

strikes, and the Alaska Eskimos may use no more than 75 strikes.

Through its cooperative agreement with the AEWG, NOAA has assigned 75 strikes to the Alaska Eskimos. The AEWG will in turn allocate these strikes among the 11 villages whose cultural and subsistence needs have been documented, and will ensure that its hunters use no more than 75 strikes.

#### Other Limitations

The IWC regulations, as well as the NOAA regulation at 50 CFR 230.4(c), forbid the taking of calves or any whale accompanied by a calf.

NOAA regulations (at 50 CFR 230.4) contain a number of other prohibitions relating to aboriginal subsistence whaling, some of which are summarized here:

- Only licensed whaling captains or crew under the control of those captains may engage in whaling.
- Captains and crew must follow the provisions of the relevant cooperative agreement between NOAA and a Native American whaling organization.
- The aboriginal hunters must have adequate crew, supplies, and equipment to engage in an efficient operation.
- Crew may not receive money for participating in the hunt.
- No person may sell or offer for sale whale products from whales taken in the hunt, except for authentic articles of Native American handicrafts.
- Captains may not continue to whale after the relevant quota is taken, after the season has been closed, or if their licenses have been suspended. They may not engage in whaling in a wasteful manner.

Dated: January 13, 2017.

#### John Henderschedt,

Director, Office for International Affairs and Seafood Inspection, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

#### Filings Instituting Proceedings

*Docket Number:* PR17-15-000.  
*Applicants:* Columbia Gas of Maryland, Inc.

*Description:* Tariff filing per 284.123(b), (e)/: CMD SOC to be effective 1/1/2017; Filing Type: 980.

*Filed Date:* 1/5/2017.  
*Accession Number:* 201701055071.  
*Comments/Protests Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/26/17.

*Docket Number:* PR17-16-000.  
*Applicants:* Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.

*Description:* Tariff filing per 284.123(b), (e)/: COH SOC to be effective 12/30/2016; Filing Type: 980.

*Filed Date:* 1/6/2017.  
*Accession Number:* 201701065044.  
*Comments/Protests Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/27/17.

*Docket Number:* RP17-325-000.  
*Applicants:* Northern Natural Gas Company.

*Description:* § 4(d) Rate Filing: 20161219 FDD Cycle Quantity Increase to be effective 6/1/2017.

*Filed Date:* 1/5/17.  
*Accession Number:* 20170105-5083.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/17/17.

*Docket Number:* RP17-326-000.  
*Applicants:* Elba Express Company, L.L.C.

*Description:* § 4(d) Rate Filing: Shell Phase I Negotiated Rate to be effective 2/10/2017.

*Filed Date:* 1/5/17.  
*Accession Number:* 20170105-5136.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/17/17.

*Docket Number:* RP17-327-000.  
*Applicants:* Rockies Express Pipeline LLC.

*Description:* § 4(d) Rate Filing: Neg Rate 2017-01-05 BP to be effective 1/6/2017.

*Filed Date:* 1/5/17.  
*Accession Number:* 20170105-5170.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/17/17.

*Docket Number:* RP17-328-000.  
*Applicants:* Dominion Carolina Gas Transmission, LLC.

*Description:* § 4(d) Rate Filing: DCGT—Web site Notification to be effective 2/6/2017.

*Filed Date:* 1/6/17.  
*Accession Number:* 20170106-5098.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/18/17.

*Docket Number:* RP17-329-000.  
*Applicants:* Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC.

*Description:* § 4(d) Rate Filing: Negotiated Rate Agreement—Castleton 510984 to be effective 1/8/2017.

*Filed Date:* 1/6/17.  
*Accession Number:* 20170106-5133.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/18/17.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but

intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

#### Filings in Existing Proceedings

*Docket Number:* RP16-1179-002.  
*Applicants:* Equitrans, L.P.  
*Description:* Compliance filing Negotiated Rate Service Agreement—Revised EQT Energy OVC Agreement to be effective 10/1/2016.

*Filed Date:* 12/21/16.  
*Accession Number:* 20161221-5081.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/13/17.  
*Docket Number:* RP17-197-002.  
*Applicants:* Dominion Cove Point LNG, LP.

*Description:* Compliance filing DCP—2016 Section 4 General Rate Case Compliance to be effective 1/1/2017.

*Filed Date:* 1/5/17.  
*Accession Number:* 20170105-5086.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/17/17.

Any person desiring to protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rule 211 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date.

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Dated: January 9, 2017.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

Secretary.

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*Docket Numbers:* RP17-50-000.  
*Applicants:* Columbia Gulf Transmission, LLC.

*Description:* Report Filing: Columbia Gulf Section 5 Settlement Refund Report.

*Filed Date:* 1/10/17.  
*Accession Number:* 20170110-5055.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/23/17.

*Docket Numbers:* RP17-332-000.