

(c) 0.3 miles of new bi-directional 36-inch diameter pipeline extending from the proposed compressor station to a new interconnect with the interstate pipeline facilities of Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) in Jasper County, Mississippi;

(d) new metering facilities at the proposed interconnects with Southern Natural Destin, and Transco;

(e) a bi-directional pig launcher/receiver trap adjacent to the proposed Destin Meter Station; and

(f) certain mainline block valves at six locations along the proposed pipeline.

Petal estimates that the proposed facilities will cost about \$94,343,700.

Petal also requests that the Commission approve Petal's new firm and interruptible gas transportation services as set forth in Petal's pro forma Tariff Volume No. 1 filed in Exhibit P of the application, revisions to its existing tariff, and for authorization to charge negotiated rates for transportation services. Petal states that the pro forma tariff sheets (i) add Rate Schedule FTS, Rate Schedule ITS, and a Statement of Rates for Transportation Services; (ii) make conforming changes to Petal's General Terms and Conditions; (iii) update references to Petal to reflect its reorganization as a limited liability company; (iv) correct designations of certain tariff sheets that have been inappropriately designated as being in "Revised" Volume No. 1; and (v) conform Petal's tariff with the requirements of Order No. 637.

Petal states that it has entered into a 20-year firm transportation precedent agreement with Southern Company Services (Southern Company) for the full 700,000 Mcf per day of capacity and requests approval of certain deviations in the transportation agreement from its pro forma Form of Firm Transportation Service Agreement. Petal states that it intends to continue charging market based rates for its existing storage services and states that the new facilities and transportation services do not affect its market power status.

Finally, Petal requests that the Commission grant any waivers that the Commission may deem necessary to grant the relief and issue the certificate and approvals requested in the application including any waivers of tariff provisions deemed necessary to permit Southern Company, acting as agent for its affiliated operating electric utilities to apportion capacity among them.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Susan T. Halbach, Senior Counsel, P.O. Box 2511, Houston, Texas 77002.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before February 20, 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 project. 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 project 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 project 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.

The Commission may issue a preliminary determination on non-

environmental issues prior to the completion of its review of the environmental aspects of the project. This preliminary determination typically considers such issues as the need for the project and its economic effect on existing customers of the applicant, on other pipelines in the area, and on landowners and communities. For example, the Commission considers the extent to which the applicant may need to exercise eminent domain to obtain rights-of-way for the proposed project and balances that against the non-environmental benefits to be provided by the project. Therefore, if a person has comments on community and landowner impacts from this proposal, it is important either to file comments or to intervene as early in the process as possible.

Comments and protests 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 at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

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 a certificate will be issued.

**David P. Boergers,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-571-002]

#### Reliant Energy Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

January 30, 2001.

Take notice that on January 25, 2001, Reliant Energy Gas Transmission Company (REGT) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1, the tariff sheets listed on Appendix A to the filing, to be effective on February 1, 2001.

REGT states that the purpose of this filing is to make modifications to its tariff to permit flexible nomination procedures to become effective, consistent with the Commission's Order dated November 8, 2000 in the above-reference proceeding.

REGT states that a copy of this filing has been mailed to its customers and interested state commissions.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such 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 proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments and protests 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 at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP01-55-002]

#### WestGas InterState, Inc.; Notice of Compliance Filing

January 30, 2001.

Take notice that on January 24, 2001, WestGas InterState, Inc. (WGI) tendered for filing to its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, Substitute Original Sheet No. 47B, with an effective date of November 1, 2000.

WGI states that the purpose of the filing is to permit point operators to net and trade imbalances, in compliance with the letter order issued by the Director, Division of Tariffs and Rates—West in the above-captioned proceeding on January 9, 2001.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such 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 proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments and protests 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 at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER01-537-000 and ER01-538-000]

#### Westmoreland—LG&E Partners; Notice of Issuance of Order

January 30, 2001.

Westmoreland—LG&E Partners (Westmoreland) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which Westmoreland will engage in a wholesale electric power and energy transactions at market-based rates. Westmoreland also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, Westmoreland requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by Westmoreland.

On January 25, 2001, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Corporate Applications, Office of Markets, Tariffs and Rates, granted requests for blanket approval under part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability to Westmoreland should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214).

Absent a request for hearing within this period, Westmoreland is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor,

indorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, and compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approval of Westmoreland's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is February 26, 2001.

Copies of the full text of the Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The Order may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER01-1036-000, et al.]

#### Electric Energy, Inc., et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

January 26, 2001.

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

##### 1. Electric Energy, Inc.

[Docket No. ER01-1036-000]

Take notice that on January 23, 2001, Electric Energy, Inc. (EEInc.), tendered for filing an executed Transmission Service Agreement for Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service between EEInc., and Ameren Energy, Inc., (Ameren). Under the Transmission Service Agreement, EEInc., will provide Point-to-Point Transmission Service to Ameren pursuant to EEInc.'s open access transmission tariff filed in compliance with Order No. 888 and allowed to become effective by the Commission.

EEInc. has requested that the Service Agreement be allowed to become effective as of April 1, 2001.

Copies of this filing have been sent to Ameren.