

The above tariff sheets have been revised to reflect a modification to the Annual Charge Adjustment fee, in accordance with the Commission's most recent Annual Charge billing to PGT.

PGT requests that the proposed tariff sheets become effective October 1, 1995.

Any person desiring to be heard or protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 825 North Capitol Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.211 and 385.214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All such motions or protests should be filed on or before September 6, 1995. 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP95-705-000]

Shell Offshore Inc.; Notice of Petition for Declaratory Order

August 29, 1995.

Take notice that on August 23, 1995, Shell Offshore Inc. (Shell), P.O. Box 576, Houston, Texas 77001, filed a petition for declaratory order in Docket No. CP95-705-000 requesting that the Commission declare that, following Shell's purchase of certain offshore facilities from Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural), that those facilities are gathering facilities exempt from the Commission's Regulations pursuant to Section 1(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), all as more fully set forth in the petition which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Shell states that the facilities consist of currently-certificated interstate transmission facilities owned by Natural along with associated metering facilities. It is indicated that the facilities consist of (1) 2.8 miles of 8-inch pipeline that extends between Shell's "A" and "B" platforms in Eugene Island Block 331, offshore Louisiana, (2) a dual 8-inch meter and appurtenant facilities located on Shell's "A" platform in Eugene Island Block 331, offshore Louisiana, (3) a 10-inch dual meter and appurtenant facilities

located on Shell's platform in Vermilion Block 321, offshore Louisiana, (4) a dual 6-inch meter and appurtenant facilities located on Shell's platform in Vermilion Block 340, offshore Louisiana, and (5) a dual 8-inch meter and appurtenant facilities located on Shell's platform in West Cameron Block 565, offshore Louisiana.

Shell asserts that once it acquires the facilities their primary function will be gathering as set forth in *Farmland Industries, Inc.*, 23 FERC ¶ 61,063 (1983), as later modified by *Amerada Hess Corp., et al.*, 52 FERC ¶ 61,268 (1990), (*Amerada Hess*). It is indicated that under that test the Commission applies six criteria to determine the jurisdictional status of a facility: (1) the diameter and length of a facility; (2) the extension of facilities beyond a central point in the field; (3) the geographic configuration of the system; (4) the location of compressors and processing plants; (5) the location of wells along all or part of the facility; and (6) the operating pressure of the line. In *Amerada Hess*, the Commission indicated that it would consider other factors, in addition to the *Farmland* criteria, especially for offshore facilities, including the changing technical and geographic nature of exploration and production, the purpose, location and operation of the facility, the general business activity of the facility, and whether the jurisdictional determination is consistent with the objectives of the Natural Gas Act and the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978. Shell also points out that an application of the non-physical factors set out in *Amerada Hess* demonstrates that the facilities should be classified as gathering facilities.

Shell asserts that the acquired facilities will perform gathering functions. Lateral line 331 is relatively short length and small diameter, as is characteristic of traditional offshore gathering lines. It is stated that, the geographic configuration of Lateral 331 is "intrafield" a gathering line feeding production from one platform in one portion of the offshore block to another platform in another portion of the same offshore block, where the production can be measured and delivered to an interstate pipeline for transportation to shore. It is further stated that, Lateral 331 is located entirely behind the onshore processing plants, in federal offshore waters. Shell indicates that, Lateral 331 will be owned by a producer and will be used by the producer to gather production from one of its production platforms to another. Shell avers that, the proposed new owner of Lateral 331 is primarily engaged in

exploration and production activities and will use the facilities in furtherance of its exploration and production activities to gather production. It is indicated that, the measurement facilities to be acquired are located on four of Shell's production platforms, and will be used by Shell to measure the volume of gas produced and collected at each of the four platforms prior to delivery to the pipeline company for transportation, thus performing a production related function.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said petition should on or before September 19, 1995, 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). 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Project No. 2444-002 Wisconsin]

Northern States Power Company-Wisconsin; Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Assessment

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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 No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Hydropower Licensing has reviewed the application for a new license for the White River Hydroelectric Project, located in Ashland County, Wisconsin, and has prepared a Final Environmental Assessment (FEA) for the project. In the FEA, the Commission's staff has analyzed the potential environmental impacts of the existing project and has concluded that approval of the project, with appropriate environmental protection or enhancement measures, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

Copies of the FEA are available for review in the Public Reference Branch,