

authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

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*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-220-000]

#### Great Lakes Gas Transmission Limited Partnership; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

February 10, 1999.

Take notice that on February 5, 1999, Great Lakes Gas Transmission Limited Partnership (Great Lakes) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the tariff sheets listed on Appendix A of the filing, with an effective date of March 8, 1999.

Great Lakes states that the purpose of the filing is to provide the necessary flexibility under its tariff to negotiate rates with its customers. Great Lakes states that this filing is made in accordance with the Commission's Statement of Policy on Alternatives to Traditional Cost-of-Service Ratemaking for Natural Gas Pipelines, issued on January 31, 1996, in Docket No. RM95-6-000 (Policy Statement) and the subsequent Commission orders applying the Policy Statement.

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. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us.us/online/rims.htm> (please call (202) 208-0400 for assistance).

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-62-002]

#### Midcoast Interstate Transmission, Inc.; Notice of Compliance Filing

February 10, 1999.

Take notice that on February 5, 1999, Midcoast Interstate Transmission, Inc. (Midcoast) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, to become effective November 2, 1998:

Sub. Fourth Revised Sheet No. 79

First Sub. Second Revised Sheet No. 79A

Sub. Original Sheet No. 79C

Sub. Third Revised Sheet No. 154

Midcoast asserts that the purpose of this filing is to comply with the Commission's Order No. 587-H, Standards for Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines issued on July 15, 1998 in Docket No. RM96-1-008 and Mr. Kevin P. Madden's Letter Order in these proceedings dated January 26, 1999.

Midcoast has requested that the Commission grant such waivers as may be necessary to accept this filing and to make it effective on November 2, 1998.

Midcoast states that copies of the filing were served on each of its firm customers, interruptible customers and all affected state commissions.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., 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. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (please call (202) 208-0400 for assistance).

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP99-191-000]

#### Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

February 10, 1999.

Take notice that on February 2, 1999, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124-1000, filed in Docket No. CP99-191-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.208 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.208) for authorization to install and operate approximately 15 miles of 16-inch pipeline, with appurtenances, to loop the Elk River branchline located in Anoka and Sherburne Counties, Minnesota. Northern makes such request under its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-401-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the Commission. The application may be viewed on the web at [www.ferc.fed.us](http://www.ferc.fed.us). Call (202) 208-2222 for assistance.

Northern states that the loop line is necessary to meet third through fifth year Peak Day 2000 firm obligations for Minnegasco, a Division of NorAm Energy Corporation (Minnegasco) and Northern States Power Company-Minnesota (NSP-MN). Northern avers that its Peak Day 2000 Expansion was designed to serve the incremental capacity requirements of its shippers over a five year period commencing November 1, 1997. It is indicated that Minnegasco and NSP-MN contracted for an incremental firm entitlement of 23,873 MMBtu of natural gas per day to meet third through fifth year incremental growth to markets served by Northern's Elk River branchline.

Northern estimates the total cost to install the proposed facilities to be \$12.5 million, and indicates that the cost will be financed with internally generated funds.

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