

[Docket No. CP96-660-000, et al.]

**Northern Natural Gas Company, et al.;  
Natural Gas Certificate Filings**

August 16, 1996.

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

1. Northern Natural Gas Company

[Docket No. CP96-660-000]

Take notice that on July 24, 1996, as supplemented on August 13, 1996, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124-1000, filed in Docket No. CP96-660-000, a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.212, and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.212, and 157.216) for authorization to abandon by transfer to UtiliCorp United, Inc. (UCU) certain facilities and to install and operate two (2) new delivery points to allow Northern to make natural gas deliveries to UCU at new locations due to the proposed transfer of facilities, under Northern's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-401-000, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, Northern states it wants to abandon by transfer to UCU the "East Rochester Segment" of its Rochester branchline in Olmsted County, Minnesota. Approximately 3.5 miles of 10-inch pipeline, 3 town border stations (TBS) and farm taps would be transferred to UCU. Further, Northern states that it also wants to abandon by transfer to UCU the "Owatonna Segment" of its Rochester branchline in Steele County, Minnesota. Approximately 3.8 miles of 10-inch and .7 miles of 12-inch pipeline and farm taps would be transferred to UCU.

Additionally, Northern proposes to install and operate two new delivery points to serve as the new custody transfer points between Northern's facilities and the facilities transferred to UCU. Northern reports that the existing Byron #1A TBS yard will be enlarged and become the new Rochester #1D TBS, which will serve as the new custody transfer point for the East Rochester segment. Northern is proposing to install and operate a new delivery point, Steele Co. #1, which will serve as the new custody transfer point for the Owatonna Segment.

Northern asserts that no service will be abandoned as a result of the transfer of facilities as UCU will continue to operate the subject line segments as part of its distribution system. Northern

indicates that the total estimated cost to install the proposed delivery points is \$407,000, which will be financed with internally generated funds. Northern states that the proposed activity is not prohibited by its existing tariff and that it has sufficient capacity to accommodate the changes proposed without detriment or disadvantage to Northern's other customers.

*Comment date:* September 30, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph G at the end of this notice.

2. Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation

[Docket No. CP96-703-000]

Take notice that on August 9, 1996, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (CGT), 1700 MacCorkle Avenue, S.E., Charleston, West Virginia 25314-1599 filed in Docket No. CP96-703-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.212, and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.212, and 157.216) for approval and permission to abandon four points of delivery to various customers in West Virginia, Virginia, and Maryland and reassign certain deliveries, under the blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83-76-000, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

CGT states that it proposes to abandon a point of delivery to Mountaineer Gas Company (MGC), Washington Gas Light Company, Commonwealth Gas Services, Inc., and Baltimore Gas and Electric (BG&E). CGT indicates that it also proposes to reassign deliveries from MGC's point of delivery proposed for abandonment (Harper Heights) to an existing MGC point of delivery (Wickham-Beckley) and BG&E's point of delivery proposed for abandonment (Holbrook) to an existing BG&E point of delivery (Linden Church). It is asserted that the maximum daily delivery obligation (MDDO) at MGC's Harper Heights point of delivery will increase from 7,061 Dth/day to 7,063 Dth/day and that the MDDO at BG&E's Linden Church point of delivery will increase from 73,028 Dth/day to 83,028 Dth/day. It is further asserted that the proposed abandonments will not result in any loss of service to any existing customer.

*Comment date:* September 30, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph G at the end of this notice.

3. Southern Natural Gas Company

[Docket No. CP96-705-000]

Take notice that on August 12, 1996, Southern Natural Gas Company

(Southern), P.O. Box 2563, Birmingham, AL 35202-2563, filed an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations for an order granting permission and approval to abandon, in part, certain firm transportation and storage services it provides to the City of Tallahassee (Tallahassee), Florida, under its Rate Schedules FT, FT-NN and CSS of its FERC Gas Tariff, Seventh Revised Volume No. 1. The application is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

In its application, Southern requests authorization to abandon 2,811 Mcf per day of firm transportation (FT) service, 1,720 Mcf per day of firm no-notice transportation (FT-NN) service, and 69,325 Mcf of firm storage service (CSS) to Tallahassee, effective at the end of the contract day of September 30, 1996. Southern provides these firm services to Tallahassee under its Rate Schedules FT, FT-NN, and CSS under service agreements dated November 1, 1993.

By letter dated May 3, 1996, Tallahassee gave Southern notice to terminate the above levels of firm service at the end of the primary term of September 30, 1996, and to retain 1,080 Mcf per day of FT-NN service and 69,325 Mcf of CSS service, thereunder. Southern states that since these firm services originated from the exercise of conversion rights from firm sales service during a period of time protected from pregranted abandonment by Section 284.221(d)(3) of the Commission's regulations, Southern is required to file this application for abandonment authority in order to terminate these services as requested by Tallahassee under the contract terms.

*Comment date:* September 3, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph F at the end of this notice.

4. South Georgia Natural Gas Company

[Docket No. CP96-707-000]

Take notice that on August 12, 1996, South Georgia Natural Gas Company (South Georgia), P.O. Box 2563, Birmingham, AL 35202-2563, filed an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations for an order granting permission and approval to abandon, in part, firm transportation services it provides to the City of Tallahassee (Tallahassee), Florida, under its Rate Schedules FT of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1. The application is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

In its application, South Georgia requests authorization to abandon 5,060

Mcf per day of firm transportation (FT) service to Tallahassee, effective at the end of the contract day of September 30, 1996. South Georgia provides this firm service to Tallahassee under its Rate Schedules FT under a service agreement dated May 5, 1992.

By letter dated May 3, 1996, Tallahassee gave South Georgia notice to terminate the above level of firm service at the end of the primary term of September 30, 1996, and to retain 1,000 Mcf per day of FT service, thereunder. South Georgia states that since these firm services originated from the exercise of conversion rights from firm sales service during a period of time protected from pregranted abandonment by Section 284.221(d)(3) of the Commission's regulations, South Georgia is required to file this application for abandonment authority in order to terminate this service as requested by Tallahassee under the contract terms.

*Comment date:* September 6, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph F at the end of this notice.

#### Standard Paragraphs

F. Any person desiring to be heard or make any protest with reference to said filing should on or before the comment date file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this filing if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is

required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for the applicant to appear or be represented at the hearing.

G. Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after the issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to § 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

*Acting Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5558-6]

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; National Pretreatment Program

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Revision of the Information Collection Request for the National Pretreatment Program (OMB Control No. 2040-0009, EPA ICR No. 0002.08). The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before September 23, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CALL:** Sandy Farmer at EPA, (202) 260-2740, and refer to EPA ICR No. 0002.08.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* National Pretreatment Program Information Collection Request (OMB

Control No. 2040-0009, EPA ICR No. 0002.08) expiring 10/31/96. This is a request for review of a revision of a currently approved collection.

**Abstract:** Pursuant to Sections 307(b) and 402(a) & (b) of the Clean Water Act and 40 CFR Part 403, EPA, States, and Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTWs) implement the National Pretreatment Program. The Pretreatment Program is a joint regulatory effort by federal, State, and local authorities to control nondomestic (i.e., industrial and commercial) sources of pollutants discharged to POTWs. The Clean Water Act requires EPA to develop national pretreatment standards to control discharges from Industrial Users (IUs) into sewage systems, or POTWs. These standards limit the level of certain pollutants in IU wastewaters. EPA administers the pretreatment program through the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program. Under the NPDES permit program, EPA may approve State or individual POTW implementation of the pretreatment standards at their respective levels.

EPA uses the data collected under the pretreatment program to monitor and enforce compliance with the regulations, as well as to authorize program administration at the State or local (POTW) level. The data collected from IUs includes the mass, frequency, and content of their discharges, their schedules for installing pretreatment equipment, and actual or anticipated discharges of wastes that violate pretreatment standards, have the potential to cause problems at the POTW, or are considered hazardous under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). IUs and POTWs submit written reports. States and POTWs applying for approval of pretreatment programs submit data concerning their legal, procedural, and administrative bases for establishing such programs. This information may include surveys of IUs, local limits for pollutant concentration, and schedules for completion of major project requirements.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR Part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15. The Federal Register Notice required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on April 24, 1996 (61 FR 18137); no comments