Company

[Docket No. ER01-3032-001]

Take notice that on November 8, 2001, Virginia Electric and Power Company, doing business as Dominion Virginia Power, tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) an executed Generator Interconnection and Operating Agreement (Interconnection Agreement) with Tenaska Virginia Partners, L.P. (Tenaska). The Interconnection Agreement sets for the terms and conditions governing the interconnection between Tenaska's yet to be built generating facility and Dominion Virginia Power's transmission system. The executed Interconnection Agreement replaces the unexecuted Interconnection Agreement that was filed in the above referenced docket on September 10, 2001.

Dominion Virginia Power respectfully requests that the Commission accept this filing to make the executed Interconnection Agreements effective as of January 8, 2001.

Copies of the filing were served upon Tenaska Virginia Partners, L.P. and the Virginia State Corporation Commission.

*Comment date:* November 29, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

##### Standard Paragraph

E. 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 or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. 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 proceeding. 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 web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the

instructions on the Commission's web site under the "e-Filing" link.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP01-4-000, CP01-5-000, and CP01-8-000]

#### Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C., Algonquin Gas Transmission Company and Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation; Notice of Availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Phase III/Hubline Pipeline Project

November 15, 2001.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) on the natural gas pipeline facilities proposed by Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C. (Maritimes), and Algonquin Gas Transmission Company (Algonquin) (collectively the Applicants) in the above-referenced docket.

The FEIS was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The staff concludes that approval of the proposed project with the appropriate mitigating measures as recommended would have limited adverse environmental impact. The FEIS also evaluates alternatives to the proposal, including major route alternatives and route variations.

The FEIS addresses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the following facilities:

- About 24.8 miles of new, primarily onshore, natural gas pipeline (23.8 miles of 30-inch-diameter pipeline and 1.0 mile of 24-inch-diameter pipeline) referred to as the Maritimes Phase III Pipeline;
- About 29.1 miles of new, primarily offshore, natural gas pipeline (24-inch-diameter pipeline) referred to as the HubLine Pipeline;
- About 5.4 miles of new, primarily offshore, natural gas pipeline (16-inch-diameter pipeline) referred to as the Deer Island Lateral; and
- Three new meter stations, four mainline valves, and related facilities.

The purpose of the proposed facilities would be to transport about 150,500 decatherms per day of natural gas to five