

blower at the highest temperature. If the fan control is permitted to start the blower, measure time delay (t-) using a stop watch. Record the measured temperatures. During the heat-up test for oil-fueled furnaces, maintain the draft in the flue pipe within  $\pm 0.01$  inch of water column of the manufacturer's recommended on-period draft.

This Interim Waiver is based upon the presumed validity of statements and all allegations submitted by the company. This Interim Waiver may be removed or modified at any time upon a determination that the factual basis underlying the Application is incorrect.

The Interim Waiver shall remain in effect for a period of 180 days or until DOE acts on the Petition for Waiver, whichever is sooner, and may be extended for an additional 180-day period, if necessary.

Rheem's Petition for Waiver requests DOE to grant relief from the DOE furnace test procedure relating to the blower time delay specification. Rheem seeks to test using a blower delay time of 12 seconds for its GLH downflow and GPH upflow/horizontal series furnaces instead of the specified 1.5-minute delay between burner on-time and blower on-time. Pursuant to paragraph (b) of Title 10 CFR Part 430.27, DOE is hereby publishing the "Petition for Waiver" in its entirety. The Petition contains no confidential information. The Department solicits comments, data, and information respecting the Petition.

Issued in Washington, DC, September 19, 1996.

Christine A. Ervin,  
*Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.*

Rheem Manufacturing Company

August 28, 1996.

Mr. Cyrus Nasserri,  
*Assistant Secretary, Conservation and Renewable Energy, United States Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20585.*

Dear Mr. Nasserri: This is a petition for waiver and application for interim waiver submitted pursuant to title 10 CFR Part 430.27 Waiver is requested from the furnace test procedure as prescribed in appendix N to Subpart B of Part 430. The test procedure requires a 1.5 minute delay between burner and blower start-up. Rheem is requesting authorization to use a 12 second delay instead of 1.5 minutes for our series (-)GLH downflow, and (-)GPH upflow/horizontal residential gas-fired furnaces utilizing General Electric type ICM2+ main blower motors.

Rheem will be manufacturing these appliances with an electronic device that controls the blower operation on a timing sequence as opposed to temperature.

Improved energy efficiency is achieved by reducing on cycle losses. Under the Appendix N procedures, the stack temperature is allowed to climb at a faster rate than it would with a 12 second blower on time, allowing energy to be lost out of the vent system. This waste of energy would not occur in actual operation. If this petition is granted, the true blower on time delay would be used in the calculations.

The current test procedures do not give Rheem credit for the energy savings which averages approximately 2% Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency (AFUE). This improvement is an average reduction of 20% of the normal on cycle energy losses. Rheem is of the opinion that a 20% reduction is a worthwhile energy savings.

Rheem has been granted previous waivers regarding blower on time to be used in the efficiency calculations for our (-)GEB and (-)GKA series condensing furnaces and/or (-)GDE, (-)GLE, (-)GDG, (-)GLG, (-)GPH, (-)GLH, (-)GVH, and (-)GVG series furnaces. Several other manufacturers of gas furnaces have also been granted a waiver to permit calculations based on timed blower operation. Also, ASHRAE Standard 103-1993, paragraph 9.5.1.2.2 specifically addresses the use of a timed blower operation.

Confidential and comparative test data is available to you upon your request, confirming the above energy savings.

Manufacturers that domestically market similar products are being sent a copy of this petition for waiver and petition for interim waiver.

Sincerely,  
Daniel J. Canclini,  
*Vice-President, Product Development and Research Engineering.*

bcc: B.A. Cook, K.W. Kleman, R.W. Willis  
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### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER96-2372-000]

### Enova Energy, Inc.; Notice of Issuance of Order

September 24, 1996.

Enova Energy, Inc. (Enova) filed an application for authorization to sell power at market-based rates, and for certain waivers and authorizations. In particular, Enova requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liabilities by Enova. On September 9, 1996, the Commission issued an Order Conditionally Accepting For Filing Proposed Market-Based Rates, Granting Waivers and Authorizations and Consolidating Proceedings (Order), in the above-docketed proceeding.

The Commission's September 9, 1996 Order granted the request for blanket

approval under part 34, subject to the conditions found in Ordering Paragraphs (F), (G), and (I):

(F) Within 30 days of the date of this order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the Commission's blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities by Enova should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214.

(G) Absent a request to be heard within the period set forth in Ordering Paragraph (F) above, Enova is hereby authorized to issue securities and to assume obligations or liabilities as guarantor, endorser, surety or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issue or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of Enova, compatible with the public interest, and reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

(I) The Commission reserves the right to modify this order to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued Commission approval of Enova's issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities. \* \* \*

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is October 9, 1996.

Copies of the full text of the Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

Lois D. Cashell,  
*Secretary.*  
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[Docket No. ER96-2860-000]

### Northern States Power Company; Notice of Filing

September 23, 1996.

Take notice that on August 27, 1996, Northern States Power Company tendered for filing revised tariff sheets in compliance with the recommendation by the Division of Audits of the Office of Chief Accountant, in Docket No. FA95-5-000 reflecting the removal of ineligible fuel costs from the base and monthly fuel components in adopting recommended corrective actions, as stated in the audit report dated January 16, 1996.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion