

- Report from the New Era Subcommittee.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. If you would like to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Karen Talamini at 301-903-6594 (fax) or karen.talamini@science.doe.gov (e-mail). You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days prior to the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Public comment will follow the 10-minute rule.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room; 1E-190, Forrestal Building; 1000 Independence Avenue, SW.; Washington, DC 20585; between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 29, 2008.

Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an open meeting of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee under the Biomass Research and Development Act of 2000. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that agencies publish these notices in the **Federal Register** to allow for public participation.

DATES: December 2, 2008 at 12:45 p.m. to 5 p.m., December 3, 2008 at 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: DoubleTree Hotel—Directors Room, 1515 Rhode Island Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20005-5595.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Valri Lightner, Designated Federal Official for the Committee, Office of

Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585; (202) 586-0937 or Carolyn Clark at (202) 586-8077; E-mail: cclark@bcs-hq.com.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and guidance that promote research and development leading to the production of biobased fuels and biobased products.

Tentative Agenda: Agenda will include the following:

- Update on USDA Biofuels Activities.
- Update on DOE Biofuels Activities.
- Meeting with the Biomass R&D Board to discuss FY2008 Recommendations.
- Subcommittee/Interagency Working Group Report-Outs.
- Presentation on Office of Basic Energy Science Biofuels Activities and Budget.
- Presentation on National Science Foundation Biofuels Activities and Budget.

Public Participation: In keeping with procedures, members of the public are welcome to observe the business of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee. To attend the meeting and/or to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Valri Lightner at 202-586-0937; E-mail: valri.lightner@ee.doe.gov or Carolyn Clark at (202) 586-8077; E-mail: cclark@bcs-hq.com. You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days before the meeting. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chair of the Committee will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. The Chair will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying at <http://www.brdisolutions.com/publications/default.aspx#meetings>.

Issued at Washington, DC on October 29, 2008.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP07-417-004]

Texas Gas Transmission, LLC; Notice of Amendment to Certificate

October 28, 2008.

Take notice that on October 23, 2008, Texas Gas Transmission, LLC (Texas Gas), 3800 Frederica Street, Owensboro, Kentucky 42301, filed an application requesting an amendment to the certificate of public convenience and necessity issued on May 2, 2008, in Docket No. CP07-417-000 pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act and Subpart A of Part 157 of the Commission's regulations. Specifically, Texas Gas requests authorization to: (i) Modify its horizontal directional drill and installation of the pipeline at the Little Red River in White County, Arkansas and permit it to construct, own, and operate an 18-inch diameter pipeline instead of a 36-inch diameter pipeline as originally approved, and (ii) provide service utilizing the reduced diameter facilities for an interim period, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open for public inspection. This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Any questions regarding this Application should be directed to Kathy D. Fort, Manager of Certificates and Tariffs, Texas Gas Transmission, LLC, 3800 Frederica Street, Owensboro, Kentucky 42301 or by telephone at 270-688-6825 or fax at 270-688-5871.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: Complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding, or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the

EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the below listed comment date, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory 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.

Motions to intervene, protests and comments 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. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

Comment Date: November 6, 2008.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP09-11-000]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Application

October 28, 2008.

Take notice that on October 17, 2008, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, filed in Docket No. CP09-11-000, an application pursuant to section 7 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations thereunder, requesting approval to abandon, by removal and in-place, certain pipeline facilities, and the issuance of a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct, replace and operate certain compression, pipeline and TBS facilities located in various counties in Minnesota, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 420-5589.

Specifically, Northern asserts that the installation of the proposed facilities

will allow Northern to serve approximately 135,042 Dth/day of incremental peak day entitlement by winter 2010, increasing to 136,042 Dth/day in 2011. Northern also states that the proposal herein is a result of an analysis conducted following an Open Season soliciting interest for firm transportation service for deliveries to Zone EF of Northern's Market Area system for service on or after November 1, 2009. The estimated capital cost for the facilities proposed herein is \$120,496,894.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Michael T. Loeffler, Senior Director, Certificates and External Affairs for Northern, 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, at (402) 398-7103 or Donna Martens, Senior Regulatory Analyst, at (402) 398-7138.

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