

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP97-92-001]

Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Site Visit

October 17, 1997.

On October 28, 1997, beginning at 2:00 p.m., the Office of Pipeline Regulation (OPR) staff will conduct a site inspection of the onshore facilities of Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation's Mobile Bay Lateral Extension and Expansion Project in Mobile County, Alabama. The first proposed facility to be visited will be compressor station 83, near the city of Citronelle. In the morning of the following day we will see the Coden area facilities.

All parties may attend. Those planning to attend must provide their own transportation and should meet the staff at the JR Food Mart in Citronelle at the intersection of Jefferies Highway (Route 96) and US 45.

For further information, please contact Paul McKee at (202) 208-1088.

Robert J. Cupina,*Deputy Director, Office of Pipeline Regulation.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. TM98-1-126-001]

Tuscarora Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Compliance Filing

October 17, 1997.

Take notice that on October 15, 1997, Tuscarora Gas Transmission Company (Tuscarora) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, Sub First Revised Sheet No. 5, to become effective October 1, 1997.

Tuscarora states that the filing is being made in compliance with the Commission's Order dated September 29, 1997. Tuscarora asserts that the purpose of this filing is to eliminate the volumetric charge for capacity release from the IT rate sheet.

Tuscarora states that copies of this filing were mailed to all parties on the service list, customers of Tuscarora and interested state regulatory agencies.

Any person desiring to protest this 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. CP90-1849-006]

The Washington Water Power Company; Notice of Application To Amend Order

October 17, 1997.

Take notice that on October 10, 1997, The Washington Water Power Company (Water Power), East 1411 Mission Avenue, Spokane, Washington 99202, filed in Docket No. CP90-1849-006, an application under Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act to amend its existing certificate to allow for the continuation, for a limited term, of the release of a portion of its Jackson Prairie Underground Storage Project deliverability and capacity to Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (Cascade), all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Water Power states that it first entered into an Agreement dated July 23, 1990, entitled "Release of Jackson Prairie Storage Capacity" (Release Agreement) which called for the release by Water Power to Cascade of 150,000 therms per day of firm deliverability, 55,328 therms per day of best efforts deliverability, and 4,800,000 therms of seasonal capacity, for a five-year term ending on April 30, 1995. Water Power further states that the Commission issued an order on November 23, 1990, providing the necessary certificate and abandonment authority to Water Power and Northwest Pipeline Corporation, in order to effectuate the original release to Cascade (53 FERC ¶ 61,238).

Water Power explains that Water Power and Cascade sought to continue the release of the deliverability and capacity for an additional limited term expiring on April 30, 1998, with

pregranted abandonment (First Amendment to the Release Agreement), with the same terms and conditions as were previously approved by the Commission. On October 16, 1995, the Commission issued an order in Docket No. CP90-1849-003 (73 FERC ¶ 61,080) amending the certificate to continue the release for a limited term.

Water Power states that Water Power and Cascade, by means of a Second Amendment to the Release Agreement, have elected to again continue the release of the deliverability and capacity for an additional three-year term expiring on April 30, 2001, with pregranted abandonment, with the same terms and conditions as were previously approved by the Commission. Water Power further states that this application simply seeks an amended certificate authority to allow this three-year extension to occur.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before November 7, 1997, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, 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 385.214 or 385.211) 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 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 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 Water Power to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. OA96-79-001]

Wisconsin Public Service Corporation; Notice of Filing

October 17, 1997.

Take notice that on August 15, 1997 Wisconsin Public Service Corporation tendered for filing revised indices of its service agreements under its open access transmission tariff pursuant to the Commission's order in Allegheny Power System, Inc., 80 FERC ¶ 61,143 (1997).

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 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before October 27, 1997. 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. 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. EC98-3-000, et al.]

Black Hills Corporation, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

October 16, 1997.

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

1. Black Hills Corporation

[Docket No. EC98-3-000]

Take notice that on October 9, 1997, Black Hills Corporation, which operates

its electric utility under the assumed name of Black Hills Power and Light Company (BHC), pursuant to Section 203(a) of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 824b, tendered for filing an application for an order authorizing BHC (i) to sell an undivided interest in the Yellow Creek-to-Osage 230 kV Addition (approximately 43.18 miles of 230 kV electric transmission line located in Lawrence County, South Dakota, referred to herein as the 230 kV Addition) to Basin Electric Power Cooperative (BEPC), a rural electric generation and transmission cooperative; and (ii) to sell an undivided interest in the Spearfish-to-Yellow Creek 69 kV Underbuild (approximately 5.7 miles of 69 kV electric transmission line underbuild located in Lawrence County, South Dakota, referred to herein as the 69 kV Underbuild) to Black Hills Electric Cooperative, Inc. (BHEC), and Butte Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (BEC), both rural electric distribution cooperatives. The 230 kV Addition and the 69 kV Underbuild are new additions to BHC's 230 kV and 69 kV transmission systems which are used by BHC, BEPC, BHEC and BEC to serve their respective customers in the transmission area consisting of the Black Hills area of western South Dakota, the northeastern area of Wyoming and a small area in southeastern Montana.

BHC has requested that further notice be waived and the application be expedited.

Comment date: October 29, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. Louisville Gas and Electric Company, LG&E Energy Marketing Inc., and Kentucky Utilities Company

[Docket Nos. EC98-2-000 and ER98-111-000]

Take notice that on October 9, 1997, Louisville Gas and Electric Company (LG&E) and LG&E Energy Marketing Inc. (LEM), on behalf of themselves and their non-utility parent holding company, LG&E Energy Corp. (LEC), and Kentucky Utilities Company (KU), on behalf of itself and its non-utility parent holding company, KU Energy Corporation (KEC) (LG&E, LEM and KU, being hereinafter referred to collectively as the Applicants), tendered for filing pursuant to Section 203 of the Federal Power Act (the FPA), 16 U.S.C. 824b, Part 33 of the Commission's Regulations, 18 CFR Part 33, and 18 CFR 2.26, an Application for an order approving the proposed merger of LG&E's non-utility holding company parent, LEC, with KU's non-utility holding company parent, KEC, and any consequent transfer of control over KU,

LG&E, and LEM resulting from such merger.

Applicants state that pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of May 20, 1997, KEC will merge into LEC, with LEC surviving the merger and KEC ceasing to exist. After consummation of the merger, KU will become, and LG&E and LEM will remain, wholly-owned subsidiaries of LEC. The merger will result in no sale, assignment, pledge, or transfer of LG&E's or LEM's public utility assets or franchises. Subject to Commission approval, at the time of the merger KU and LG&E will enter into: (1) A Power Supply System Agreement pursuant to which they will jointly dispatch their power supply resources, jointly plan for new generation, and establish the terms for intercompany exchanges of capacity and energy, and (2) a Transmission Coordination Agreement pursuant to which they will plan and operate their combined transmission facilities as a single integrated system. Simultaneous with this filing, the Applicants also filed with the Commission, pursuant to Section 205 of the FPA, a single system Open Access Transmission Tariff.

The Applicants state that they have submitted the information required by Part 33 of the Commission's Regulations, and by the Commission's Merger Policy Statement (Inquiry Concerning the Commission's Merger Policy Under the Federal Power Act; Policy Statement, Order No. 592, 61 FR 68,595 (1996), to be codified at 18 CFR 2.26), in support of the Application. The Applicants also represent that, as required by 18 CFR 33.6, copies of the Application and related testimony and exhibits have been served on each of the wholesale sales and firm transmission customers of LG&E and KU, and on the Kentucky Public Service Commission, the Virginia State Corporation Commission, and the Tennessee Regulatory Authority.

Comment date: December 8, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

3. Brooklyn Navy Yard Cogeneration Partners, L.P.

[Docket No. EG98-3-000]

On October 8, 1997, Brooklyn Navy Yard Cogeneration Partners, L.P., 366 Madison Avenue, Suite 1103, New York, New York 10017, filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an application for determination of exempt wholesale generator status pursuant to section 32(a)(1) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended by section 711 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992.