

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,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP99-47-000]

NorAm Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

November 12, 1998.

Take notice that on November 2, 1998, NorAm Gas Transmission Company (NorAm), 1111 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas 77210, filed in Docket No. CP99-47-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.211 and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.211, and 157.216) for authorization to abandon, construct, and operate certain facilities in Arkansas. NorAm makes such request under its blanket certificate issued in Docket Nos. CP82-384-000 and CP82-384-001 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the Commission.

NorAm proposes to abandon, by sale and transfer to Arkla, the facilities list below which are located in Lafayette and Columbia Counties, Arkansas. The facilities will be sold to Arkla at their net book value of \$140,931.73.

Specifically, NorAm proposes to sell to Arkla a 1.53 mile segment of Line AM-39 that serves the Town of Buckner, Arkansas and nine rural delivery taps. NorAm also proposes to abandon a 5.33 mile segment of Line AM-39, Line AM-42 in its entirety, and approximately 1.6 miles of Line AM-44 used to deliver gas to the Town of Waldo, Arkansas and eight rural delivery taps.

It is stated that Arkla will operate these facilities as part of its distribution system to provide low-pressure service to its existing customers. It is averred

that no service will be abandoned as a result of this proposed abandonment.

In conjunction with these abandonments, NorAm proposes to install a 2-inch meter station on Line AM-190 and a 3-inch meter station on Line AM-44 to continue deliveries to Arkla. NorAm estimates the cost to construct these two taps to be approximately \$13,076.

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.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulation Commission

[Docket No. RP99-144-000]

Northern Border Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

November 12, 1998.

Take notice that on November 6, 1998, Northern Border Pipeline Company (Northern Border) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets to become effective January 1, 1999:

Fourteenth Revised Sheet Number 156
Thirteenth Revised Sheet Number 157

Northern Border proposed to increase the Maximum Rate from 3.683 cents per 100 Dekatherm-Miles to 3.716 cents per 100 Dekatherm-Miles and to decrease the Minimum Revenue Credit from 1.535 cents per 100 Dekatherm-Miles to 1.463 cents per 100 Dekatherm-Miles. The revised Maximum Rate and Minimum Revenue Credit are being filed in accordance with Northern Border's Tariff provisions under Rate Schedule IT-1.

The herein proposed changes do not result in a change in Northern Border's total revenue requirement.

Northern Border states that copies of this filing have been sent to all of Northern Border's contracted shippers and interested state regulatory commissions.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with 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. 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 in the Public Reference Room.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-419-001]

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

November 12, 1998.

Take notice that on November 6, 1998, OkTex Pipeline Company (OkTex), filed the tariff sheets in compliance with the Commission's directives in Order No. 587-H.

OkTex states that the tariff sheets reflect the changes to OkTex's tariff that resulted from the Gas Industry Standards Board's (GISB) consensus standards that were adopted by the Commission in its July 15, 1998 Order No. 587-H in Docket No. RM96-1-008. OkTex further states that Order No. 587-H contemplates that OkTex will implement the GISB consensus standards for November 1998 business, and that the tariff sheets therefore reflect an effective date of November 2, 1998.

OkTex states that copies of the filing have been mailed to all affected customers and state regulatory commissions.

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 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,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP99-55-000]

Portland Natural Gas Transmission System; Notice of Application

November 12, 1998.

Take notice that on November 6, 1998, Portland Natural Gas Transmission System (PNGTS), One Harbour Place, Portsmouth, New Hampshire 03801, filed in Docket No. CP99-55-000, an application, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the construction and operation of pipeline facilities, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, PNGTS proposes to construct and operate a 4-inch diameter pipe that will extend three feet above ground and a 4-inch diameter valve and flange, near milepost 149.55 in Windham, Maine. PNGTS states that these facilities will be enclosed within a standard six-foot high and ten-foot square chain link fence located on PNGTS's permanent right-of-way. PNGTS expects to utilize these facilities to construct a delivery tap in Windham, Maine in the future to provide natural gas service. PNGTS is currently constructing its pipeline from the Canadian border to Portland, Maine. PNGTS contends that it is more efficient, less expensive, environmentally preferable, and safer to construct the proposed facilities during construction of the PNGTS pipeline rather than after the pipeline has been placed into operation. PNGTS states that

the estimated cost of the project is \$32,000.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before November 19, 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 and 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. The Commission's rules require that protestors provide copies of their protests to the party or parties directly involved. Any person wishing to become a party in any proceeding herein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's rules.

A person obtaining intervenor status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by every one of the intervenors. An intervenor can file for rehearing of any Commission order and can petition for court review of any such order. However, an intervenor must submit copies of comments or any other filing it makes with the Commission to every other intervenor in the proceeding, as well as 14 copies with the Commission.

A person does not have to intervene, however, in order to have comments considered. A person, instead, may submit two copies of comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of environmental documents and will be able to participate in meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission and will not have the right to seek rehearing or appeal the Commission's final order to a federal court.

The Commission will consider all comments and concerns equally, whether filed by commenters or those requesting intervenor status.

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 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 abandonments and a grant of the certificate 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 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 PNGTS to appear or to be represented at the hearing.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-140-000]

Questar Pipeline Company; Notice of Tariff Filing

November 12, 1998.

Take notice that on November 5, 1998, Questar Pipeline Company (Questar) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, with an effective date of January 1, 1999:

Ninth Revised Sheet Nos. 5 and 5A
Eighth Revised Sheet No. 40
Third Revised Sheet No. 90
Original Sheet No. 90A

Questar tendered this tariff filing in compliance with the Commission's April 29 order that approved the Stipulation and Agreement (S&A) filed by the Gas Research Institute (GRI) on January 21, 1998. The S&A reflects the GRI Surcharge rates for 1999. Additionally, the S&A created a Voluntary Contribution Mechanism for shippers who voluntarily choose to contribute to GRI through a "check-the-box" mechanism. This filing incorporates both the 1999 GRI Surcharge rates and the Voluntary Contribution Mechanism into Questar's tariff.

Questar states that a copy of this filing has been served upon its customers, the Public Service Commission of Utah and