

sampling. Waste packages containing surplus plutonium CH-TRU waste that have been characterized and confirmed to meet the WIPP waste acceptance criteria will be placed in the queue of waste to be shipped to WIPP. The packages will be shipped to WIPP in approved shipping containers.

Basis for Decision

Implementing this decision will allow DOE/NNSA to continue dispositioning surplus weapons-usable plutonium in furtherance of the policies of the United States to ensure that such surplus plutonium is no longer in a form suitable for use in a nuclear weapon, and to accelerate removal of defense plutonium from the State of South Carolina.

In making this decision, DOE/NNSA considered potential environmental impacts of construction and operations, current and future mission needs, availability of capabilities and resources, technical and security considerations, and the need to comply with legislation regarding removal of defense plutonium from South Carolina. Using the WIPP Disposal Alternative to disposition up to 7.1 MT of non-pit plutonium allows DOE/NNSA to take advantage of existing facilities, infrastructure, and expertise at LANL, SRS, and WIPP. The decision builds on the existing capabilities, infrastructure, and skilled workforce trained in safe operation of nuclear facilities. Downblending for disposal at WIPP is a proven process that is ongoing for the 6 MT of surplus non-pit plutonium DOE/NNSA decided to process through SRS and dispose of using this method (81 FR 19588).

In addition, final disposition of this 7.1 MT of surplus plutonium will avoid long-term impacts, risks, and costs associated with continued secure storage.

Signing Authority

This document of the Department of Energy was signed on August 21, 2020, by Lisa E. Gordon-Hagerty, Under Secretary for Nuclear Security and Administrator, NNSA, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE **Federal Register** Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters

the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC, on August 25, 2020.

Treana V. Garrett,

Federal Register Liaison Officer, U.S. Department of Energy.

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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:

Docket Numbers: RP20-1108-000.

Applicants: Southern Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: Fuel Retention Rates—Winter 2020 to be effective 10/1/2020.

Filed Date: 8/20/20.

Accession Number: 20200820-5016.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 9/1/20.

Docket Numbers: RP20-1109-000.

Applicants: Colorado Interstate Gas Company, L.L.C.

Description: Compliance filing Penalties Assessed Compliance Filing to be effective N/A.

Filed Date: 8/20/20.

Accession Number: 20200820-5023.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 9/1/20.

Docket Numbers: RP20-1110-000.

Applicants: Kern River Gas Transmission Company.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: 2020 Mesquite Meter and UT/NV Pool to be effective 9/22/2020.

Filed Date: 8/20/20.

Accession Number: 20200820-5043.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 9/1/20.

Docket Numbers: RP20-1111-000.

Applicants: Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing: GT&C Section 49—Bid Evaluation to be effective 9/20/2020.

Filed Date: 8/20/20.

Accession Number: 20200820-5046.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 9/1/20.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system (<https://elibrary.ferc.gov/idmws/search/fercensearch.asp>) by querying the docket number.

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 date(s). Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf>. For other information, call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Dated: August 21, 2020.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER20-2694-000]

Icon Energy LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of Icon Energy LLC's application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest should file 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). Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests with regard to the applicant's request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability, is September 10, 2020.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://www.ferc.gov>. To facilitate electronic service, persons with internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.