

comment period was to end on October 18, 1995. In response to a petition from an industry group, the Commission grants an extension of the comment period.

DATES: Written comments on the proposed Guides for Select Leather and Imitation Leather Products will be accepted until November 15, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, Room H-159, Sixth Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20580, telephone number (202) 326-2506. Comments should be identified as "16 CFR Part 24—Comment—Proposed Guides for Select Leather and Imitation Leather Products".

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan E. Arthur, Attorney, (214) 767-5503, Federal Trade Commission, Dallas Regional Office, 100 N. Central Expressway, Suite 500, Dallas, Texas 75201.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As part of its periodic review of its rules and guides, the Commission published a notice in the Federal Register on March 27, 1995, which requested public comment concerning its Guides for the Luggage and Related Products Industry; Guides for Shoe Content Labeling and Advertising; and Guides for the Ladies' Handbag Industry. On September 18, 1995 (60 FR 48056), the Commission rescinded these three Guides. At the same time, the Commission sought public comment on proposed Guides for Select Leather and Imitation Leather Products, which combined relevant portions of the three Guides and the Commission's Trade Regulation Rule Concerning Misbranding and Deception as to Leather Content of Waist Belts, 16 CFR Part 405 ("Waist Belt Rule"), updated certain language used in the Guides, and reflected other modifications that clarified and streamlined provisions that were contained in the Waist Belt Rule and the Guides.

The Commission received a petition on October 13, 1995, from the Footwear Distributors and Retailers of America ("FDRA"), a trade association that represents over 70 retailers, distributors, importers and manufacturers of footwear and related products. In the petition, FDRA requested that the Commission extend the comment period until November 15, 1995. FDRA requests the additional time to engage in a consultative review process prior to submitting its comments.

In light of the importance of public comments in the Commission's

evaluation of the proposed Guides, the Commission believes that an extension of the comment period is appropriate. Therefore, in order to allow all interested persons the opportunity to supply the Commission with comments concerning the proposed Guides, the Commission grants an extension of the comment period to November 15, 1995.

List of Subjects in 16 CFR Part 24

Advertising, Distribution, Imitation-leather products, Labeling, Ladies' handbags, Leather and leather products industry, Luggage and related products, Shoes, Trade practices, Waist belts.

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 41-58.

By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

18 CFR Part 35

[Docket No. RM95-8-000]

Promoting Wholesale Competition Through Open Access Non-Discriminatory Transmission Services by Public Utilities; Agendas for Technical Conferences

October 16, 1995.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Proposed rule; agendas for technical conference.

SUMMARY: The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is announcing the agendas and times for the Commission technical conference on ancillary services and for the Commission Staff's conference on pro forma tariffs. The agenda for the Commission technical conference on comparability for power pools will be announced at a later date. The proposed rule was published on April 7, 1995 (60 FR 17662).

DATES: October 26 and 27, 1995.

ADDRESSES: 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Richard Armstrong, Office of Electric Power Regulation, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 825 North Capitol Street, NE, Washington, DC 10426, (202) 208-0241, facsimile (202) 208-0180 (about Staff conference on pro forma tariffs).

James Newton, Office of Electric Power Regulation, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 825 North Capitol Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, (202) 208-0578, facsimile (202) 208-0190 (about Commission conference on ancillary services).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the Federal Register, the Commission also provides all interested persons an opportunity to inspect or copy the contents of this document during normal business hours in the Public Reference Room at 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission Issuance Posting System (CIPS) an electronic bulletin board service, provides access to the text of formal documents issued by the Commission. CIPS is available at no charge to the user and may be accessed using a personal computer with a modem by dialing (800) 856-3920. To access CIPS, set your communications software to 19200, 14400, 12000, 9600, 7200, 4800, 2400, or 1200 bps, full duplex, no parity, 8 data bits and 1 stop bit. The full text of this document will be available on CIPS in ASCII and WordPerfect 5.1 format. The complete text on diskette in WordPerfect format may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, La Dorn Systems Corporation, also located in the Public Reference Room at 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission previously announced (60 FR 43997, August 24, 1995) that the Commission would be sponsoring a technical conference on ancillary services, to be held on October 26, 1995, and that the Commission's Staff would be sponsoring a conference on pro forma tariffs, to be held on October 27, 1995. Both conferences will be held at the Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Attached to this notice are the tentative agendas and times for these upcoming technical conferences. Although the Commission and the Staff reserve the right to make minor revisions to these agendas, announcing the tentative agendas at this time will help the parties focus on pertinent issues as early as possible.

The Commission also previously announced that the Commission would sponsor a technical conference on comparatively for power pools, to be held on December 5 and 6, 1995. The

agenda for that conference will be announced at a later date.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

Attachment A.—Ancillary Services of Conference Agenda

888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC.,
October 26, 1995

9:30–9:35 Introduction—Elizabeth Moler, Chair

9:45–11:00 General Ancillary Services Issues

Panelists will address major ancillary services policy issues, including jurisdictional and reliability issues. Panelists will have 5 minutes each to make a presentation, followed by a discussion period.

Donald Benjamin, North American Electric Reliability Council
David Owens, Edison Electric Institute
Joseph Jenkins, National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners
Kurt Conger, American Public Power Association
Julie Simon, Electric Generation Association

11:00–12:15 Markets and Pricing Policies

Panelists will address whether competitive markets for ancillary services do or can exist, under what circumstances market-based pricing for ancillary services should be permitted, and how to determine the costs of various ancillary services under traditional ratemaking. Panelists will have 5 minutes each to make a presentation, followed by a discussion period.

Steven Walton, Pacificorp
Brady Belk, Large Public Power Council
L. Gayle Mayo, Transmission Access Policy Study Group
Paula G. Rosput, Associated Power Services
James Kenny, Entergy

12:15–1:30 Lunch Break

1:30–2:45 Definitions and Descriptions

Panelists will address whether additional or fewer ancillary services should be defined in the rule, and whether the NOPR's definitions and descriptions of the listed ancillary services can be improved. Panelists will have 5 minutes each to make a presentation, followed by a discussion period.

Ali Vojdani, Electric Power Research Institute
Joseph L. Welch, Detroit Edison Company

Eric Hirst, Oak Ridge National Laboratory
George Gross, Electric Policy Technical Issues Group
Lester Fink, ECC, Inc.

2:45–4:00 Obligation to Offer and Obligation to Take Ancillary Services

Panelists will address which entities must offer some or all ancillary services, and how ancillary services can be provided comparably to the provider's own use of ancillary services. Panelists will also address when customers should be required to take some or all ancillary services or pay for services used but not formally taken. Panelists will have 5 minutes each to make a presentation, followed by a discussion period.

Steven Naumann, Commonwealth Edison Company
B. H. Adams, North Carolina Municipal Power Agency #1
Linda Hensley, Sacramento Municipal Utility District
Susan Kelly, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association
Stanley Szwed, Centerior

4:00–4:15 Break

4:15–5:15 Bundled or Unbundled Ancillary Services

Panelists will address whether ancillary services should be provided as part of general transmission service, should be bundled and sold as a package, or unbundled and sold individually. Panelists will have 5 minutes each to make a presentation, followed by a discussion period.

Barry Green, Ontario Hydro
Robert Hanes, Tejas Power Corporation
John Simpson, Florida Power Corporation
John J. Stauffacher, Coalition for a Competitive Electric Market
Patrick Damiano, Washington Water Power

Attachment B.—Pro Forma Tariff Conference Agenda

888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC.,
October 27, 1995

8:30–8:45 Introduction and Opening Remarks

8:45–10:00 Characteristics of Network and Point-to-Point Services

Panelists will address whether network and point-to-point services are approximately defined and described. Panelists will also address whether non-price terms and conditions can be developed independently of the pricing

method and, in particular, whether a transmission provider or network customer should be able to make off-system sales without having to pay an additional transmission rate. Panelists will have 5 minutes each to make a presentation, followed by a discussion period.

Martin Blake, Louisville Gas & Electric Company
Kurt Conger, American Public Power Association
Harvey Reiter, Vermont Department of Public Service
Mike Apprill, Utilicorp United, Inc
Robert O'Neil, TDU Systems

10:00–10:15 Break

10:15–11:25 Costs and Prices for Network and Point-to-Point Services

Panelists will address whether the cost allocation methods for network and point-to-point services are appropriate for the characteristics of these services. In particular, panelists will address whether it is appropriate to use different costing methods (1 CP and 12CP) for the two services. Panelists will have 5 minutes each to make a presentation, followed by a discussion period.

J. Bouknight, Utility Working Group
Paula Green, Seattle City Light, Washington
Dennis Buckley, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Tom Blackburn, Utilities For Improved Transition
Sharon Rochford, Cajun Electric Power Cooperative

11:25–12:35 Service Reservation and Curtailment Priorities

Panelists will address who, if anyone, should receive priority in reserving firm and non-firm services. Panelists will also address whether the proposed curtailment provisions are appropriate. Panelists will each have 5 minutes to make a presentation, followed by a discussion period.

David Owens, Edison Electric Institute
Steven Daniel, Alabama Electric Cooperative, *et al*
Scott Hempling, Arkansas Public Service Commission, *et al*
Mark Crosswhite, Southern Companies
Scott Blaising, Sacramento Municipal Utility District

12:35–1:45 Lunch Break

1:45–3:00 Standard or Flexible Pro Forma Tariffs

Panelists will address whether the Commission should require a specific detailed tariff for all

utilities so as to develop standardized terms and conditions that facilitate use of a RIN, or should allow flexibility for regional or individual utility tariffs. Panelists will also discuss the value of having separate tariffs for network and point-to-point services, versus having one tariff covering all firm and non-firm services. Panelists will have 5 minutes each to make a presentation, followed by a discussion period.

Steven Metague, Pacific Gas & Electric Company

Diane Barney, New York Public Service Commission

John Adragna, NEPOOL Review Committee, *et al*

Katherine Sasseville, Otter Tail Power Company

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3:00–3:15 Break

3:15–4:30 Other Tariff Issues

Panelists will address issues not covered by prior panels, such as credit for transmission facilities, credit for generation facilities, and allocation of interface capacity. Panelists will have 5 minutes each to make a presentation, followed by a discussion period.

Charles Falcone, American Electric Power Company

Anis Sherali, Southern Engineering

Terry Callender, Coalition for a Competitive Electric Market

Rodger Weaver, PacifiCorp

John McGuire, Transmission Agency of Northern California

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Office of the Legal Adviser

22 CFR Part 181

[Public Notice 2269]

Coordination and Reporting of International Agreements: Determination Not To Publish Certain Agreements

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is proposing to issue regulations providing that certain international agreements other than treaties will not be published in *United States Treaties and Other International Agreements* or in the

Treaties and Other International Acts Series.

DATES: Consideration will be given only to comments received on or before December 22, 1995.

ADDRESSES: An original and three copies of comments should be sent to the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Office of the Legal Adviser, Department of State, Washington, DC 20520.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karen Ghaffarkhan or Wynne Teel, Office of the Legal Adviser, (202) 647–2044.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Until 1994, the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. Sec. 112a, directed the Department of State to publish in *United States Treaties and Other International Agreements* “all treaties to which the United States is a party * * * and all international agreements other than treaties to which the United States is a party.” See 1 U.S.C. Sec. 112a.

Due to resource constraints, the Department of State has been unable to publish agreements promptly. The Department’s experience, however, has been that public requests have been received for very few of the unpublished agreements. In many instances the agreements that have not been published are printed by private publishers. In other cases, agreements may not be of interest to the public because they address narrow, technical subjects.

In view of these considerations, Congress enacted Public Law 102–236 in 1994, to amend the Case-Zablocki Act by authorizing the Secretary of State to “determine that publication of certain categories of agreements is not required if the following criteria are met:

(1) Such agreements are not treaties which have been brought into force for the United States after having received Senate advice and consent pursuant to section 2(2) of Article II of the Constitution of the United States;

(2) The public interest in such agreements is insufficient to justify their publication, because (A) as of the date of enactment of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1994 and 1995, the agreements are no longer in force; (B) the agreements do not create private rights or duties, or establish standards intended to govern government action in the treatment of private individuals; (C) in view of the limited or specialized nature of the public interest in such agreements, such interest can adequately be satisfied by an alternative means; or (D) the public

disclosure of the text of the agreement would, in the opinion of the President, be prejudicial to the national security of the United States; and

(3) Copies of such agreements (other than those in paragraph (2)(D)), including certified copies where necessary for litigation or other purposes, will be made available by the Department of State upon request.”

This statute requires that any such determination be published in the Federal Register.

Discussion

The Department of State has determined that the categories of international agreements set forth below meet the criteria of Public Law 102–236 as set forth above. Non-publication of the following categories of agreements will substantially eliminate the existing publication backlog, thus permitting future agreements to be published in a more timely manner. Moreover, in selecting the following categories, the Department has focussed on a few areas that have a large volume of agreements that do not appear to be of general public interest or are frequently revised and readily available from private sources. The categories of bilateral agreements that the Department proposes not to publish and the reasons for selection of those agreements are as follows:

—*Debt Rescheduling Agreements* adjust the schedules for payment of principal and interest and arrearages owed by foreign governments to the United States Government. Since these agreements concern only governmental debt, there has been very limited indication of public interest.

—*Textile Agreements* are undertaken pursuant to section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended. Before the entry into force of the World Trade Organization (“WTO”) Agreement on Textiles and Clothing on January 1, 1995, the United States limited the export of textile and apparel products in some instances through bilateral textile agreements. Now, the United States’ arrangements with WTO member countries are governed by the WTO Agreement on Textiles and Clothing, leaving approximately ten bilateral textile agreements in force with countries that are not members of WTO. A few additional agreements may be concluded with countries that have not joined the WTO. Copies of these agreements are made available upon entry into force by the Economic and Business Bureau of the Department of State.