

interest owners and CIG to come to an agreement on the proper amount of refunds due and to submit any unresolved dispute to the Commission. The March 10 petition also requested that the Commission grant an adjustment of its refund procedures:

(1) to allow GMC and its working interest owners a 1-year deferral (until March 9, 1999) on the payment of principal and interest attributable to royalties; and

(2) to allow GMC and its working interest owners to escrow refund amounts presently in dispute, and (a) the principal and interest attributable to royalty refunds which have not been collected, (b) the principal and interest attributable to production prior to October 4, 1983, (c) the interest on royalty amounts that have been recovered from the royalty owners where the principal has been refunded, and (d) the interest on all reimbursed principal determined to be refundable as being in excess of maximum lawful prices, excluding interest retained under (a), (b), and (c) above.

As set forth in the March 10 petition, GMC stated that it prepared schedules recalculating the aggregate total refund it believes is owed to CIG (\$359,688.28) and submitted this information to its working interest owners.

GMC's March 13, 1998, first supplement to the March 10 petition amended the March 10 petition by adding: 1) Frances B. Smith Trust; 2) North Dakota University; and 3) Fred and June MacMurray Trust to the list of working interest owners covered by the March 10 petition, and by revising GMC's aggregate total refund calculation from \$359,688.28 to \$365,973.60.

GMC's March 26, 1998, second supplement to the March 10 petition amended the petition by adding Notre Dame University to the list of working interest owners covered by the March 10 petition, and by further revising GMC's aggregate total refund calculation, from \$365,973.60 to \$370,220.01.

Any person desiring to answer GMC's March 13 and March 26 amendments should file such answer with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, on or before 15 days after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.213, 385.215, 385.1101, and 385.1106).

David P. Boergers,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-361-000]

Koch Gateway Pipeline Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

April 22, 1998.

Take notice that on April 17, 1998, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company, (Koch), P.O. Box 1478, Houston, Texas, 77251-1478, filed under Sections 157.205 and 157.211(a)(2) of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act to construct delivery facilities to serve Savannah Foods' Colonial Sugars Processing Plant (Colonial), an end user, served under Koch's FTS Rate Schedule. This docket which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Koch proposes to install the new delivery point on its transmission line, designated as Index 270, in St. James Parish, Louisiana. These facilities will satisfy Colonial's request for gas service. Colonial estimates the maximum peak day volumes to be delivered at 8,000 MMBtu and average day volumes to be delivered at 6,000 MMBtu. Koch plans to install a 2-inch tap, a dual 2 and 4-inch meter station and 5,300 feet of 4-inch pipeline to connect to Colonial's processing plant. The cost of installing the facilities is \$235,000. Koch will transport the volumes under its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP88-6-000.

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 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.

David P. Boergers,
Acting Secretary.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-140-000]

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company; Notice of Technical Conference

April 22, 1998.

In the Commission's order issued on March 25, 1998, the Commission directed that a technical conference be held to address issues raised by the filing.

Take notice that the technical conference will be held on Tuesday, May 5, 1998, at 10:00 a.m., in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

All interested parties and staff are permitted to attend.

David P. Boergers,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-189-000]

UtiliCorp United Inc.; Notice of Petition for Relief

April 22, 1998.

Take notice that on April 17, 1998, pursuant to Order No. 636-C and Rule 207 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure, UtiliCorp United Inc. (UtiliCorp), tendered for filing a petition for relief to shorten to five years the terms of its two firm transportation agreements with Colorado Interstate Gas Company (CIG), that were entered into pursuant to the then-effective right-of-first-refusal (ROFR), procedures under CIG's tariff—(1) Rate Schedule TF-1 Service Agreement No. 33128, which currently expires on March 31, 2009; and (2) Rate Schedule TF-1 Service Agreement No. 33079, which currently expires on March 31, 2012.

UtiliCorp requests that the Commission order the shortening of the terms of Agreements No. 33079 and 33128 to five years because, in accordance with Order No. 636-C, UtiliCorp agreed to the current terms exclusively because of the twenty-year cap under CIG's then-effective tariff. UtiliCorp states that had it not had to match a competing third party bid—which under CIG's then-effective tariff could be for as long as twenty years for