

before September 5, 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 in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EC97-48-000]

Lake Benton Power Partners, LLC; Notice of Filing

August 28, 1997.

Take notice that on August 18, 1997 and August 22, 1997, Lake Benton Power Partners, LLC tendered for filing amendments in the above-referenced docket.

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 Avenue, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before September 8, 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. CP97-710-000]

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America; Notice of Application To Abandon

August 28, 1997.

Take notice that on August 25, 1997, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Applicant), 701 East 22nd Street, Lombard, Illinois 60148 filed pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act, for authority to abandon by sale to its affiliate MidCon Texas Pipeline Operator (MidCon) certain laterals, meters and tap facilities located in Jim Hogg and Zapata Counties, Texas.

Specifically, Natural proposes to abandon: (1) 11.7 miles of 8-inch pipeline along with meter and tap facilities comprising the Los Mogotes Lateral in Zapata County, Texas; and (2) 15.9 miles of 10-inch pipeline along with meter and tap facilities comprising the Escobas Lateral in Jim Hogg and Zapata Counties, Texas.

Applicant intends to sell the facilities to MidCon for their net book value of \$151,713. Applicant also asks the Commission to specify that after transfer to MidCon the facilities will be non-jurisdictional.

Any person desiring to be heard or make any protest with reference to said application should on or before September 18, 1997, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., 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 protesters 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 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, or if the

Commission on its own review of the matter finds that permission and approval of the proposed abandonment are 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 Applicant 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. RP97-469-000]

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

August 28, 1997.

Take notice that on August 26, 1997, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Sixth Revised Volume No. 1, certain tariff sheets to be effective October 1, 1997.

Natural states that the purpose of the filing is to modify the provisions in Natural's tariff relating to recovery of gas supply realignment costs. Specifically, Natural is filing to continue the pricing differential method with respect to one contract. In addition, Natural is filing mechanisms to recover supply realignment costs originally allocated to Rate Schedule ITS which were not collected in ITS rates.

Natural requested any waivers which may be required to permit the tendered tariff sheets to become effective on October 1, 1997.

Natural states that copies of the filing have been mailed to Natural's customers and interested state regulatory agencies.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-708-000]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Application

August 28, 1997.

Take notice that on August 25, 1997, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, filed in Docket No. CP97-708-000, an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act for permission and approval to abandon by sale to Columbia Gulf Transmission Company (Columbia Gulf) Northern's ownership interest in certain facilities with appurtenances, located in West Cameron and Vermillion Blocks, Offshore Louisiana, for \$10.00, including any facilities constructed under its blanket during the processing of this application, and to abandon any related services, as more fully set forth in the application on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Northern states that these facilities are no longer needed to perform its primary function as transporter, as opposed to its pre-636 function as merchant of natural gas, and therefore has decided to sell the facilities. Also, Northern indicates that these facilities are non-contiguous to its system and that Columbia Gulf is more in tune to operating such facilities in conjunction with its interstate pipeline system.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before September 18, 1997, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 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 385.214 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.

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, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that permission and approval for the proposed abandonment are 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 Northern 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. RP97-480-000]

Pacific Gas Transmission Company, Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

August 28, 1997.

Take notice that on August 26, 1997, Pacific Gas Transmission Company (PGT) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1-A: First Revised Sheet No. 131, to be effective September 26, 1997.

PGT asserts the purpose of this filing is to comply with the Commission's February 27, 1997 Order on Remand in Docket Nos. RM91-11-006, *et al.* ("Order on Remand"), which directed pipelines to revise their contract matching term cap in the right-of-first-refusal provisions of their tariffs to be consistent with the five-year cap established in the Order on Remand.

PGT further states a copy of this filing has been served upon its jurisdictional customers and interested state regulatory agencies.

Any person desiring to be heard or 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 Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. 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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-466-000]

Stingray Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

August 28, 1997.

Take notice that on August 26, 1997, Stingray Pipeline Company (Stingray) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, First Revised Sheet No. 178, to be effective October 1, 1997.

Stingray states that the filing was made pursuant to Section 4 of the Natural Gas Act, the Commission's Regulations thereunder regarding tariff changes, and Order No. 636-C. Specifically, Stingray requested to modify Sections 18.2(d)(1) and (d)(3) of the General Terms and Conditions of its tariff relating to the right of first refusal to provide for a five-year term matching cap instead of the currently effective twenty-year term match.

Stingray requested whatever waivers are necessary to permit the tariff sheet to become effective on October 1, 1997.

Stingray states that a copy of the filing has been mailed to Stingray's transportation customers and interested state regulatory agencies.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the