

with the Commission and open to public inspection.¹

Panhandle proposes to abandon by transfer to Field Services approximately 5.6 miles of 8-inch pipeline and related facilities. Panhandle states that upon approval of the requested abandonment, the facilities will be operated as part of Field Services' gathering system. Panhandle states that the facilities proposed to be abandoned are being transferred for \$227,035, which is the net book value.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before August 21, 1997, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 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) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (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 motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 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 permission and approval for the proposed abandonment are 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 Panhandle to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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¹ Field Services has filed a related petition for declaratory order in Docket No. CP97-671-000.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-671-000]

Panhandle Field Services Company; Notice Of Petition For Declaratory Order

July 31, 1997.

Take notice that on July 29, 1997, Panhandle Field Services Company (Field Services),¹ 370 Seventeenth Street, Suite 900, Denver, Colorado 80202, filed in Docket No. CP97-671-000 a petition pursuant to Section 16 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), and Rule 207(a)(2) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.207(a)(2)), for a declaratory order disclaiming Commission jurisdiction over certain facilities to be acquired from Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company (Panhandle),² an affiliate, and the services provided through them, all as more fully set forth in the petition which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Field Services seeks a declaratory order from the Commission finding that:

(1) At the time of transfer, from Panhandle to Field Services, approximately 5.6 miles of 8-inch pipeline located between Field Services' Spooney Booster Station (Spooney Booster) and Panhandle's Hansford Compressor Station (Hansford Compressor) in Hansford County, Texas (Spooney 8-Inch Line) described in the petition would be facilities used for the gathering of natural gas exempt from Commission jurisdiction under Section 1(b) of the NGA.

(2) Field Services would not be a "natural-gas company" pursuant to Section 2(6) of the NGA by virtue of its proposed acquisition, ownership and operation of the facilities.

(3) The gathering services that Field Services seeks to perform as described in its petition would be exempt from the Commission's jurisdiction under Section 1(b) of the NGA; and

(4) Field Services' rates and charges for gathering services would not be subject to Sections 4 and 5 of the NGA.

Field Services proposes to operate the Spooney 8-Inch Line as a gas gatherer providing gathering and related services between the Hansford Compressor and the Spooney Booster. Currently the Spooney 8-Inch Line moves gas from the

¹ Field Services is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company, and owns gathering and processing assets in the states of Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

² Panhandle has filed a related abandonment application in Docket No. CP97-672-000.

Spooney Booster to the Hansford Compressor and parallels a Panhandle 6-inch line. Upon acquisition of the Spooney 8-inch Line, Field Services states that it will physically disconnect the Spooney 8-Inch Line from the Hansford Compressor. Field Services states that it will use the line to gather gas from points to be constructed along its length and deliver the gathered gas through the Spooney Booster for delivery to Panhandle via the existing 6-inch line. Field Services states that it does not propose to engage in the sale or transportation of natural gas in any manner which would subject it to the Commission's jurisdiction under the NGA.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said petition should on or before August 21, 1997, 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 384.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (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 motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP97-664-000]

Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

July 31, 1997.

Take notice that on July 24, 1997, Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation (Texas Eastern), 5400 Westheimer Court, Houston, Texas 77056-5310, filed a request with the Commission in Docket No. CP97-664-000, pursuant to Sections 157.205, and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for authorization to construct a delivery point in Fulton County, Pennsylvania, so that Texas Eastern may provide natural gas deliveries to Penn Fuel Gas, Inc. (Penn

Fuel), a local distribution company and an existing Texas Eastern customer authorized in blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-535-000, all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Texas Eastern proposes to construct and install a 4-inch tap valve and a 4-inch check valve on Texas Eastern's existing 36-inch Line No. 2 at approximate Mile Post 1263.41 in Fulton County, Pennsylvania (Tap). In addition Penn Fuel will install a dual 3-inch meter run (Meter Station), approximately 50 feet of 4-inch pipeline which would extend from the Meter Station to the Tap, and electronic gas measurement equipment. Texas Eastern states that Penn Ford would reimburse Texas Eastern for 100% of the costs and expenses that Texas Eastern would incur for installing the facilities. The costs and expenses are estimated to be approximately \$148,000 including an allowance for federal income taxes.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after the Commission has issued this notice, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the allowed time, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 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 NGA.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-395-001]

Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation; Notice of Compliance Filing

July 31, 1997.

Take notice that on July 28, 1997, Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation (Texas Eastern) tendered for filing additional information requested by the Commission on Texas Eastern's June 12, 1997, filing in Docket No. RP97-395-000 to ultimately replace an exchange

service currently provided by Koch Gateway Pipeline Company with firm and interruptible transportation service by PanEnergy Louisiana Intrastate Company pursuant to Section 311 of the NGPA.

Texas Eastern asserts that the purpose of this filing is to comply with the Commission's letter order dated July 11, 1997, in Docket No. RP97-395-000 (July 11 Order). In the July 11 Order, the Commission accepted Texas Eastern's tariff filing subject to refund and subject to Texas Eastern's tariff filing subject to refund and subject to Texas Eastern providing further explanation of the proposed service.

Texas Eastern states that copies of the filing were served on all firm customers of Texas Eastern and interested state commissions. Texas Eastern also states that it served copies on all parties to the proceeding and that the July 11, Order provided that parties are permitted to file comments within 10 days of this compliance filing if they continue to have concerns with the filing.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. 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. 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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER97-3205-000]

Utilicorp United, Inc.; Notice of Filing

July 31, 1997.

Take notice that on July 23, 1997, Utilicorp United, Inc., tendered for filing an amendment in the above-referenced docket.

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, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211

and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before August 12, 1997. 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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-160-004]

Western Gas Interstate Company; Notice of Tariff Filing

July 31, 1997.

Take notice that on July 29, 1997, Western Gas Interstate Company (WGI) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fourth Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, to be effective June 20, 1997:

Second Revised Sheet No. 247

First Revised Sheet No. 248

WGI states that the filing reflects the removal of certain standards of the Gas Industry Standards Board (GISB) pertaining to electronic data interchange, electronic delivery mechanisms, and related capacity release standards adopted by the Commission in Order No. 587, et seq. WGI states that, by Notice issued June 20, 1997, it was granted an extension of time to and including June 1, 1998 to explore alternatives for practical implementation of these standards.

WGI states that copies of the filing were served upon its customers and upon the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Any persons desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with § 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed as provided in § 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding.