

determination has been made that the submittal constitutes a complete filing.

Comment date: February 8, 1995, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraphs

E. 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, 825 North Capitol 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 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. 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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[Project No. 7888-006 Vermont]

Comtu Falls Associates; Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment

January 20, 1995.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission's) regulations 18 CFR Part 380 (Order 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Hydropower Licensing has reviewed the downstream fish passage plan for the Comtu Falls Project, located on the Black River, in Windsor County, Vermont, and has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA). In the DEA, the Commission staff analyzed the potential impacts and benefits from the licensee's proposed fish passage plan, the no-action alternative and a Commission staff alternative. The Commission staff determined that either the licensee's proposed plan or staff's alternative would provide the intended benefits to the fish resources of the Black River, with the Commission staff's plan being less costly. The Commission staff concluded that approval of either downstream fish passage plan would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

Copies of the DEA are available for review in the Public Reference Branch, Room 3104, of the Commission's offices at 941 North Capitol Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Please submit any comments within 30 days from the date of this notice. Any comments, conclusions, or recommendations that draw upon studies, reports, or other working papers of substance should be supported by appropriate documentation.

Comments should be addressed to Lois D. Cashell, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 825 North Capitol Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please affix Project No. 7888-006 to all comments. For Further information, please contact Robert Grieve at (202) 219-265.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP93-685-001, et al.]

Tuscarora Gas Transmission Company, et al.; Natural Gas Certificate Filings

January 18, 1995.

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

1. Tuscarora Gas Transmission Company

[Docket No. CP93-685-001]

Take notice that on January 12, 1995, Tuscarora Gas Transmission Company (Tuscarora), 6100 Neil Road, P.O. Box 30150, Reno, Nevada 89520-3057, filed in Docket No. CP93-685-001, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, seeking to amend its application filed in Docket No. CP93-685-000 on August 27, 1993. In that application Tuscarora requested authorization to: (1) Construct, own, and operate a new 229-mile, 20-inch diameter natural gas pipeline extending from an interconnection with Pacific Gas Transmission Company (PGT) near Malin, Oregon to the Tracy Power Plant owned by Sierra Pacific Power Company in Storey County, Nevada, (2) transport natural gas on an open access, self implementing basis, with pregranted abandonment authority, and (3) construct, own, operate, and abandon certain facilities on a self-implementing basis. In its amendment, Tuscarora seeks to: (1) modify its pipe specifications and flow studies; (2) reduce its proposed rates; (3) change its proposed tariff; (4) revise exhibits regarding officers and subsidiaries and affiliates; and (5) incorporate those

portions of Tuscarora's letter filed on November 18, 1994, which provides additional information regarding the status of regulatory and upstream transportation matters and the changes required as a result of the environmental review process; all as more fully set forth in the amendment which is on file with the Commission and is open to public inspection.

Tuscarora also requested that the Commission issue a preliminary determination on non-environmental issues.

Tuscarora says that upon analysis of pipe manufacturer's bids after completion of the projects detailed design phase it determined that it would benefit the project to change the specifications for pipe to be used in locations designated as Class 1 and Class 2 under the Department of Transportation's Minimum Federal Safety Standards. Tuscarora says that the proposed changes will not change the cost of the project and will have little impact on the flow characteristics of the pipeline.

Tuscarora proposes to reduce its proposed initial transportation rates as a result of two changes in Tuscarora's rate methodology: a lowering of the return on equity component used in calculating the rates from 13.5% to 13.0% and the use of levelized rates for the first five years of Tuscarora's operation. Tuscarora also proposes to modify the portions of its tariff that set out the proposed rates, prescribe uniform gas-usage, permit assignability, and establish forms of firm transportation agreements.

Comment date: February 8, 1995, in accordance with the first paragraph of Standard Paragraph F at the end of this notice.

2. Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America; Columbia Gulf Transmission Company; Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company

[Docket No. CP95-151-000]

Take notice that on January 11, 1995, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural), 701 East 22nd Street, Lombard, Illinois 60148; Columbia Gulf Transmission Company (Columbia Gulf), P.O. Box 1273, Charleston, West Virginia 25325-1273; and Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee), P.O. Box 2511, Houston, Texas 77252-2511, filed a joint application with the Commission in Docket No. CP95-151-000 pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for permission and approval to abandon five separate exchange services which were authorized in Docket Nos. CP72-295, CP73-177, CP73-182, CP74-204, as

amended, CP77-327, and CP79-249, all as more fully set forth in the application which is open to the public for inspection.

The parties propose to abandon the following five exchange services:

1. An exchange service between Natural, Columbia Gulf, and Tennessee performed under Natural's FERC Rate Schedule X-33, Columbia Gulf's FERC Rate Schedule X-14, and Tennessee's FERC Rate Schedule X-39, jointly authorized in Docket No. CP72-295;¹

2. An exchange service between Natural and Tennessee performed under Natural's Rate Schedule X-37 and Tennessee's FERC Rate Schedule X-38 authorized in Natural's Docket No. CP73-177 and Tennessee's Docket No. CP73-182;²

3. An exchange service between Natural and Columbia Gulf performed under Natural's Rate Schedule X-61 and Columbia Gulf's Rate Schedules X-22, X-24, and X-47, jointly authorized in Docket No. CP74-204;³

4. An exchange service between Natural, Columbia Gulf, and Tennessee performed under Natural's Rate Schedule X-87, Columbia Gulf's Rate Schedule X-33, and Tennessee's Rate Schedule X-54, jointly authorized in Docket No. CP77-327;⁴ and,

5. An exchange service between Natural and Columbia Gulf, jointly authorized in Docket No. CP79-249,⁵ performed under Columbia Gulf's Rate Schedule X-64, but to which Natural inadvertently did not file a rate schedule.

Comment date: February 8, 1995, in accordance with Standard Paragraph F at the end of this notice.

3. Texas Gas Transmission Corporation

[Docket No. CP95-157-000]

Take notice that on January 13, 1995, Texas Gas Transmission Corporation (Texas Gas), P.O. Box 1160, Owensboro, Kentucky, 42302, filed in Docket No. CP95-157-000 a request pursuant to §§ 157.205 and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.216) for authorization to abandon a delivery tap in Phillips County, Arkansas, under Texas Gas' blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-407-000, pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with

the Commission and open to public inspection.

Texas Gas proposes to abandon by removal the Nitrogen Products—Helena delivery tap, which is located on Texas Gas' Helena 12' pipeline in Phillips County. The tap was installed to deliver gas transported by Texas Gas to Nitrogen Products Incorporated's (Nitrogen Products) plant at Helena, Arkansas. It is asserted that Nitrogen Products has notified Texas Gas that it no longer requires deliveries because Nitrogen Products is selling the plant and the facilities are being dismantled.

Comment date: March 6, 1995, in accordance with Standard Paragraph G at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraphs

F. Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before the comment date, 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 a grant of the certificate and/or 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 applicant to appear or be represented at the hearing.

G. Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to § 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefor, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP95-152-000, et al.]

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, et al.; Natural Gas Certificate Filings

January 19, 1995.

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

1. Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America

[Docket No. CP95-152-000]

Take notice that on January 11, 1995, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural), 701 East 22nd Street, Lombard, Illinois 60148, filed an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act for permission and approval to abandon, by sale to MidCon Texas Pipeline Corp (MidCon Texas), an intrastate pipeline and affiliate, the Willamar Facilities, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

¹ 49 FPC 1002 (1973).

² The Commission concurrently granted authorization to Exxon Corporation in Docket No. CI73-410, to Natural in Docket No. CP73-177, and to Tennessee in Docket No. CP73-182 on April 5,

1973. (Not cited in the Federal Power Commission reports).

³ Temporary order issued January 10, 1975, and amended on July 3, 1975; permanent order issued at 57 FPC 1270 (1977), as amended at 1 FERC ¶ 61,178 (1977); 3 FERC ¶ 61,062 (1978); 3 FERC

¶ 61,292 (1978); 9 FERC ¶ 62,199 (1979); 11 FERC ¶ 62,078; and 37 FERC ¶ 62,166 (1986).

⁴ Temporary order issued on May 31, 1977, and permanent order issued at 58 FPC 2819 (1977).

⁵ 8 FERC ¶ 61,094 (1979).