[Docket No. CP96–593–000]

Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

June 27, 1996.

Take notice that on June 24, 1996, Columbia Gas Transmission (Columbia), 1700 MacCorkle Avenue, S.E., Charleston, West Virginia 25314–1599, filed a request with the Commission in Docket No. CP96–593–000, pursuant to Sections 157.205, and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for authorization to establish an additional point of delivery for transportation service to Pennzoil Products Company (Pennzoil) authorized in blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83–76–000), all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Columbia proposes to construct and operate an addition point of delivery for interruptible transportation service to Pennzoil in Boone County, West Virginia. Columbia states that the additional point of delivery has been requested by Pennzoil for transportation service for residential service. The cost to establish the additional point of delivery is estimated at $11,452. Columbia reports that Pennzoil has agreed to reimburse Columbia for the total cost of the delivery point.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after the Commission has issued this notice, 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 NGA (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the allowed time, 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 If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of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 NGA.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. GT96–69–000]

KO Transmission Company; Notice of Compliance Filing

June 27, 1996.

Take notice that on June 21, 1996, KO Transmission Company (KO Transmission) filed its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, on electronic media.

KO Transmission states that the purpose of the filing is to comply with the Letter Order issued by the Director of the Office of Pipeline Regulation on May 21, 1996, in the above-captioned docket.

Any person desiring to protest with said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR Section 385.211). All such protest must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. All protests filed with 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. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP96–590–000]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Application

June 27, 1996.

Take notice that on June 21, 1996, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, filed in Docket No. CP96–590–000 an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act for permission and approval to abandon certain pipeline facilities to West Texas Gas, Inc. (WTG), all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Northern proposes to abandon, by sale to WTG, approximately 14 miles of 6-inch pipeline and appurtenant facilities located in Hansford and Hutchinson Counties, Texas, to be used by WTG as non-jurisdictional gathering facilities.

Northern states that in instances where the primary term of any transportation service agreement using the subject facilities has not expired, to the extent necessary, WTG would perform a comparable, but non-jurisdictional, service on terms and conditions to be mutually agreed upon by WTG and the respective party for the remainder of the primary term.

Any person desiring to be heard or any person desiring to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before July 18, 1996, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 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 385.214 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.

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 permission and approval for the proposed abandonment 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 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 Northern to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP96–577–000]

Plant Owners v. Continental Natural Gas, Inc.; Notice of Complaint and Motion for Show Cause Order

June 27, 1996.

Take notice that on June 17, 1996, Plant Owners, identified in the attached appendix, filed in Docket No. CP96–577–000, pursuant to Rules 206 and 212 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.206, 385.212), a complaint and motion for an order to show cause against Continental Natural Gas, Inc. (CNG), alleging that CNG has constructed and is operating certain facilities that are subject to the

Natural Gas Act (NGA) without first obtaining authorization for these facilities pursuant to the certification procedures of NGA § 7(c). Plant owners own the Laverne processing plant that is operated by Conoco Inc. The attorney for Plant Owners is Bruce A. Connell, Esq., 600 N. Dairy Ashford, ML–1034, Houston, Texas 77079. Plant Owners' complaint is on file with the Commission and open for public inspection.

Plant Owners state that the facilities at issue consist of approximately ten miles of 8-inch pipeline through which high pressure natural gas flows between the tailgate of CNG's Beaver processing plant and the mainline transmission facilities of ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) in Beaver County, Oklahoma. Plant Owners assert that these facilities transport pipeline quality, processed, residue gas from the processing plant into interstate markets. The line is described as having no apparent well connects or gathering line interconnects.

It is stated that some Plant Owners produce natural gas behind CNG's Beaver Plant that is gathered by Colorado Interstate Gas Company, not ANR. Moreover, CNG has proposed to build connecting lines into the Laverne gathering area, where Plant Owners both produce and purchase natural gas. Plant Owners state that ANR has filed for authorization at Docket No. CP96–372–000 to construct and operate an interconnect between ANR's facilities appurtenant to Plant Owners' facilities and CNG's Beaver plant facilities. Plant Owners are concerned that the continuation of CNG's operation of jurisdictional facilities, without the protections provided by the NGA, will adversely affect their rights and opportunities to gain non-discriminatory, open access to interstate markets through the interstate pipeline grid. Plant Owners believe that, based on recent Commission precedent, the facilities at issue clearly perform a transmission function, as opposed to a gathering or production function.

Plant Owners allege that CNG's control of the line as an unregulated operator would be anti-competitive since Plant Owners compete with CNG for purchasing, processing and interstate marketing of natural gas. It is stated that denial of Plant Owners' request would place Plant Owners in an untenable competitive position because CNG would control Plant Owners' access to interstate gas markets and would be able to charge an unregulated rate for the same service currently provided, *i.e.*, access to ANR's mainline system.

Further, Plant Owners state that GPM Gas Corporation (GPM) filed a complaint against CNG at Docket No. CP96–495–000 on the basis that certain proposed pipeline facilities *upstream* of CNG's Beaver plant should be properly functionalized as transmission facilities subject to the NGA. Plant Owners have intervened and filed in support of GPM's complaint. Plant Owners assert that, should GPM's position be sustained by the Commission in that proceeding, Plant Owners' position in the instant filing should be affirmed *a fortiori*. Plant Owners believe it would be inconsistent with any previous application of the modified primary function test to have gathering facilities *downstream* of mainline transmission facilities.

Plant Owners ask that CNG be required to show cause as to why the subject line should not be considered to be performing a jurisdictional transmission activity for which a certificate under NGA § 7(c) should have been obtained, and pending satisfaction of the Show Cause order, CNG be precluded from connecting Plant Owners' gas from the Laverne gathering system to CNG's Beaver plant.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to the complaint should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 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 385.214 or 385.211). All such motions or protests, and a fully responsive answer of CNG to the complaint, should be filed on or before July 29, 1996. 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

Plant owners

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Bond Operating Company, Agent, Bond Estate Properties, 325 North St. Paul, Suite 2810, Tower II, Dallas, TX 75201, 0 (214) 965–8766, Contact: James H. Bond.

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Chevron U.S.A. Inc., (Warren Petroleum Company is a division of Chevron U.S.A. Inc.), Room 2260, 1301 McKinney Street, Houston, TX 77010, (713) 754–3415, Contact: Thomas D. Oliver, Senior Counsel.

Warren Petroleum Company, 1350 South Boulder, Tulsa, OK 74119, (918) 560–4405, Contact: G.M. Spies.

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Eagle Ridge Oil & Gas, Incorporated, 8517 South 77th East Place, Tulsa, OK 74133–6622, (918) 494–8928, Contact: Mark P. Godsey, President.

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Trident, NGL, 13430 Northwest Freeway, Suite 1200, Houston, TX 77040, Contact: Glenn Etienne, (713) 507–6830.

Pine Crest Preparatory School Incorporated, 1501 Northeast 62nd Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 3334, (954) 492–4116, Contact: Kenneth Kone.

Statex Petroleum Incorporated, 1801 Royal Lane, Suite 110, Dallas, TX 75229, (214) 869–2800, Contact: Dhar Carman.

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Alan L. Lamb, 11900 North Penn, Suite C–1, Oklahoma City, OK 73120, (405) 755–2233, Contact: Alan L. Lamb.

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*Locin Oil Corporation is an affiliated company to Lyons Petroleum Reserves, Inc., but is not an owner in the Laverne Plant.

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[Docket No. RP96–218–002]

Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

June 27, 1996.

Take notice that on June 25, 1996, Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation (Texas Eastern) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Sixth Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheet, to become effective July 26, 1996:

First Revised Sheet No. 741

Texas Eastern states that the purpose of this filing is to insert the words, ''Unless prohibited by law,'' at the beginning of the last sentence of the CRP election form for Rate Schedule SCT contained in Texas Eastern's FERC Gas Tariff. On June 13, 1996, Texas Eastern made a filing (June 13 Compliance Filing) in compliance with the Commission's Order issued May 29, 1996, in Docket No. RP96–218–000 (May 29 Order). Texas Eastern agreed in the June 13 Compliance Filing to make a revision to the CRP Election form, Exhibit D, to Rate Schedule SCT. The agreement was in response to Ordering Paragraph (E) of the May 29 Order.

Texas Eastern states that copies of the filing were served on firm customers of Texas Eastern and interested state commissions.

Any person desiring to protect 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 proceeding. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP96–284–000]

Viking Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Request for Waiver

June 27, 1996.

Take notice that on June 21, 1996, Viking Gas Transmission Company (Viking) tendered for filing a request for a waiver of the Commission's Order No. 563 requirement to provide electronic file downloading according to standards for Electronic Data Interchange.

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

Any person desiring to be head or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All such motions or protests should be filed on or before July 8, 1996. 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. 10934–003; New Hampshire]

William B. Ruger, Jr.; Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Assessment

June 27, 1996.

A final environmental assessment (FEA) is available for public review. The FEA reviewed the application for amendment for the Sugar River II Project (FERC No. 10934). The application proposes to shorten the bypass reach of the Sugar River by 650 feet by relocating the proposed dam in a downstream direction and replacing an open canal with a seven-foot-diameter buried steel penstock. The FEA finds that approval of the amendment application would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. The Sugar River II Project is located on the Sugar River, in Sullivan County, in Newport, New Hampshire.

The FEA was prepared by staff in the Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Copies of the FEA can be viewed at the Commission's Reference and Information Center, Room 2A, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. Copies can also be obtained by calling the project manager, Mr. Joseph C. Adamson at (202) 219–1040.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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Office of Hearings and Appeals

Notice of Cases Filed; Week of March 11 Through March 15, 1996

During the Week of March 11 through March 15, 1996, the appeals and applications for exception or other relief listed in the Appendix to this Notice were filed with the Office of Hearings and Appeals of the Department of Energy.

Under DOE procedural regulations, 10 CFR Part 205, any person who will be aggrieved by the DOE action sought in these cases may file written comments on the application within ten days of service of notice, as prescribed in the procedural regulations. For purposes of the regulations, the date of service of notice is deemed to be the date of publication of this Notice or the date of receipt by an aggrieved person of actual notice, whichever occurs first. All such comments shall be filed with the Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of Energy, Washington, D.C. 20585.

Dated: June 24, 1996.

George B. Breznay,

Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals.