

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP98-573-000]

NorAm Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Application

June 5, 1998.

Take notice that on May 29, 1998, NorAm Gas Transmission Company (NGT), 525 Milam, P.O. Box 21734, Shreveport, Louisiana 71151, filed in Docket No. CP98-573-000 an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act for permission and approval to abandon two existing exchange agreements with Arkansas Western Gas Company (AWG) and the lease by NGT of 13.49 miles of 8-inch pipeline owned by AWG, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

NGT proposes to abandon exchange transactions dated October 25, 1951 (1951 Exchange) and December 10, 1964 (1964 Exchange) with AWG. NGT states that the 1951 Exchange involved the receipt of gas by NGT at 67 receipt points in Sebastian and Franklin Counties, Arkansas. NGT declares they redelivered the gas to AWG's intrastate pipeline facilities in the Clarksville Field in Johnson County, and at various other delivery points on NGT's facilities in Johnson, Logan, and Franklin Counties, Arkansas.

NGT states the 1964 Exchange involved the receipt of gas by NGT at 76 points of receipt in Franklin, Logan, Crawford, Sebastian, and Pope Counties, Arkansas. NGT declares that they redelivered the gas to AWG at 33 points in Franklin, Johnson, Logan, and Crawford Counties, Arkansas.

In addition to the abandonment of its exchange transactions with AWG, NGT also proposes to abandon its operational lease of 13.49 miles of 8-inch pipeline located in Northwest Arkansas (designated by NGT as Line BM-15-EXT). NGT declares that there is no longer a need for these transactions and they have been terminated by the written consent of both parties. NGT states that although an outstanding imbalance remains under these transactions, the parties have reduced the exchange imbalance significantly since April 1, 1997, and have agreed on a schedule for repayment by in-kind deliveries to resolve the remaining imbalance.

NGT states that the requested abandonment will not affect NGT's ability to continue to render certificated transportation service to its customers.

NGT declares that although one active receipt point is currently located along the leased line, NGT has no current firm service obligations with respect to use of this facility.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said Application should on or before June 26, 1998, 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 385.211 or 18 CFR 385.214) 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 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 petition 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 abandonment is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a petition 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.

David P. Boergers,*Acting Secretary.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RP97-138-006]

Shell Gas Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

June 5, 1998.

Take notice that on June 2, 1997, Shell Gas Pipeline Company (SGPC)

tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, Third Revised Sheet No. 137, in compliance with the Commission's Orders in Docket Nos. RP97-138-000 & RP97-138-001 and RP97-264-000 issued March 6, 1997 and April 30, 1997 respectively.

SGPC states the purpose of the filing is to incorporate by reference the GISB standards related to the EDI and EDM requirements.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 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 proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

David P. Boergers,*Acting Secretary.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 1862-017]

City of Tacoma, Washington; Notice of Technical Conference

June 5, 1998.

Take notice that on Tuesday, June 30, 1998, at 9:00 a.m., the Commission Staff will convene a technical conference in the above captioned docket at the offices of Tacoma Public Utilities, Tacoma City Light Division, Auditorium Conference Room, Ground Floor, located at 3628 South 35th Street, Tacoma, Washington. Any party, as defined in 18 CFR 385.102(c) and any participant, as defined in 18 CFR 385.102(b) is invited to attend.

The purpose of the conference is to discuss issues raised on rehearing by the City of Tacoma and the Nisqually Indian Tribe including, but not limited to, license articles designed to enhance fish habitat in the bypassed channel below LaGrande dam.