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R. Arlene Coleman,
Contracting Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP02-23-000]

Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Application

November 21, 2001.

Take notice that on November 13, 2001, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), 1700 MacCorkle Avenue, S.E., Charleston, West Virginia 25314, filed in Docket No. CP02-23-000 a request pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), for permission and approval to abandon by sale to Columbia Natural Resources, Inc. (CNR) certain natural gas facilities located in Upshur and

Randolph Counties, West Virginia, and the service provided through such facilities. In addition, Columbia requests that the Commission find the abandoned facilities to be gathering and therefore exempt from the Commission's jurisdiction, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" and follow the instructions (call (202)208-2222 for assistance).

Columbia states that as a result of Order Nos. 436 and 636, it has experienced a shift from primarily a merchant function to that of transporter. As a result, Columbia states that it is taking steps to redefine its pipeline system. Columbia further states that the facilities to be sold to CNR are not an integral part of its transmission system and that the long-term needs of its customers are best served through a divestiture of the non-core facilities.

Columbia states that on October 1, 2001, Columbia and CNR signed a letter of intent and acceptance of proposal to purchase. Columbia further states that such letter provides for the sale of the Alexander system which consists of 10.08 miles of 3-inch-diameter to 26-inch-diameter pipelines, and the Alexander and Sugar Run Compressor Stations which consist of two 540 horsepower units and one 600 horsepower unit, respectively. It is stated that the price of the facilities to be sold to CNR will be at net depreciated book cost at the time of the sale.

Columbia states that it does not propose the abandonment of service to customers other than those currently served directly from the facilities. Also, Columbia states that CNR has agreed to assume Columbia's service obligations to those customers. Columbia further states that although the Commission requires pipeline companies to make a tariff filing, pursuant to NGA section 4, within 30 days prior to the effective date of the transfer of gathering facilities to another party, Columbia requests waiver of this requirement. Instead, in the interest of efficiency and expediency, Columbia requests that the Commission accept the information provided within the application and in Exhibit Z-2 (List of Contracts to be Terminated) as its notice to terminate service pursuant to section 4 of the NGA.

Any questions regarding the application should be directed to Fredric J. George, Senior Attorney, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation, P.O. Box 127, Charleston,

West Virginia 22030-0146 at (304) 357-2359.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this abandonment. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this abandonment should, on or before December 12, 2001, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene 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 NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this abandonment. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the abandonment provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this abandonment should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site under the "e-Filing" link.

If the Commission decides to set the application for a formal hearing before an Administrative Law Judge, the Commission will issue another notice describing that process. At the end of the Commission's review process, a final Commission order approving or denying abandonment will be issued.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP01-76-000, CP01-77-000, RP01-217-000, and CP01-156-000 (not consolidated)]

Cove Point LNG Limited Partnership; Notice to Parties

November 21, 2001.

This is to advise the parties in this proceeding that they may have access to non-public documents filed in or otherwise created for this proceeding (e.g., the transcript from the November 16, 2001 non-public conference), provided they sign the attached non-disclosure agreement. (Persons who are not parties to this proceeding must seek release under the Commission's Freedom of Information Act regulations in part 388 of Title 18 of the Code of Federal Regulations.) Requests should be submitted to the Secretary of the Commission in writing, specifying the exact document(s) sought and attaching a signed copy of the agreement. Any questions about the administration of the agreement should be directed to Jack Kendall, 202-208-0847.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP01-76-000, CP01-77-000, RP01-217-000, and CP01-156-000 (not consolidated)]

Cove Point LNG Limited Partnership; Non-Disclosure Agreement

I hereby agree that I will not disclose the non-public material I have requested in this proceeding (specified below) to anyone other than, as appropriate, my client, my supervisor(s), or anyone else whom I represent or to whom I report. That person(s) in turn may not disclose the information to anyone. I understand that the contents of the non-public material, any notes or other memoranda, or any other form of information that copies or discloses this material shall not be disclosed to anyone other than as noted. I further understand that I shall use this material only in connection with this proceeding. I acknowledge that a violation of this agreement constitutes a violation of the Commission's directive at 97 FERC ¶61,181 (2001) that certain material in this proceeding be treated as privileged.

Specification of Material Requested: _____

By: _____

Date: _____

(Print Name) _____

Title: _____

Representing: _____

Mailing Address: _____

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Date of Intervention: _____

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP02-26-000]

El Paso Natural Gas Company; Notice of Application

November 21, 2001.

Take notice that on November 15, 2001, El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso), a Delaware corporation, P.O. Box 1087, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80944, filed in Docket No. CP02-26-000, an application pursuant to sections 7(b) and 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), as amended, and part 157 of the Federal Energy Regulatory

Commission's Regulations (Commission), for permission and approval to abandon by removal certain existing pipeline facilities and for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing El Paso to replace and relocate certain pipeline facilities located in Pima County, Arizona. El Paso states that it requests expeditious authorization for the proposed relocation, replacement and abandonment no later than February 15, 2002 in order to coordinate construction with the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) construction schedule anticipated to begin by March 31, 2002, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

El Paso states that the City of Tucson, Arizona, is currently experiencing rapid commercial and residential development which has resulted in increased encroachment on El Paso's pipeline facilities. Recently, El Paso was notified by ADOT of their intent to completely renovate the Interstate-10/ Interstate-19 highway interchange (I-10/I-19 Project). The I-10/I-19 Project is crossed by El Paso's existing 10-3/4" O.D. Tucson-Phoenix Lone (Line No. 1007). As a result of the pending encroachment resulting from the I-10/I-19 Project, El Paso must relocate, replace and abandon by removal a segment of Line No. 1007 affected by this public works project.

El Paso states that this type of project would normally be accomplished under its blanket certificate authorization, issued in Docket No. CP82-435-000, as a "miscellaneous rearrangement" of facilities under Section 157.208(a) of the Commission's Regulations. However, El Paso states that in March 2000, the Arizona State Historical Preservation Office (SHPO) determined that Line No. 1007 was eligible for historic designation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Consequently, El Paso cannot obtain the necessary "No Effect" determination required from the SHPO under the Commission's Regulations for projects undertaken pursuant to El Paso's blanket certificate authorization. El Paso states that in order for it to undertake the project proposed herein, the SHPO has determined that a programmatic agreement (PA) is required. The PA, according to El Paso, is designed to