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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP02-447-001]

#### Southwest Gas Storage Company; Notice of Compliance filing

October 30, 2002.

Take notice that on October 28, 2002, Southwest Gas Storage Company (Southwest) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheet to become effective October 1, 2002:

Sub 2nd Rev Second Revised Sheet No. 147

Southwest states that this filing is being made to comply with the Commission's Letter Order dated September 26, 2002 in Docket No. RP02-447-000 which requires Southwest to remove Standard 2.3.30 from Section 17.5 of the General Terms and Conditions of its tariff.

Southwest states that copies of this filing are being served on all jurisdictional customers, interested state regulatory agencies and parties to this proceeding.

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. This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at

## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-260-002]

#### Texas Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Compliance Filing

October 30, 2002.

Take notice that on October 25, 2002, Texas Gas Transmission Corporation (Texas Gas) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the tariff sheets listed on Appendix B to the filing, to become effective on August 1, 2002.

Texas Gas states that this filing is being submitted in compliance with paragraph 10 of the Commission Letter Order dated October 10, 2002 in Docket Nos. RP00-260-000 and RP00-260-010 (101 FERC ¶ 61,031). The Letter Order accepted an uncontested Settlement. By this filing, Texas Gas implements the provisions of the approved Settlement according to its terms.

Texas Gas states that copies of the revised tariff sheets are being mailed to all parties on the official service list, to Texas Gas's jurisdictional customers and to 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. This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be

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[Docket Nos. RP95-197-047 and RP97-71-039]

#### Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Compliance Filing

October 30, 2002.

Take notice that on October 15, 2002 Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, certain revised tariff sheets listed on Appendix A attached to the filing, to be effective December 1, 2002.

Transco states that the purpose of the filing is to comply with the Commission's Order issued September 30, 2002 which directed Transco to file a separate Section 5 compliance filing to unbundle the costs associated with its Emergency Eminent Storage Withdrawal Service.

Transco states that copies of the filing are being mailed to all parties in Docket Nos. RP95-197, RP97-71 and RP01-245 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 on or before November 8, 2002. 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. This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP96-359-011]

#### Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Negotiated Rate

October 30, 2002.

Take notice that on October 24, 2002, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) tendered for filing with the Commission a copy of an amendment to an executed service agreement between Transco and Williams Energy Marketing & Trading Company that contains a negotiated rate under Rate Schedule FT applicable to the Leidy East Expansion Project. Transco states that the purpose of the instant filing is to comply with requirements specified in the Commission's October 25, 2001, "Order Issuing Certificate," in Docket No. CP01-389 which required Transco, among other things, to file, not less than 30 days prior to the commencement of service of the Leidy East Expansion Project, the negotiated rate agreements or tariff sheets reflecting the essential elements of its negotiated rate agreements. The proposed effective date of the amendment submitted herein is November 1, 2002, the anticipated in-service date of the Leidy East project.

Transco states that copies of the filing are being mailed to its affected customers and interested State Commissions. 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, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 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 proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "FERRIS" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll-free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP02-436-000]

#### Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Project Max and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

October 30, 2002.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of Project MAX involving construction and operation of facilities by Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern) in several counties of Minnesota.<sup>1</sup> These facilities would consist of about 4.6 miles of 8-inch-diameter pipeline, a new compressor station, and modifications to 10 different town border stations. This EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

If you are a landowner receiving this notice, you may be contacted by a pipeline company representative about

the acquisition of an easement to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed facilities. The pipeline company would seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement. However, if the project is approved by the Commission, that approval conveys with it the right of eminent domain. Therefore, if easement negotiations fail to produce an agreement, the pipeline company could initiate condemnation proceedings in accordance with state law.

A fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled "An Interstate Natural Gas Facility On My Land? What Do I Need To Know?" was attached to the project notice Northern provided to landowners. This fact sheet addresses a number of typically asked questions, including the use of eminent domain and how to participate in the Commission's proceedings. It is available for viewing on the FERC Internet Web site ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)).

#### Summary of the Proposed Project

The incremental capacity attained by the proposed facilities (summarized below) would be utilized to serve high priority residential, commercial, and industrial customer market growth in Northern's Market Area. The construction of the proposed facilities would increase the peak day capacity on Northern's Market Area mainline by approximately 16,200 million cubic feet per day. These facilities are required to meet shipper requests for firm capacity that Northern received during its open season. Northern's proposed facilities are as follows:

- (1) Construct 4.6 miles of 8-inch-diameter loop on its Alexandria Branchline in Morrison County, Minnesota;
- (2) Relocate existing tie-over and blowdown valves from the end of the existing Alexandria Branchline Loop to the end of the proposed branchline loop in Morrison County Minnesota;
- (3) Construct a new electric compressor station on its Minnesota Interconnecting Line MNB 77501 near Popple Creek, in Benton County, Minnesota;
- (4) Install a new regulator and valve at its Farmington Compressor Station in Dakota County, Minnesota;
- (5) Upgrade 10 existing town border stations (TBS) in Douglas, Wright, Stearns, Dakota, Sherburne and Pope counties of Minnesota; and
- (6) Install a valve operator on the existing C to B tie-over valve located at the St. Paul TBS #1T in Washington County, Minnesota.

<sup>1</sup> Northern's application was filed with the Commission under Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations.