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Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL05-53-000]

Southern Company Services, Inc.; Notice of Institution of Proceeding and Refund Effective Date

April 1, 2005.

On March 25, 2005, the Commission issued an order initiating a proceeding in Docket No. EL05-53-000 under section 206 and 307 of the Federal Power Act to provide Southern Company Services with an opportunity to explain to the Commission in a paper hearing: (1) Whether it is currently assessing operations and maintenance (O&M) charges to its customers, (2) whether its O&M rates for these interconnection agreements are properly on file with the Commission, (3) whether the rates (if they are on file) are just and reasonable, and (4) what is the appropriate remedy if Southern is collecting O&M charges contrary to the FPA. *Southern Company Services, Inc.* 110 FERC ¶61,362 (2005).

The refund effective date in Docket No. EL05-53-000, established pursuant to section 206 of the Federal Power Act, will be 60 days following publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL05-64-000]

Westar Energy, Inc.; Notice of Institution of Proceeding and Refund Effective Date

April 1, 2005.

On March 23, 2005, the Commission issued an order initiating a proceeding in Docket No. EL05-64-000 under section 206 of the Federal Power Act concerning the justness and reasonableness of Westar Energy, Inc.'s (Westar) market-based rates in Westar's, Midwest Energy and Aquila Networks-West Plains Kansas control area markets. *Westar Energy, Inc.* 110 FERC ¶ 61,316 (2005).

The refund effective date in Docket No. EL05-64-000, established pursuant to section 206 of the Federal Power Act, will be 60 days following publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP05-50-000]

Colorado Interstate Natural Gas Company; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Raton Basin 2005 Expansion Project

April 1, 2005.

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 Colorado Interstate Natural 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 following proposed pipeline loops and above-ground facilities:

- Line 151B 20" Expansion—1.9 miles of 20-inch-diameter pipeline in Las Animas County, Colorado;

- Line 200B 16" Expansion West—4.8 miles of 16-inch-diameter pipeline in Las Animas County, Colorado;

- Line 200B 16" Expansion Middle—30.3 miles of 16-inch-diameter pipeline in Las Animas County, Colorado;

- Line 200B 16" Expansion East—34.3 miles of 16-inch-diameter pipeline in Baca County, Colorado;

- Line 10C 24" Expansion—23.6 miles of 24-inch-diameter pipeline in Baca County, Colorado and Morton County, Kansas;

- Line 12B 24" Expansion—7.2 miles of 24-inch-diameter pipeline in Texas County, Oklahoma; and

- 1,775 horsepower of additional compression at the Beaver Compressor Station on Line 12A in Beaver County, Oklahoma.

The purpose of the proposed facilities would be to provide additional pipeline takeaway capacity to natural gas producers in the Raton Basin.

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 Room, 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-8371.

Copies of the EA have been mailed to federal agencies and interested public interest groups, individuals, 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 an original and two copies of your comments to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426;

- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of the Gas Branch 2, PJ11.2.

- Reference Docket No. CP05-050-000; and

- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before May 2, 2005.

Please note that we are continuing to experience delays in mail deliveries from the U.S. Postal Service. As a result, we will include all comments that we receive within a reasonable time frame in our environmental analysis of this project. However, the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing of any comments or interventions or protests to this proceeding. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions