

East Tennessee states that the Gateway Projects will be constructed on East Tennessee's existing pipeline right of way and thus will not result in a significant adverse effect on the environment.

The Gateway Customers have requested that East Tennessee provide the proposed transportation service during the 2001/2002 winter heating season. East Tennessee requests a certificate on or before August 1, 2001 in order for it to meet its November 1, 2001 in-service date requested by the Gateway Customers.

Any questions regarding the application should be directed to Steven E. Tillman, Director, Regulatory Affairs, East Tennessee Natural Gas Company, P.O. Box 1642, Houston, Texas, 77251, (713) 627-5113.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before March 22, 2001, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 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 385.214 or 385.211) 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. Comments and protests may be filed electronically in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's website at <http://ferc.fed.us/efl/doorbell.htm>.

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. Commentors 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. Commentors will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, commentors 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 commentors or those requesting intervenor status.

Take further notice that pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory 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 a grant of the certificate is 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 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 necessary for East Tennessee 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. ER01-869-000]

#### Geothermal Properties, Inc.; Notice of Issuance of Order

March 1, 2001.

Geothermal Properties, Inc. (GPI) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which GPI will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions at market-based rates. GPI also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, GPI requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR part 34 of all future issuances of

securities and assumptions of liability by GPI.

On February 15, 2001, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Corporate Applications, Office of Markets, Tariffs and Rates, granted requests for blanket approval under part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by GPI should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214).

Absent a request to be heard in opposition within this period, GPI is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, indorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, and compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approval of GPI's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is March 19, 2001.

Copies of the full text of the Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The Order may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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#### GPN Pleasant Hill, LLC, GPN Pleasant Hill Operating, LLC; Notice of Issuance of Order

March 1, 2001.

GPN Pleasant Hill Operating, LLC (GPN) submitted for filing a rate