Comment date: April 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

19. Northeast Utilities Service Company

[Docket No. ER96–1277–000]

Take notice that on March 7, 1996, Northeast Utilities Service Company (NUSCO), on behalf of Northeast Utilities (NU) System Companies, filed a Service Agreement for firm transmission service to Suncook Energy Corporation under the NU System Companies' Tariff No. 1.

NUSCO requests the Service Agreement be permitted to become effective on March 8, 1996.

Comment date: April 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

20. South Carolina Electric & Gas Company

[Docket No. ER96–1278–000]

Take notice that on March 7, 1996, South Carolina Electric & Gas Company, tendered for filing proposed Contract for Purchases and Sales of Power and Energy between South Carolina Electric & Gas Company and Enron Power Marketing, Inc. (EPMI).

Under the proposed contract, the parties will purchase and sell electric energy and power between themselves. South Carolina Electric and Gas Company also requested waiver of notice in order that the contract be effective on April 1, 1996.

Copies of this filing were served upon Enron Power Marketing, Inc.

Comment date: April 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

21. South Carolina Electric & Gas Company

[Docket No. ER96–1279–000]

Take notice that on March 7, 1996, South Carolina Electric & Gas Company, tendered for filing proposed Contract for Purchases and Sales of Power and Energy between South Carolina Electric & Gas Company and City of Tallahassee, Florida.

Under the proposed contract, the parties will purchase and sell electric energy and power between themselves. South Carolina Electric and Gas Company also requested waiver of notice in order that the contract be effective on February 9, 1996.

Copies of this filing were served upon City of Tallahassee, Florida.

Comment date: April 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

22. Duke Power Company

[Docket No. ER96–1280–000]

Take notice that on March 7, 1996, Duke Power Company (Duke), tendered for filing a Service Agreement for Market Rate (Schedule MR) Sales between Duke and Koch Power Services, Inc., and a Schedule MR Transaction Short thereunder.

Comment date: April 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

23. Mississippi Power Company

[Docket No. ER96–1281–000]

Take notice that on March 6, 1996, Mississippi Power Company, tendered for filing the correction of a recently discovered typographical error made several years ago in a provision of the Fuel Cost Adjustment Clause of Mississippi's Electric Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1.

Copies of the filing were served upon all customers receiving service under the tariff, the Mississippi Public Service Commission, and the Mississippi Public Utilities Staff.

Comment date: April 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraph

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing 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 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. 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 proceeding. 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Project No. 11132–000–ME]

Consolidated Hydro Maine, Inc., Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment

March 20, 1996.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission's) regulations, 18 CFR Part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Hydropower Licensing has reviewed the application for an original license for the existing unlicensed Eustis Hydroelectric Project, located in Franklin County, Maine, and has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for the project. In the DEA, the Commission's staff has analyzed the potential environmental impacts of the existing project and has concluded that approval of the project, with appropriate environmental protection measures, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

Copies of the DEA are available for review in the Public Reference Branch, Room 2–A, of the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Any comments should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice and should be addressed to Lois D. Cashell, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Room 1–A, Washington, DC 20426. Please affix ''Eustis Hydroelectric Project No. 11132'' to all comments. For further information, please contact Tom Dean at (202) 219–2778.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP96–220–000, et al.]

Koch Gateway Pipeline Company, et al.; Natural Gas Certificate Filings

March 18, 1996.

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

1. Koch Gateway Pipeline Company

Docket No. CP96–220–000

Take notice that on February 29, 1996, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company (Koch), 600 Travis Street, P.O. Box 1478, Houston, Texas 77251–1478, filed in Docket No. CP96–220–000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.211) for authorization to revise an existing meter station and to install a lateral pipeline to increase delivery capacity to Mississippi Power Company (MPC) in Harrison County, Mississippi, under its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82–430–000, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file

with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Koch proposes to install approximately 5,377 feet of new twenty-inch pipeline parallel and adjacent to its existing eight-inch pipeline designated as TPL 276–14 which is currently serving MPC's Jack Watson Power Plant. Koch states that the first 2,424 of proposed installation will be located in Koch's existing fee property. While the remaining 2,953 of the proposed installation will be located within an existing right-of-way located entirely within MPC property and easements. Additionally, Koch proposes to install on the twenty-inch line at station 39+88, a four-inch tap to tie-over an existing meter station which serves Reichold Chemical, which is currently served from the existing eight-inch line.

Koch asserts that it is not seeking to abandon the eight-inch line because it will be used as a back-up line in the event that service is interrupted on the twenty-inch line. Koch claims that the lateral line will increase the delivery capacity to MPC from 105 MMcf/d to a proposed peak day capacity of 286 MMcf. Koch notes that the twenty-inch line is needed to meet MPC's immediate needs as well as providing the opportunity to meet MPC's future fuel requirements. The estimated cost for the project is $1,120,000, of which MPC will partially reimburse Koch for the construction costs.

Koch states that MPC is currently being served by a number of brokers and marketers which ship gas on Koch's system. Koch states that MPC will continue to have this option or it may execute a new interruptible transportation agreement pursuant to Koch's ITS Rate Schedule. Koch notes that service provided through the proposed facilities will be within the certificated entitlements of existing shippers which serve MPC or within the entitlements of an executed interruptible agreement if MPC chooses, pursuant to Koch's blanket transportation certificate authorized in Docket No. CP88–6–000. Koch states that it has sufficient capacity to render the proposed service without detriment to its existing customers and its tariff does not prohibit the proposed modifications to the facilities.

Comment date: May 2, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph G at the end of this notice.

2. Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation

[Docket No. CP9]

Take notice that on March 8, 1996, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco), Post Office Box 1396, Houston, Texas 77251, and National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (National Fuel), 10 Lafayette Street, Buffalo, New York 14203 (jointly referred to as Applicants), filed in Docket No. CP96–238–000, a joint application pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), and Part 157 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the Applicants to redefine the total top gas storage capacity of the Wharton Storage Field as 16 Bcf, and to increase the base gas of the Wharton Storage Field by 4 Bcf for a total of 14.6 Bcf of base gas, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Applicants state that the initial development of the Wharton Storage Field was certificated by Commission order dated January 18, 1963, in Docket No. CP61–284. Further, development of the storage field was authorized by Commission orders dated November 20, 1963, in Docket No. CP64–44; February 4, 1964, in Docket No. CP64–103; and January 24, 1967, in Docket No. CP65–182.

Applicants state that the certificated storage capacity of the Wharton Storage Field was never realized during development, and over the years the rated capacity of the Wharton Storage Field has further deteriorated so that the capacity is now 16 Bcf. Further, Applicants state that remediation programs have been followed to maintain, and at a minimum, to mitigate further reduction in deliverability of top gas storage capacity of the Wharton Storage Field.

Applicants indicate that they have entered into a Revised and Restated Wharton Storage Agreement to reflect the changed physical and operational characteristics of the Wharton Storage Field and to update the Wharton Storage Agreement dated February 7, 1963. Applicants state that, under this agreement, Transco will furnish 3 Bcf of base gas and National Fuel will furnish 1 Bcf of base gas.

Comment date: April 8, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph F at the end of this notice.

3. Northern Natural Gas Company

[Docket No. CP96–246–000]

Take notice that on March 14, 1996, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124–1000, filed in Docket No. CP96–246–000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.212) for authorization to construct and operate a new delivery point under Northern's 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 that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Northern proposes to install a new tap on Northern's 24-inch A-line, and metering and appurtenance facilities, at its existing measurement yard located in the NE 1/4, Section 18, T3N, R26E, Beaver County, Oklahoma. Northern states that the new delivery point would accommodate natural gas deliveries to Continental Natural Gas Incorporated (CNG) under existing transportation rate schedule and service agreements. Northern explains that the gas would be used for feedstock for CNG's processing plant. It is stated that estimated peak day and annual volumes would amount to 25,000 MMBtu and 6,223,250 MMBtu, respectively. Northern estimates that the total cost to install the delivery point would be $155,000. Northern advises that the facilities would be financed in accordance with the General Terms and Conditions of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1.

Comment date: May 2, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph G at the end of this notice.

4. Northern Natural Gas Company

[Docket No. CP96–247–000]

Take notice that on March 14, 1996, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, filed in Docket No. CP96–247–000 an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act for permission and approval to abandon, in place, the Zavala Co. No. 2 compressor station in Zavala County, Texas, all as more fully set forth in the application on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Northern states that the Zavala Co. No. 2 compressor station, which consists of one 2,250 horsepower unit, is no longer being utilized due to changes in operating conditions which have eliminated the need for this station. Northern further states that its Zavala Co. No. 3 compressor station is currently being utilized to compress the gas instead of the Zavala Co. No. 2 compressor station; therefore, abandonment of the station will not result in the abandonment of service to any of Northern's existing customers or producers.

Comment date: April 8, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph F at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraphs

F. Any person desiring to be heard or make any protest with reference to said filing should on or before the comment date file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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. 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.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to 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 filing 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 unnecessary for the applicant to appear or be represented at the hearing.

G. Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after the 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 therefore, 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP96–237–000, et al.]

Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company, et al.; Natural Gas Certificate Filings

March 20, 1996.

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

1. Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company

[Docket No. CP96–237–000]

Take notice that on March 8, 1996, Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company (Williston Basin), Suite 300, 200 North Third Street, Bismarck, North Dakota 58501, filed in Docket No. CP96–237–000 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 utilize two existing taps in South Dakota under Williston Basin's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83–1–000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in request on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Williston Basin states that Montana-Dakota requested authorization to add an additional residential customer to an existing transmission line tap at Station 391+00 on Williston Basin's 10-inch Ellsworth Air Force Base line in Meade County and to add another residential customer at Station 8368+73 on Williston Basin's 12-inch Black Hills Yellow line in Lawrence County. The estimated volumes to be delivered at each area will be 100 Mcf per year. Williston Basin proposes to utilize these existing residential farm taps to effectuate additional natural gas transportation deliveries to Montana-Dakota for other than right-of-way grantor use.

Williston Basin states that the proposed service will have no significant effect on its peak day or annual requirements and that it has sufficient capacity to accomplish deliveries without detriment or disadvantage to its other customers. Williston Basin also states that the additional delivery points are not prohibited by its tariff and the volumes to be delivered are within the contractual entitlements of the customers.

Comment date: May 6, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph G at the end of this notice.

2. National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation

[Docket No. CP96–243–000]

Take notice that on March 11, 1996, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (National Fuel), 10 Lafayette Square, Buffalo, New York 14203, filed in Docket No. CP96–243–000, a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.211) for authorization to perform construction on a sales tap located on National Fuel's T-M170 Line in Clarion County, Pennsylvania. The subject tap renders service to an existing firm transportation customer of National Fuel, National Fuel Gas Distribution Corporation (Distribution). National Fuel makes such request, under its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83–4–000, pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

National Fuel proposes to perform construction on an existing sales tap that provides transportation service to Distribution under National Fuel's EFT Rate Schedule. Specifically, the sales tap on which construction will take place is Station No. T–1218, which presently includes a 4-inch turbine meter and regulators with 11/16-inch single orifices. National Fuel is proposing to replace those facilities with a 6-inch turbine meter and 1-inch double orifices. It is stated that by altering those facilities, the design delivery capacity of the regulators will increase from 45.2 Mcf per hour to about 140 Mcf per hour, and the measurement capacity will increase from 61 Mcf per hour to about 122 Mcf per hour. National Fuel states that the proposed upgrade is necessary to meet the increased demand for gas in the Miola, Pennsylvania area and to provide a more reliable feed to Distribution.

National Fuel states that the volumes to be delivered at the proposed tap will be within the certificated entitlement of Distribution, and that the proposed service will have a minimal impact on National Fuel's peak day and annual deliveries. The project is estimated to cost $7,500.

Comment date: May 6, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph G at the end of this notice.