remaining funds must be provided by the eligible applicants and/or cooperating project participants. Cost sharing, by industry/State partners, beyond the 55 percent required match is desirable. In addition to direct financial contributions, cost sharing can include beneficial services or items, such as manpower, equipment, consultants and computer time that are allowable in accordance with applicable cost principles. The inclusion of industrial partners is required for a proposal to be considered responsive to the solicitation to be eligible for grant consideration. A State agency application signed by an authorized State official is required for a proposal to be responsive.

Availability of Funds in FY 1998: With this publication, DOE is announcing the availability of up to \$6 million dollars in grant/cooperative agreement funds for fiscal year 1998. The awards will be made through a competitive process. In response to the solicitation, a State agency may include up to 10 percent, not to exceed \$25,000 per project, for State agency program support. The Federal share of grants including State agency program support may range up to \$425,000. Projects may cover a period of up to 3 years. DOE reserves the right to fund, in whole or in part, any, all, or none of the proposals submitted in response to this notice.

Availability of the Solicitation: DOE expects to issue the solicitation on August 1, 1997. To obtain a copy of the solicitation, eligible parties may write to the U.S. Department of Energy Golden Field Office, Attention: Amy Johnson, 1617 Cole Boulevard, Golden, Colorado 80401, or obtain an electronic copy through the Golden Field Office Home Page at http://www.eren.doe.gov/ golden/solicit.htm beginning August 1, 1997. Only written requests for the solicitation will be honored. For convenience, requests for the solicitation and referrals to the appropriate state agency may be faxed to Ms. Johnson at (303) 275-4788.

Issued in Golden, Colorado, on June 25, 1997.

John W. Meeker,

Chief, Procurement, GO. [FR Doc. 97–17346 Filed 7–2–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450–01–P

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-596-000]

ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Application

June 27, 1997.

Take notice that, on June 20, 1997, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR), 500 Renaissance Center, Detroit, Michigan 48243, filed an abbreviated application requesting: (1) permission and approval, pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act, to abandon (i.e., spin-down) a portion of its Holly Ridge Lateral facilities to ANR Field Šervices Company (ANRFS); (2) authorization, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, to refunctionalize the Holly Ridge Lateral facilities that ANR will retain, from gathering to transmission; and (3) that the Commission find that the facilities to be transferred to ANRFS will be non-jurisdictional facilities after the transfer, all as more fully set forth in the application, which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

The Holly Ridge Lateral facilities include 26.98 miles of 8-inch diameter pipeline, two 600 horsepower (hp) compressors, and a meter station. The first leg of the Holly Ridge Lateral extends for 15.88 miles, from ANR's Holly Ridge Meter Station, in Section 30, T11N, R10E, Tensas Parish, Louisiana, and on to ANR's Gilbert Interconnection with Mid Louisiana Gas Company, located in Section 8, T12N, R8E, Franklin Parish, Louisiana.From the Gilbert Interconnection, the Holly Ridge Lateral continues for another 11.1 miles to the a tie-in with ANR's Southeast Mainline, in Section 12, T13N, R6E, Franklin Parish, Louisiana.

ANR proposes to spindown the 15.88mile portion of its Holly Ridge Lateral, the two 600 hp compressors, and the meter station to ANRFS. ANR proposes to retain and refunctionalize (from gathering to transmission) the remaining 11.1 miles of its Holly Ridge Lateral, and the Gilbert Interconnection. ANR requests that the Commission issue an order in this proceeding by August 1, 1997, authorizing ANR to spindown (to ANRFS) the Holly Ridge Lateral facilities upstream of the Gilbert Interconnection, authorizing ANR to refunctionalize the remaining Holly Ridge Lateral facilities (from gathering to transmission), and finding that the transferred facilities will be nonjurisdictional facilities after they have been transferred to ANRFS.

Any person desiring to be heard, or to make any protest with reference to said

application should, on or before July 18, 1997, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington D.C., 20426, a motion to intervene or 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 the proceeding, or to Docket 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 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 application, if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, or if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that permission and approval for the proposed abandonment and a grant of the certificate authorization are required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or 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 ANR to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-400-000]

Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Termination of Gathering Services

June 27, 1997.

Take notice that on June 25, 1997, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), tendered for filing a notice of termination of gathering service upon the transfer by sale of Columbia's Line 2 to Eastern American Energy Corporation (Eastern). Columbia states that to date seven shippers, representing 80 percent of the volumes through the facility, have entered into gathering agreements with Eastern and that Eastern intends to continue to offer the service to the remaining shippers.

Columbia states that this filing is being made in compliance with the Commission's "Order Approving Default Contract and Granting Abandonment Authority" dated August 2, 1996, Section 4 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), and Part 154, Subpart C of the Commission's Regulations. Columbia has proposed an effective date of August 1, 1997, for the transfer of the facilities and the termination of its service. At which time Eastern will initiate its service.

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 Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All such motions or protests should be filed on or before July 7, 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. 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-583-000]

Columbia Gas Transmission Company: **Notice of Request Under Blanket** Authorization

June 27, 1997.

Take notice that on June 16, 1997, Columbia Gas Transmission Company (Columbia), 1700 MacCorkle Avenue, S.E., West Virginia, 25314–1599 filed in Docket No CP97-583-000, 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 relocate four points of delivery to New York State and Electric and abandon approximately 19.38 miles of ten-inch pipeline located

in Steuben and Schuyler Counties, New York, under Columbia's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83-76-000, pursuant to Section 7(b)) 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.

Any person or the Commission Staff may, within 45 days of the issuance if 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 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 activities 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 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 76 of the Natural Gas Act.

Lois Cashell.

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-602-000]

NorAm Gas Transmission Company; **Notice of Request Under Blanket** Authorization

June 27, 1997.

Take notice that on June 23, 1997. NorAm Gas Transmission Company (NGT), 1600 Smith Street, Houston, Texas 77002, filed in Docket No. CP97-602-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.211 and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157,211 and 157.216) for authorization to abandon certain facilities in Arkansas and to construct and operate certain facilities in Arkansas to deliver gas to ARKLA, a distribution division of NorAm Energy Corp (ARKLA), under NGT's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-384-000, et al., pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

NGT proposes to replace and upgrade an existing tap on its Line AM-22 in Garland County, Arkansas, to provide

increased volumes to ARKLA's rural distribution lines. NGT states that the total estimated volumes to be delivered through these facilities is 8,000 MMBtu annually and 40 MMBtu on a peak day. In addition, NGT estimates the cost of this project to be \$2,802, of which ARKLA will reimburse NGT \$2,500.

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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-226-002]

Questar Pipeline Company; Notice of **Tariff Filing**

June 27, 1997.

Take notice that on June 25, 1997, Questar Pipeline Company (Questar) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, Third Revised Sheet No. 163 and Substitute Third Revised Sheet No. 167, to be effective May 1, 1997.

Questar states that the proposed tariff sheets clearly explain that firm storage customers may release their storage capacity, injection and withdrawal rights separately and also include approved interruptible storage service allocation language, as required by the February 12 order.

Questar explains further that it has clarified in this tariff filing the previously approved rates and billing units that are applicable to releases of independent components of storage

service at Clay Basin.

Questar states that a copy of this filing has been served upon its customers and affected public service commissions.