

General Issues

A. Is the proposed collection of information necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency and does the information have practical utility? Practical utility is defined as the actual usefulness of information to or for an agency, taking into account its accuracy, adequacy, reliability, timeliness, and the agency's ability to process the information it collects.

B. What enhancements can EIA make to the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?

As a Potential Respondent

A. Are the instructions and definitions clear and sufficient? If not, which instructions require clarification?

B. Can data be submitted by the due date?

C. Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated to average 9 hours per response. Burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide the information.

Please comment on (1) the accuracy of our estimate and (2) how the agency could minimize the burden of the collection of information, including the use of information technology.

D. EIA estimates that respondents will incur no additional costs for reporting other than the hours required to complete the collection. What is the estimated: (1) total dollar amount annualized for capital and start-up costs, and (2) recurring annual costs of operation and maintenance, and purchase of services associated with this data collection?

E. Do you know of any other Federal, State, or local agency that collects similar data? If you do, specify the agency, the data element(s), and the methods of collection.

As a Potential User

A. Can you use data at the levels of detail indicated on the form?

B. For what purpose would you use the data? Be specific.

C. Are there alternate sources of data and do you use them? If so, what are their deficiencies and/or strengths?

D. Are there additional energy-savings technologies not already included on the MECS for which data on their penetration would be useful?

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of the form. They also will become a matter of public record.

Statutory Authority: Section 3506 (c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13).

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP98-680-000]

Koch Gateway Pipeline Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

July 28, 1998.

Take notice that on July 21, 1998, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company (Koch), P.O. Box 1478, Houston, Texas 77251-1478, filed in Docket No. CP98-680-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act for authorization to operate as a jurisdictional facility in interstate commerce a 2-inch tap and meter station previously installed, operated and placed in service under Section 311(a) of the Natural Gas Policy Act (NGPA) and Section 284.3(c) of the Commission's regulations. Koch make this request, all as more fully set forth in the request for authorization on file with the Commission and open for public inspection, under its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP92-430-000.¹

Koch states that the proposed certification of facilities will enable Koch to provide transportation services under its blanket transportation certificate through the tap and meter which connects Koch facilities to Integrated Services Inc. (ISI), an intrastate pipeline company, in Shelby County, Texas.

Koch further states it will operate the proposed facilities in compliance with 18 CFR Part 157, Subpart F, and that the proposed activities will not affect Koch's ability to serve its other existing customer.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by 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 Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefor, the proposed activity 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 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 Natural Gas Act.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP98-673-000]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

July 28, 1998.

Take notice that on July 16, 1998, Northern Natural Gas Company, (Applicant), P.O. Box 3330, Omaha, Nebraska, 68103-0330, filed in Docket No. CP98-673-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.212, and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.212, 157.216) for approval to upgrade three existing delivery points located in Wright, Carver, and Stearns Counties, Minnesota, to accommodate natural gas deliveries to Minnegasco, a division of NorAm Energy Corporation, (Minnegasco), under Applicant's blanket certificate issued in Docket Nos. CP82-401-000, 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.

Applicant proposes to upgrade these delivery points to accommodate natural gas deliveries to Minnegasco under currently effective throughput service agreements. Applicant asserts that Minnegasco has requested the upgrade of the existing delivery points to provide increased natural gas service to the Dayton, Waconia, and Cold Springs town border stations to meet peak day requirements. Applicant further states that the estimated incremental volumes proposed to be delivered to Minnegasco at these delivery points are 5,110 MMBtu on a peak day and 600,114 MMBtu on an annual basis. It is also indicated that the estimated cost to upgrade the delivery points is \$228,000.

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

¹ See, 20 FERC ¶ 62,416 (1982).