

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket Nos. ER98-927-000, ER98-928-000, ER98-930-000, and ER98-931-000]

**Ocean Vista Power Generation, L.L.C.;  
Oeste Power Generation, L.L.C.;  
Mountain Vista Power Generation,  
L.L.C.; Alta Power Generation, L.L.C.;  
Notice of Issuance of Order**

February 19, 1998.

Ocean Vista Power Generation, L.L.C., Oeste Power Generation, L.L.C., Mountain Vista Power Generation, L.L.C., and Alta Power Generation, L.L.C. (collectively, Applicants) are affiliates of Houston Lighting & Power Company and wholly-owned subsidiaries of Houston Industries Power Generation, Inc., which in turn is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Houston Industries. Each Applicant filed separate applications for authorization to engage in wholesale power sales at market-based rates, and for certain waivers and authorizations. In particular, Applicants requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liabilities by Applicants. On February 11, 1998, the Commission issued an Order Conditionally Accepting for Filing Proposed Market-Based Rates and Granting Waiver of Notice (Order), in the above-docketed proceeding.

The Commission's February 11, 1998 Order granted the request for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the conditions found in Ordering paragraphs (E), (F), and (H):

(E) Within 30 days of the date of this order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the Commission's blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities by Applicants should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal 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, 18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214.

(F) Absent a request to be heard within the period set forth in Ordering Paragraph (E) above, Applicants are hereby authorized to issue securities and assume obligations and liabilities as guarantor, indorser, surety or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issue or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of Applicants, compatible with the public interest, and reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

(H) The Commission reserves the right to modify this order to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued Commission approval of Applicants' issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities \* \* \*.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is March 13, 1998.

Copies of the full text of the Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. GT98-15-001]

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

February 19, 1998.

Take notice that on February 13, 1998, Overthrust Pipeline Company (Overthrust), tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1-A, Fourth Revised Sheet No. 77 to be effective February 27, 1998.

Overthrust states that this tariff sheet corrects the pagination of Third Revised Sheet No. 77 as tendered with Overthrust's January 28, 1998, FERC Gas Tariff filing in Docket No. GT98-15-000.

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 Rules and Regulations. All such protests should be filed in accordance with 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. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RP85-60-011]

**Overthrust Pipeline Company; Notice  
of Report of Refunds**

February 19, 1998.

Take notice that on February 6, 1998 Overthrust Pipeline Company (Overthrust) tendered for filing a refund report. Overthrust states that the report documents refunds of amounts pertaining to and detailing the Deferred Income Tax (DIT) refund payments for the year 1997.

Overthrust states that it is filing the refund report pursuant to a Commission order dated May 21, 1991, "Order Approving Settlement with Modifications" in Docket Nos. RP85-60-000 and -002. Overthrust explains that Article V of the settlement as modified, requires Overthrust to file an annual report 60-days after making the actual DIT refunds.

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 Rules and Regulations. All such protests should be filed on or before February 26, 1998. Protest 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.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 2114, WA]

**Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant  
County, Washington; Notice of Public  
Utility District No. 2 of Grant County's  
Request for Alternative Procedures in  
Preparing a License Application**

February 19, 1998.

By letter dated January 22, 1998, Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County, Washington (Grant) has asked to use an alternative procedure in preparing to relicense their Priest

Rapids Project No. 2114.<sup>1</sup> Specifically, Grant is asking for a waiver of Section 16.6(c)(1) of the Commission's regulations, and for early National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) scoping.

Section 16.6(c)(1) of the Commission's regulations requires an applicant to file a notice of intent to relicense a project no earlier than five and one-half years before license expiration.<sup>2</sup> Grant intends to negotiate pre-filing settlements during the 3-stage consultation period before filing their relicense application, and in order to do so would like to start formal consultation before the year 2000. Grant is also asking that Commission staff conduct NEPA scoping during the pre-filing stages to facilitate the early identification of issues.

Grant has demonstrated that they have made an effort to contact resource agencies, Indian tribes, nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), and others affected by their proposal, and that a consensus exists that the use of an alternative procedure is appropriate in this case.

The purpose of this notice is to invite comments on Grant's request to use the alternative procedure, as required under the final rule for Regulations for the Licensing of Hydroelectric Projects.<sup>3</sup> Additional notices seeking comments on the specific project proposal, interventions and protests, and recommended terms and conditions will be issued at a later date.

#### Comments

Interested parties have 30 days from the date of this notice to file with the Commission, any comments on Grant's proposal to use the alternative procedures to prepare an application to relicense the Priest Rapids Project.

#### Filing Requirements

The comments must be filed by providing an original and 8 copies as required by the Commission's regulations to: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Office of the Secretary, Dockets—Room 1A, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

All comment filings must bear the heading "Comments on the Alternative Procedure," and include the project

name and number (Priest Rapids Hydroelectric Project, No. 2114).

For further information, please contact Vince Yearick of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission at 202-219-3073.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

##### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EG98-43-000]

##### Sithe Wyman LLC; Notice of Application for Commission Determination of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status

February 19, 1998.

On February 11, 1998, Sithe Wyman LLC, 450 Lexington Avenue, 37th Floor, New York, NY 10017 (Sithe Wyman), filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an application for determination of exempt wholesale generator status pursuant to Part 365 of the Commission's Regulations.

Sithe Wyman states that it will own a 5.89% interest in an electric generating facility, entitling Sithe Wyman to receive 36 MW of electricity. The facility is located in Yarmouth, Maine.

Any person desiring to be heard concerning the application for exempt wholesale generator status should file a motion to intervene or protests 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 (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). The Commission will limit its consideration of comments to those that concern the adequacy of the application. All such motions and protests should be filed on or before March 4, 1998, and must be served on the applicant. 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.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

##### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-135-000]

##### Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

February 19, 1998.

Take notice that on February 13, 1998, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1, First Revised Sheet No. 676, Original Sheet No. 678 and Original Sheet No. 679, with an effective date of March 15, 1998.

Tennessee states that the tariff sheets propose certain modifications of its Pro Forma Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Agency Authorization Agreement in that the limited agent under the EDI Agency Authorization Agreement will have responsibility for the data sets identified in Exhibit I to the EDI Agency Authorization Agreement, rather than for the data sets identified in Exhibit A to the Trading Partner Agreement between the limited agent and Tennessee, as contemplated by Tennessee's current Pro Forma EDI Agency Authorization Agreement. Tennessee further states that this change permits a shipper to delegate to the limited agent responsibility for some, but not all, of the data sets identified in the trading partner agreement thereby giving the shipper greater flexibility with regard to its EDI transactions with Tennessee.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this 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 in accordance with 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.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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<sup>1</sup> The 1,946-megawatt Priest Rapids project is located on the Columbia River in Chelan, Douglas, Kittitas, Grant, Yakima, and Benton Counties, Washington. The project consists of two developments; Priest Rapids Dam and Wanapum Dam.

<sup>2</sup> The license for the Priest Rapids project was issued on November 4, 1955 (14 FPC 1067), effective November 1, 1995, and expires by its terms on October 31, 2005.

<sup>3</sup> 81 FERC ¶ 61,103 (1997).