- (b) For each delivery point authorized under §157.211(a)(1), the information required by §157.211(c);
- (c) for each temporary compressor facility under §157.209, the information required by §157.209(b);
- (d) For each storage project tested or developed under §157.215, the information specified in §157.215(b)(1);
- (e) For each abandonment authorized under §157.216(a), the information specified in §157.216(d);
- (f) For each change in rate schedule authorized under §157.217, the information specified in §157.217(b);
- (g) For each change in customer name authorized under §157.218, the information specified in §157.218(b); and
- (h) If any activity required to be reported under this section was not undertaken, a statement to that effect.

[Order 436, 50 FR 42490, Oct. 18, 1985, as amended by Order 493, 53 FR 15030, Apr. 27, 1988; Order 603, 64 FR 26607, May 14, 1999; Order 603, 66 FR 15347, Mar. 19, 2001; Order 633, 68 FR 31605, May 28, 2003; Order 686, 71 FR 63693, Oct. 31, 2006; Order 686-A, 72 FR 37436, July 10, 2007]

## § 157.208 Construction, acquisition, operation, replacement, and miscellaneous rearrangement of facilities.

- (a) Automatic authorization. If the project cost does not exceed the cost limitations set forth in column 1 of Table I, under paragraph (d) of this section, or if the project is required to restore service in an emergency, the certificate holder is authorized to make miscellaneous rearrangements of any facility, or acquire, construct, replace, or operate any eligible facility. The certificate holder shall not segment projects in order to meet the cost limitations set forth in column 1 of Table I.
- (b) Prior notice. If the project cost is greater than the amount specified in column 1 of Table I, but less than the amount specified in column 2 of Table I, the certificate holder is authorized to make miscellaneous rearrangements of any facility, or acquire, construct, replace, or operate any eligible facility. The certificate holder shall not segment projects in order to meet the cost limitations set forth in column 2 of Table I.
- (c) Contents of request. In addition to the requirements of §157.205(b), requests filed for activities described

- under paragraph (b) of this section shall contain:
- (1) A description of the purpose of the proposed facilities including their relationship to other existing or planned facilities;
- (2) A detailed description of the proposed facilities specifying length, diameter, wall thickness and maximum operating pressure for pipeline; and for compressors, the size, type, and number of compressor units, horsepower required, horsepower existing and proposed, volume of fuel gas, suction and discharge pressure and compression ratio:
- (3) A USGS 7½ minute series (scale 1:24000) topographic map (or map of equivalent or greater detail, as appropriate) showing the location of the proposed facilities, and indicating the location of any sensitive environmental areas within one-quarter mile of project-related construction activities:
- (4) A map showing the relationship of the proposed facilities to the applicant's existing facilities;
- (5) A flow diagram or comparative study showing daily design capacity, daily maximum capacity and operating pressures with and without the proposed facilities for that portion of the certificate holder's system affected by the proposal;
- (6) The estimated cost and method of financing the proposed facilities;
- (7) A statement explaining how the public convenience and necessity requires the approval of the project;
  - (8) For acquisitions of facilities:
- (i) A statement referencing the date of issuance, docket number and title of the proceeding for any certificate issued by the Commission authorizing the facilities proposed to be acquired; and
- (ii) The amounts recorded in the accounts of the vendor (seller or lessor) that apply to the facilities proposed to be acquired and the accumulated provisions for depreciation, depletion, and amortization;
- (9) A concise analysis discussing the relevant issues outlined in §380.12 of this chapter. The analysis must identify the existing environmental conditions and the expected significant impacts that the proposed action, including proposed mitigation measures, will

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cause to the quality of the human environment, including impact expected to occur to sensitive environmental areas. When compressor facilities are proposed, the analysis must also describe how the proposed action will be made to comply with applicable State Implementation Plans developed under the Clean Air Act. The analysis must also include a description of the contacts made, reports produced, and results of consultations which took place to ensure compliance with the Endangered Species Act, National Historic Preservation Act and the Coastal Zone Management Act. Include a copy of the agreements received for compliance with the Endangered Species Act, National Historic Preservation Act, and Coastal Zone Management Act, or if no written concurrence is issued, a description of how the agency relayed its opinion to the company. Describe how drilling for wells or horizontal direction drilling would be designed to meet the goal of limiting the perceived noise at NSAs to an  $L_{dn}\ of\ 5\bar{5}\ dBA$  or what mitigation would be offered to landowners.

- (10) A commitment to having the Environmental Inspector's report filed every week.
- (d) Limits and inflation adjustment. The limits specified in Tables I and II shall be adjusted each calendar year to reflect the "GDP implicit price deflator" published by the Department of Commerce for the previous calendar year. The Director of the Office of Energy Projects is authorized to compute and publish limits for future calendar years as a part of Tables I and II, pursuant to §375.308(x)(1) of this chapter.

TABLE I

	Limit	
Year	Auto. proj. cost limit (Col.1)	Prior notice proj. cost limit (Col.2)
1982	\$4,200,000	\$12,000,000
1983	4,500,000	12,800,000
1984	4,700,000	13,300,000
1985	4,900,000	13,800,000
1986	5,100,000	14,300,000
1987	5,200,000	14,700,000
1988	5,400,000	15,100,000
1989	5,600,000	15,600,000
1990	5,800,000	16,000,000
1991	6,000,000	16,700,000
1992	6,200,000	17,300,000
1003	6 400 000	17 700 000

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	Limit	
Year	Auto. proj. cost limit (Col.1)	Prior notice proj. cost limit (Col.2)
1994	6,600,000	18,100,000
1995	6,700,000	18,400,000
1996	6,900,000	18,800,000
1997	7,000,000	19,200,000
1998	7,100,000	19,600,000
1999	7,200,000	19,800,000
2000	7,300,000	20,200,000
2001	7,400,000	20,600,000
2002	7,500,000	21,000,000
2003	7,600,000	21,200,000
2004	7,800,000	21,600,000
2005	8,000,000	22,000,000
2006	9,600,000	27,400,000
2007	9,900,000	28,200,000
2008	10,200,000	29,000,000
2009	10,400,000	29,600,000
2010	10,500,000	29,900,000
2011	10,600,000	30,200,000
2012	10,800,000	30,800,000
2013	11,000,000	31,400,000

- (e) Reporting requirements. For each facility completed during the calendar year pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section and §157.213(a), the certificate holder shall file in the manner prescribed in §§ 157.6(a) and 385.2011 of this chapter as part of the required annual report under §157.207(a) the information described in paragraphs (e)(1)-(5) of this section. For each facility completed during the calendar year pursuant to paragraph (b) of this section, and §§ 157.210, 157.212, and 157.213(b), the certificate holder shall file in the manner prescribed above only the information described in paragraph (e)(3) of this section.
- (1) A description of the facilities installed pursuant to this section, including a description of the length and size of pipelines, compressor horsepower, metering facilities, taps, valves, and any other facilities constructed;
- (2) The specific purpose, location, and beginning and completion date of construction of the facilities installed, the date service commenced, and, if applicable, a statement indicating the extent to which the facilities were jointly constructed;
- (3) The actual installed cost of each facility item listed pursuant to paragraph (e)(1), separately stating the cost of materials and labor as well as other costs allocable to the facilities;
- (4)(i) A description of the contacts made, reports produced, and results of

consultations which took place to ensure compliance with the Endangered Species Act, the National Historic Preservation Act and the Coastal Zone Management Act:

- (ii) Documentation, including images, that restoration of work areas is progressing appropriately;
- (iii) A discussion of problems or unusual construction issues, including those identified by affected landowners, and corrective actions taken or planned; and
- (iv) For new or modified compression, a noise survey verifying compliance with §157.206(b)(5).
  - (5) For acquisitions of facilities:
- (i) A statement referencing the date of issuance, docket number and title of the proceeding for any certificate issued by the Commission authorizing the facilities acquired; and
- (ii) The amounts recorded in the accounts of the vendor (seller or lessor) that apply to the facilities acquired and the accumulated provisions for depreciation, depletion, and amortization.
- (f) Special conditions. (1) For purposes of comparing the project cost of leased facilities with the per-project cost limitations in Table I of this section, the project cost of leased facilities shall be the annual lease charge multiplied by the number of years of the lease.
- (2) In the interest of safety and reliability of service, facilities authorized by the certificate shall not be operated at pressures exceeding the maximum operating pressure set forth in the request. In the event that the certificate holder thereafter wishes to change the maximum operating pressure of supply or delivery lateral facilities constructed under section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act or facilities constructed under this section, it shall file an appropriate request pursuant to the procedures set forth in §157.205(b). Such request shall include the reasons for the proposed change. Nothing contained herein authorizes the certificate holder to operate any facility at a pressure above the maximum prescribed by State law, if such law requires a lower pressure than authorized hereby.
- (g) If the actual cost of the project exceeds the per-project cost authorized under a blanket certificate in Table I

of this section, the certificate holder shall apply to the Director of the Office of Energy Projects for a waiver of those project cost limits.

[Order 234, 47 FR 24266, June 4, 1982]

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## § 157.209 Temporary compression facilities.

- (a) Automatic authorization. If the cost does not exceed the cost limitations set forth in column 1 of Table I, under §157.208(d) of this chapter, the certificate holder may install, operate and remove temporary facilities provided that the temporary compressor facilities shall not be used to increase the volume or service above that rendered by the involved existing permanent compressor unit(s).
- (b) Reporting requirements. As part of the certificate holder's annual report of projects authorized under paragraph (a) of this section, the certificate holder must report the following in the manner prescribed in §§157.6(a) and 385.2011 of this chapter;
- (1) A description of the temporary compression facility, including the size, type and number of compressor units;
- (2) The location at which temporary compression was installed, operated and removed, including its location relative to existing facilities;
- (3) A description of the permanent compression facility which was unavailable, and a statement explaining the reason for the temporary compression:
- (4) The dates for which the temporary compression was installed, operated and removed; and
- (5) If applicable, the information required in §157.208(e)(4).

[Order 603, 64 FR 26608, May 14, 1999, as amended by Order 699, 72 FR 45325, Aug. 14, 2007]

## §157.210 Mainline natural gas facilities.

Subject to the notice requirements of §§157.205(b) and 157.208(c), the certificate holder is authorized to acquire, construct, modify, replace, and operate