

21. Virginia Electric and Power Company

[Docket No. ER96-648-000]

Take notice that on December 21, 1995, Virginia Electric and Power Company (Virginia Power), tendered for filing an amendment to the contract for the purchase of electricity for resale (the Amendment) between Virginia Power and Old Dominion Electric Cooperative (Old Dominion). The Amendment provides for the continuation of the partial requirements service previously received by Old Dominion with certain changes in the terms and conditions. The principal changes involve defining specific exceptions to Old Dominion's partial requirements service and pricing a portion of Old Dominion's capacity requirements based on the costs of peaking capacity.

Virginia Power requests that the Amendment become effective on the commercial operation date of Clover Unit 2, a generating station jointly constructed and owned by Virginia Power and Old Dominion, or December 31, 1996, whichever occurs first.

Virginia Power states that copies of the filing have been served upon Old Dominion, the Virginia State Corporation Commission, and the North Carolina Utilities Commission.

*Comment date:* January 19, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

22. Arizona Public Service Company

[Docket No. ER96-649-000]

Take notice that on December 21, 1995, Arizona Public Service Company (APS), tendered for filing a Service Agreement under APS-FERC Electric Tariff Original Volume No. 1 (APS Tariff) with the following entity:

Industrial Energy Applications, Inc.

A copy of this filing has been served on the above listed entity and the Arizona Corporation Commission.

*Comment date:* January 19, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

23. Appalachian Power Company

[Docket No. ER96-650-000]

Take notice that on December 21, 1995, Appalachian Power Company (APCo), tendered for filing with the Commission proposed modification to its Rate Schedule FPC No. 23. The modifications are designated to provide back-up and maintenance service to Kingsport Power Company (KgPCo).

APCo proposes an effective date of February 1, 1996, and states that a copy of its filing was served on KgPCo and the Tennessee Public Service Commission.

*Comment date:* January 19, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

24. UtiliCorp United Inc.

[Docket No. ER96-651-000]

Take notice that on December 21, 1995, UtiliCorp United Inc., tendered for filing on behalf of its operating division, WestPlains Energy-Kansas, a Service Agreement under its Power Sales Tariff, FERC Electric Tariff Original Volume No. 12, with *Heartland Energy Services*. The Service Agreement provides for the sale of capacity and energy by WestPlains Energy-Kansas to *Heartland Energy Services* pursuant to the tariff, and for the sale of capacity and energy by *Heartland Energy Services* to WestPlains Energy-Kansas pursuant to *Heartland Energy Services'* Rate Schedule No. 1.

UtiliCorp also has tendered for filing a Certificate of Concurrence by *Heartland Energy Services*.

UtiliCorp requests waiver of the Commission's regulations to permit the Service Agreement to become effective in accordance with its terms.

*Comment date:* January 19, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

25. UtiliCorp United Inc.

[Docket No. ER96-652-000]

Take notice that on December 21, 1995, UtiliCorp United Inc. tendered for filing on behalf of its operating division, WestPlains Energy-Colorado, a Service Agreement under its Power Sales Tariff, FERC Electric Tariff Original Volume No. 11, with *Heartland Energy Services*. The Service Agreement provides for the sale of capacity and energy by WestPlains Energy-Colorado to *Heartland Energy Services* pursuant to the tariff, and for the sale of capacity and energy by *Heartland Energy Services* to WestPlains Energy-Colorado pursuant to *Heartland Energy Services* Rate Schedule No. 1.

UtiliCorp also has tendered for filing a Certificate of Concurrence by *Heartland Energy Services*.

UtiliCorp requests waiver of the Commission's regulations to permit the Service Agreement to become effective in accordance with its terms.

*Comment date:* January 19, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraph

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, 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 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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[Docket No. ER96-653-000, et al.]

**Virginia Electric and Power Company, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings**

January 11, 1996.

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

1. Virginia Electric and Power Company

[Docket No. ER96-653-000]

Take notice that on December 21, 1995, Virginia Electric and Power Company (Virginia Power), tendered for filing a Service Agreement between Atlantic City Electric and Virginia Power, dated November 6, 1995, under the Power Sales Tariff to Eligible Purchasers dated May 27, 1994. Under the tendered Service Agreement Virginia Power agrees to provide services to Atlantic City Electric under the rates, terms and conditions of the Power Sales Tariff as agreed by the parties pursuant to the terms of the applicable Service Schedules included in the Power Sales Tariff.

Copies of this filing were served upon the Virginia State Corporation Commission, the North Carolina Utilities Commission and the State of New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

*Comment date:* January 25, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. Florida Power & Light Company

[Docket No. ER96-654-000]

Take notice that on December 21, 1995, Florida Power & Light Company (FPL), tendered for filing a proposed Service Agreement with Electric Clearinghouse, Inc. for transmission service under FPL's Transmission Tariff No. 3.

FPL requests that the proposed Service Agreement be permitted to

become effective on January 1, 1996, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

FPL states that this filing is in accordance with Part 35 of the Commission's Regulations.

*Comment date:* January 25, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

3. Catex Vitol Electric, L.L.C.

[Docket No. ER96-656-000]

Take notice that on December 21, 1995, Catex Vitol Electric, L.L.C. (CVE), tendered for filing a letter from the Executive Committee of the Western Systems Power Pool (WSPP) indicating that CVE had completed all the steps for pool membership. CVE requests that the Commission amend the WSPP Agreement to include it as a member.

CVE requests an effective date of December 21, 1995, for the proposed amendment. Accordingly, CVE requests

waiver of the Commission's notice requirements for good cause shown.

Copies of the filing were served upon counsel for the WSPP and the WSPP Executive Committee.

*Comment date:* January 25, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

4. Boston Edison Company

[Docket No. ER96-657-000]

Take notice that on December 22, 1995, Boston Edison Company (Edison), filed a standstill agreement between itself and Reading Municipal Lighting Department (Reading) tolling the one-year claims limitation provision in Reading's Pilgrim power purchase contract with regard to disputes over the 1994 true-up bill. The purpose of the standstill agreement is to allow the parties to negotiate a settlement agreement regarding billing disputes

regarding the true-up bill for 1994. The standstill agreement makes no other changes to the rates, terms and conditions of the contract between Reading and Edison.

*Comment date:* January 25, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

5. Boston Edison Company

[Docket No. ER96-658-000]

Take notice that on December 22, 1995, Boston Edison Company (Boston Edison) of Boston, Massachusetts, in connection with Financial Accounting Standards No. 106 recognition of Postretirement Benefits Other than Pensions (PBOPs) on an accrual basis, tendered for filing a 1995 actuarial report and revised rate schedule supplements to its following contracts for the sale of power from the Pilgrim nuclear power plant.

Utility	Rate schedule No.	Entitlement (per cent)
Commonwealth Electric Co .....	68	11.00000
Montaup Electric Co .....	69	11.00000
Boylston .....	77	.07463
Holyoke .....	79	.89552
Westfield .....	81	.22388
Hudson .....	83	.37313
Littleton .....	85	.14925
Marblehead .....	87	.14925
North Attleboro .....	89	.14925
Peabody .....	91	.22388
Shrewsbury .....	93	.37313
Templeton .....	95	.04478
Wakefield .....	97	.14925
West Boylston .....	99	.07463
Middleborough .....	102	.10448
Reading .....	113	.7462

The supplements ask the Commission for permission to use the 1995 actuarial study for actual 1995 billings and for estimated 1996 billings, and for permission to make future changes in PBOP's billings by filing annual actuarial data without filing a change in rate schedules. Boston Edison states that it has served the filing on each affected customer and on the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities.

*Comment date:* January 25, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

6. Bonneville Fuels Management Corporation

[Docket No. ER96-659-000]

Take notice that on December 22, 1995, Bonneville Fuels Management Corporation (BFMgt), tendered for filing an application for waivers and blanket approvals under various regulations of the Commission and for an order accepting its FERC Electric Rate

Schedule No. 1 to be effective on the date of the Commission's order accepting the Rate Schedule for filing.

BFMgt intends to engage in electric power and energy transactions as a marketer. In these transactions, BFMgt proposes to charge market-determined rates, mutually agreed upon by the parties. All sales and purchases will be arms-length transactions.

*Comment date:* January 25, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

7. Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.

[Docket No. ER96-660-000]

Take notice that on December 22, 1995, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (Con Edison), tendered for filing an agreement to provide interruptible transmission service for Koch Power Services, Inc. (KPSI).

Con Edison states that a copy of this filing has been served by mail upon KPSI.

*Comment date:* January 25, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

8. The Dayton Power and Light Company

[Docket No. ER96-661-000]

Take notice that on December 22, 1995, The Dayton Power and Light Company (Dayton), tendered for filing an executed Master Power Sales Agreement between Dayton and Northern Indiana Power Service Company (NIPSCO).

Pursuant to the rate schedules attached as Exhibit B to the Agreement, Dayton will provide to NIPSCO power and/or energy for resale.

*Comment date:* January 25, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

## 9. New England Power Company

[Docket No. ER96-662-000]

Take notice that on December 22, 1995, New England Power Company (NEP), tendered for filing a Supplement to its Service Agreement with Fitchburg Gas & Electric Light Company under NEP's FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 3.

*Comment date:* January 25, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

## 10. The Narragansett Electric Company

[Docket No. ER96-664-000]

Take notice that on December 22, 1995, The Narragansett Electric Company tendered for filing rate changes to its FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 1 for borderline sales.

*Comment date:* January 25, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

## Standard Paragraph

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, 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 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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[Docket No. CP96-57-000]

**Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed 1996 Zone EF Expansion Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues**

January 11, 1996.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the construction and operation of the facilities proposed in the 1996 Zone EF

Expansion Project.<sup>1</sup> This EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether an environmental impact statement is necessary and whether to approve the project.

## Summary of the Proposed Project

Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern) wants to expand the capacity of its facilities in Minnesota and Wisconsin to transport an additional 46,400 million British thermal units per day of natural gas to six local distribution companies. Northern seeks authority to:

- Abandon the 10,600-horsepower (hp) Owatonna Compressor Station in Steele County, Minnesota and construct and operate a new 10,600-hp Faribault Compressor Station in Rice County, Minnesota;
- Extend its 30-inch-diameter "C-line" loop by about 2.24 miles in Washington County, Minnesota;
- Increase the capacity of its Elk River system by extending the existing 20-inch-diameter Elk River branchline loop in two areas for a total of about 3.30 miles in Anoka County, Minnesota;
- Construct about 14.52 miles of 6-inch-diameter tie-over connecting the Paynesville and the Watkins branchlines in Stearns County, Minnesota;
- Install: (a) about 3.07 miles of 4-inch-diameter St. Michael branchline loop in Wright County, Minnesota; (b) about 5.01 miles of 8-inch-diameter Princeton branchline loop in Mile Lacs and Sherburne Counties, Minnesota; and (c) about 1.96 miles of 4-inch-diameter Monticello branchline loop in Wright County, Minnesota;
- Modify three meter stations in Anoka County, Minnesota and two meter stations in Wright County, Minnesota; and
- Modify a meter station in St. Croix County, Wisconsin and one meter station in Buffalo County, Wisconsin.

The general location of the project facilities are shown in appendix 1.<sup>2</sup>

## Land Requirements for Construction

Construction of the proposed facilities would require about 306 acres of land. Following construction, about 4 acres would be maintained as new above

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

<sup>2</sup> The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the Federal Register. Copies are available from the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, or call (202) 208-1371. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail.

ground facility sites. The remaining 290 acres of land would be restored and allowed to revert to its former use.

## The EA Process

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impacts that could result from an action whenever it considers the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. NEPA also requires us to discover and address concerns the public may have about proposals. We call this "scoping". The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the EA on the important environmental issues. By this Notice of Intent, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of the issues it will address in the EA. All comments received are considered during the preparation of the EA. State and local government representatives are encouraged to notify their constituents of this proposed action and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

The EA will discuss impacts that could occur as a result of the construction and operation of the proposed project under these general headings:

- Geology and soils
- Water resources, fisheries, and wetlands
- Vegetation and wildlife
- Endangered and threatened species
- Public safety
- Land use
- Cultural resources
- Air quality and noise
- Hazardous waste

We will also evaluate possible alternatives to the proposed project or portions of the project, and make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid impacts on the various resource areas.

Our independent analysis of the issues will be in the EA. Depending on the comments received during the scoping process, the EA may be published and mailed to Federal, state, and local agencies, public interest groups, interested individuals, affected landowners, newspapers, libraries, and the Commission's official service list for this proceeding. A comment period will be allotted for review if the EA is published. We will consider all comments on the EA before we recommend that the Commission approve or not approve the project.

## Currently Identified Environmental Issues

We have already identified several issues that we think deserve attention