

(Applicants), both at 3500 Park Lane, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 15275-1102, filed in a joint application under Sections 7 (c) and (b) of the Natural Gas Act, for authority to transfer facilities and services. Equitrans, L.P. requests a certificate authorizing it to acquire the facilities and perform the services of Equitrans, Inc. and to transport and sell natural gas for resale in interstate commerce in the same manner as conducted by Equitrans, Inc. Equitrans, Inc. requests companion authority to transfer all of its jurisdictional facilities, operations, and services to Equitrans, L.P. In addition, Equitrans, L.P. requests that it be substituted for Equitrans, Inc. in all pending proceedings in which Equitrans, Inc. is a party, all as more fully set forth in the Application. The Applicants request that authorization be made effective as of November 28, 1995.

Applicants state that on November 15, 1995, a Partnership Agreement formed Equitrans, L.P. The partnership is comprised of a general partner, ET Blue Grass Company, a subsidiary of ERI Investments, Inc., and a limited partner, Equitable Resources, Inc. Equitrans, Inc. seeks authority under Section 7(b) to transfer its jurisdictional facilities and operations to Equitrans, L.P. Equitrans, L.P. will adopt the tariff of Equitrans, Inc.

Applicants state that the sole purpose of their Application is to restructure the Equitrans, Inc. system operations as a natural gas company into the partnership of Equitrans, L.P.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to this application should, on or before June 14, 1996, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 or 385.214) and the regulations under the NGA (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 petition to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Section 7 and Section 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 is 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP96-530-000]

Great Lakes Gas Transmission Limited Partnership; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

May 24, 1996.

Take notice that on May 21, 1996, Great Lakes Limited Partnership (Great Lakes), One Woodward Avenue, Suite 1600, Detroit, Michigan, 48226, filed in Docket No. CP96-530-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, and 157.211) for approval to construct and operate a tap to serve its Boyne City-Petoskey meter station (station), located in Charlesvoix County, Michigan, under the blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP90-2053-000, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Great Lakes states that it will not provide any additional transportation service in connection with the proposed tap. Great Lakes indicates that the tap is designed to provide additional security and reliability for existing service utilizing the station. It is asserted that the proposed tap is complementary to Great Lakes' Security Loop I Project.

Any person or the Commission's Staff may, within 45 days of the issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214), a motion to intervene and pursuant to Section 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 activities 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 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. PR96-6-000]

Gulf States Pipeline Corporation; Notice of Petition for Rate Approval

May 24, 1996.

Take notice that on May 1, 1996, as corrected on May 10, 1996, Gulf States Pipeline Corporation (Gulf States) filed pursuant to Section 284.123(b)(2) of the Commission's Regulations, a petition for rate approval requesting that the Commission approve as fair and equitable a system-wide interruptible transportation rate of \$0.2637 per MMBtu, a firm reservation rate of \$4.6360 per MMBtu, and a firm commodity rate of \$0.1112 per MMBtu for transportation services performed under Section 311(a)(2) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978.

Gulf States states that it is an intrastate pipeline within the meaning of Section 2(16) of the NGPA and it owns and operates an intrastate pipeline system in the State of Louisiana. Gulf States proposes an effective date of May 1, 1996.

Pursuant to Section 284.123(b)(2)(ii) of the Commission's Regulations, if the Commission does not act within 150 days of the filing date, the rates will be deemed to be fair and equitable and not in excess of an amount which interstate pipelines would be permitted to charge for similar transportation services. The Commission may, prior to the expiration of the 150-day period, extend the time for action or institute a proceeding to afford parties an opportunity for written comments and for the oral presentation of views, data, and arguments.

Any person desiring to participate in this rate proceeding must file a motion to intervene in accordance with Sections 385.211 and 385.214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures. All motions must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission on or before June 10, 1996. 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