Valley buys electricity from BPA and then supplies it to the residences and businesses of these areas. Since the late 1980's, Lower Valley's electrical load has been growing and loads are expected to continue to grow. During winter, a transmission line outage could cause voltage on the transmission system to drop below acceptable levels causing brownouts or, under certain conditions, a blackout. The new 115-kilovolt transmission line proposed in the Agency Proposed Action will maintain voltage stability and accommodate load growth.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the ROD and Environmental Impact Statement may be obtained by calling BPA's toll-free document request line: 1–800–622–4520.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Issued in Portland, Oregon, on August 13, 1998.

J.A. Johansen,

Administrator and Chief Executive Officer. [FR Doc. 98–22523 Filed 8–20–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450–01–P

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-711-000]

Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

August 17, 1998.

Take notice that on August 6, 1998, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), 12801 Fair Lakes Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia 22030, filed in Docket No. CP98-711-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.211) for authorization to construct and operate a new point of delivery at the request of the City of Lancaster in Fairfield County, Ohio, under Columbia's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83-76-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Columbia states that the construction of the new delivery point has been requested by City of Lancaster for firm transportation service for residential, commercial and industrial service. City

of Lancaster has not requested an increase in its total firm entitlements in conjunction with this request. The estimated cost to construct the new point of delivery is \$23,164 and City of Lancaster will reimburse Columbia 100% for the cost. Columbia states that the estimated quantities of natural gas to be delivered at the new point of delivery is 15,000 Dth/day and 1,000,000 Mcf/annually. Interconnecting facilities will consist of a 6-inch tap and valve.

Columbia states that the new point of delivery will have no effect on peak day and annual deliveries, that its existing tariff does not prohibit addition of new delivery points and that deliveries will be accomplished without detriment of disadvantage to its other customers and that the total volumes delivered will not exceed total volumes authorized prior to this request.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, 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 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. EC96-19-039, et al.]

California Independent System Operator Corporation, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

August 14, 1998

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

1. California Independent System Operator Corporation

[Docket Nos. EC96-19-039 and ER96-1663-040]

On August 14, 1998, the California Independent System Operator Corporation (ISO), tendered for filing Amendment No. 11 to the ISO Tariff modifying provisions of the ISO Tariff and Protocols governing the ISO's procurement of Regulation, Spinning Reserve, Non-Spinning Reserve and Replacement Reserve services.

The ISO states that this filing has been served on all parties with effective Scheduling Coordinator Agreements, the ISO's Board of Governors, the California Public Utilities Commission, the California Electricity Oversight Board and all parties listed on the official service list in the Docket Nos. EL96–19, et al.

Comment date: August 28, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. Champion International Corporation, Bucksport Energy L.L.C. vs. ISO-New England, Inc., New England Power Pool, Central Maine Power Company

[Docket No. EL98-69-000]

Take notice that on August 7, 1998, Champion International Corporation and Bucksport Energy L.L.C. tendered for filing a complaint against ISO-New England, Inc., New England Power Pool (NEPOOL) and Central Maine Power Company concerning the development of a new cogeneration facility and interconnection thereof to the NEPOOL system.

Complainants also request expedited consideration of the issues raised and Commission action by September 16, 1998.

Comment date: September 8, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice. Answers to the complaint are also due on or before September 8, 1998.

3. CMS Marketing Services & Trading NP Energy Inc.

[Docket No. ER96–2350–014, Docket No. ER97–1315–007]

Take notice that the following informational filings have been made with the Commission and are on file and available for public inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room:

On July 29, 1998, CMS Marketing Services & Trading filed certain information as required by the Commission's September 6, 1997, order in Docket No. ER96–2350–000.

On July 29, 1998, NP Energy Inc. filed certain information as required by the Commission's February 24, 1997, order in Docket No. ER97–1315–000.

4. Northeast Utilities Service Company

[Docket No. ER98-3940-000]

Take notice that on July 28, 1998, Northeast Utilities Service Company