O.D. pipeline loop. El Paso states that these modifications will reduce the overall capital cost of the Project from \$56.6 million to \$15.4 million. El Paso says that the proposed take away capacity of the Samalayuca Delivery Lateral Line will be reduced from 300,000 Mcf per day to 208,000 Mcf (212,000 MMBtu) per day.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before March 28, 1997, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) 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. All persons who have heretofore filed need not file again.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary

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[Docket No. CP93-253-002]

El Paso Natural Gas Company; Notice of Amendment

March 7, 1997.

Take notice that on March 3, 1997, El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso), Post Office Box 1492, El Paso, Texas 79978, filed in Docket No. CP93–253–002, an application to amend the Presidential Permit and Section 3 authorization issued by the Commission in Docket No. CP93–253–000, to modify the border crossing facilities at the International Boundary between United States and Mexico, all as more fully set forth in the amendment which is on file with the Commission and open for public inspection.

Specifically, El Paso requests that the Commission amend the Section 3 authorization and Presidential Permit granted to El Paso on November 29, 1993 in Docket No. CP93–253–000, to increase the 1,000 feet of 24-inch O.D. border crossing pipeline to be constructed across the Rio Grande River by an additional 500 feet. El Paso states that the additional 500 feet of 24-inch O.D. pipeline is needed because El Paso

proposes to directionally drill the Rio Grande River border crossing. El Paso states that directionally drilling the Rio Grande River at the International Boundary is economically prudent, environmentally preferable and the best engineering alternative.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said amendment should on or before March 28, 1997, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 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). 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 the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 3 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 application 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 El Paso to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP97-279-000]

Gasdel Pipeline System, Inc.; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

March 7, 1997.

Take notice that on March 5, 1997, Gasdel Pipeline System, Inc. (Gasdel) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1–A, certain tariff sheets to be effective April 4, 1997. Gasdel states that the purpose of the filing is to comply with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Order No. 582, issued on September 28, 1995 in Docket No. RM95–3–000, and with the Commission's order issued on February 3, 1997 in Docket Nos. RP97–91–000, et al., 78 FERC ¶ 61,099 (1997).

Gasdel requests waiver of the Commission's regulations to the extent necessary to permit the tariff sheets submitted to become effective April 4, 1997.

Gasdel states that copies of the filing are being mailed to its jurisdictional customers and interested state regulatory agencies.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal **Energy Regulatory Commission, 888** First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP96-320-008]

Koch Gateway Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

March 7, 1997.

Take notice that on March 5, 1997, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company (Koch) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheet, to be effective March 1, 1997:

Third Revised Sheet No. 29

Koch states that this tariff sheet removes from the tariff two expired negotiated rate transactions.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's

regulations. All such protest must be filed in accordance with Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP97-274-000]

NorAm Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

March 7, 1997.

Take notice that on March 3, 1997, NorAm Gas Transmission Company (NorAm), 525 Milam Street, Shreveport, Louisiana 71151, filed in Docket No. CP97-274-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 157.205, 157.212) under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for authorization to construct and operate a delivery tap to Quincy Soybean Corporation (Quincy) located in Phillips County, Arkansas under the authorization of Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), for Part 284 transportation services by NorAm, under NorAm's blanket certificate issued in Docket Nos. CP82-384-000 and CP82-384-001, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

NorAm proposes to install a two-inch L-shaped meter station, a four-inch tap, relief valve, electronic flow measurement and 425 feet of 85/8 nominal piping that will extend from NorAm's Line TM-2 through the Quincy yard to the cogeneration plant in Phillips County, Arkansas. NorAm indicates that the cost of these facilities is \$36,274. NorAm asserts that Quincy has contracted for an additional 1,000 MMBtu per day with estimated deliveries of 365,000 MMBtu on an annual basis.

NorAm states that it will transport gas to Quincy and provide service under Rate Schedule FT of NorAm's FERC Gas Tariff. NorAm further states that its tariff does not prohibit the addition of delivery points and that NorAm has sufficient capacity to accomplish the deliveries without detriment or disadvantage to its other customers.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after 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 Section 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 therefor, 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP97-277-000]

Richfield Gas Storage System; Notice of Petition for Waiver or Exemption of Certain Order Nos. 587 and 587–B Requirements and Request for Expedited Consideration

March 7, 1997.

Take notice that on March 3, 1997, Richfield Gas Storage System (Richfield), filed a petition pursuant to Rule 207 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure for Waiver or exemption of the requirements concerning compliance with the Internet server model and the capability to perform Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) transactions in Order Nos. 587 and 587–B, all as more fully set forth in the petition of file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Richfield states that compliance with the Internet server model and the ability to perform EDI transactions is not necessary on the Richfield system in order to achieve the Commission's goals. Richfield states that the incremental expense of compliance with the Internet server model and the ability to perform EDI transactions is significant to Richfield, and the benefits to Richfield's customers are nonexistent given the nature of the Richfield system. Richfield requests that the commission waive compliance with the Internet server model and the ability to perform EDI transactions while consideration of its petition is pending. Richfield requests expedited consideration.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this petition should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests should be filed on or before March 14, 1997. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP97-273-000]

Trunkline Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

March 7, 1997.

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, Trunkline Gas Company (Trunkline), P.O. Box 1642, Houston, Texas 77251-1642, filed in the above docket, a request pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), as amended, and Sections 157.205 and 157.212(a) of the Commission's Regulations, to operate an existing delivery point and appurtenant facilities in McCracken County, Kentucky, as jurisdictional facilities. Such facilities were originally constructed pursuant to Section 311 of the Natural Gas Policy Act (NGPA) in order to effect transportation to Western Kentucky Gas Company (Western Kentucky), all as more fully set forth in the request which is filed with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, Trunkline proposes to convert the authorization of the subject facilities from NGPA Section 311 to NGA Section 7 in order to use the delivery point for transportation services rendered under Trunkline's blanket certificate. The maximum capacity of the facilities at the delivery point to Western Kentucky is 20 MMcf per day of natural gas.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 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 therefor, the proposed activity is deemed to be authorized effective on the day after the time