for payment of travel and transportation allowances, known as the Official Table of Distances. The FY96 Defense Authorization Act deleted this requirement, thus providing the opportunity to use a commercial mileage product. MTMC announced a plan to convert to a new automated mileage standard calculation product in the previous **Federal Register** notice (Vol. 62, No. 218, page 60692) Wednesday, November 12, 1997. In seeking a single integrated source of automated highway distance calculations, the MTMC contracted with Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC) to perform a market survey of available products (Phase I) and to provide a product that would support DoD transportation programs (Phase II). SAIC in turn conducted a commercial competition to identify and acquire a commercial-off-the-shelf, point-to-point distance calculation source that would meet all the DoD requirements. PC*MILER was chosen by SAIC to be that source. PC*MILER, developed specifically to serve the trucking industry, will contain Standard Point Location Codes, military locations and other worldwide locations required by DoD. Updates and version control of DTOD and PC*MILER will be consistent with industry practices.

b. In surveying and evaluating vendors and products, SAIC's criteria focused on compatibility with existing and planned automated systems, consistency in calculation, and adaptability to various DoD network applications and transportation program uses. SAIC also compared commercially available distance calculation products to identify viable candidates for the competitive selection process. That comparison resulted in finding a variance of 2.0%+/− amongst the vendors of evaluated products. A copy of this comparison will be provided, upon written request, sent to the point of contract identified above.

c. The DTOD/PC*MILER product will calculate both ''shortest'' and ''practical'' mileage. Currently, the DoD and the household goods carrier industry use ''shortest'' mileage to calculate the distances used for payment purposes. ''Shortest'' routes represent distances and routes that a driver would take to minimize total distance traveled while still following a truck-navigable route. DoD will continue to use the ''shortest'' routes. Carriers and/or other parties who choose to use PC*MILER will have opportunities to provide feedback to ALK Associates, Inc., the provider of DTOD software, regarding routings, database suggestions such as distance differences, road preference suggestions, road reclassifications, new locations, etc. ALK Associates, Inc., will provide all interested parties the capability to license PC*MILER, to ensure the ability to consistently determine the exact mileage that the DoD uses for payments and auditing.

d. It is anticipated that transition to DTOD will have no significant impact on small businesses since those businesses currently use one or more similar distance calculation products. All offerors will be free to establish their rates based on applicable distance information.

e. Interested parties are invited to provide comments concerning the use of the DTOD in the DoD Personal Property Program and the proposed implementation dates to the address provided above. Comments will be accepted for a period of 60 days from the publication date of this notice.

7. Regulatory Flexibility Act. This change is related to public contracts and is designed to standardize distance calculations for line-haul transportation. This change is not considered rule making within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601–612.

8. Paperwork Reduction Act. The Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq., does not apply because no information collection requirements or recordskeeping responsibilities are imposed on offerors, contractors, or members of the public.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register, Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Protective Exclusive License Announcement

AGENCY: U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command.

AGENCY: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i), announcement is made of prospective exclusive license for U.S. Patent Number 5,665,970.

DATES: Written objections must be filed not later than August 10, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written objections should be directed to Mr. George B. Tereschuk, Intellectual Property Law Division, U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command, ATTN: AMSEL–LG–L, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey 07703–5010,

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gorge B. Tereschuk, U.S. Army, Communications-Electronics Command, ATTN: AMSEL–LG–L, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey 07703–5010, Telephone (732) 523–9795, or E-mail: terschu@doim6.monmouth.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: U.S. Patent Number 5,665,970, filed on July 3, 1996, entitled, ''Directional Radiation Detector and Imager,'' was issued to Kronenberg et al on September 9, 1997. This U.S. Patent was assigned to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of the Army. Accordingly, under the authority of Section 11(a)(2) of the Federal Technology Transfer Act of 1986 (Pub L. 99–502) and Title 35, United States Code, section 207, the Department of the Army, as represented by the Communications-Electronics Command, intends to grant an exclusive license for the above identified U.S. Patent to Canberra Industries, A Division of Packard BioScience.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i) any interested party may file written objections to this prospective exclusive license agreement at the above address. Written objections must be filed on or before August 10, 1998.

Gregory D. Showalter

Army Federal Register, Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98–572–000]

NorAm Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Application for Abandonment

June 4, 1998.

Take notice that on May 29, 1998, NorAm Gas Transmission Company (NGT), 1111 Louisiana, Houston, Texas 77002 filed an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations requesting permission and approval to abandon exchange services with Arkansas Oklahoma Gas Company (AOG). The application is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

NGT states that Arkla Energy Resources Company, now NGT, entered into exchange transactions in 1973 and 1979 with AOG. NGT states that the 1973 and 1979 exchange agreements were certificated in Docket No. CP87–458 by Order Issuing Certificate and Authorizing Abandonment issued June 8, 1989 (47 FERC ¶ 61,342). As of July 1, 1990 the 1973 and 1979 exchanges

were combined into one agreement for administrative convenience. NGT states that there is no longer a need for these transactions which have been terminated by the written consent of both parties. No facilities are proposed to be abandoned in connection with the authorization requested.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before June 25, 1998, 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 385.211 and 385.214) and the regulations under the National 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. And person wishing to become a party in any proceeding herein 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 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 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 NGT to appear or to be represented at the hearing.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER95–851–003, et al.]

Maine Public Service Company, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

June 1, 1998.

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

1. Maine Public Service Company

[Docket No. ER95–851–003]

Take notice that on May 28, 1998, Maine Public Service Company (MPS), filed an updated market analysis as required by the Commission's May 31, 1995, order in Docket No. ER95–851–000 granting MPS market-based rate authority.

Comment date: June 17, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. Denver City Energy Associates, L.P.

[Docket No. ER97–4084–003]

Take notice that on May 28, 1998, Denver City Energy Associates, L.P. (DCE), tendered for filing a revised Code of Conduct in compliance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (the Commission), Order issued March 23, 1998 in Docket No ER97–4084–001.

Comment date: June 17, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

3. West Texas Utilities Company

[Docket No. ER98–2501–001]

Take notice that on May 28, 1998, West Texas Utilities Company (WTU), submitted for filing a revised Exhibit A to the Service Agreement between WTU and Midwest Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Midwest), filed in this docket. Pursuant to the Service Agreement, WTU will provide full-requirements service under its WPC Tariff to Midwest load at four additional points of delivery.

WTU has served copies of the filing on Midwest and the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

Comment date: June 17, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

4. Long Island Lighting Company

[Docket No. ER98–3024–000]

Take notice that on May 28, 1998, Long Island Lighting Company (LILCO), filed an Electric Power Service Agreement between LILCO and SCANA Energy Marketing, Inc., entered into on May 12, 1998. However, due to LILCO's inadvertence, the Notice of Filing issued on May 20, 1998 in Docket No. ER98–3024–000 listed NGE Generation, Inc., instead of SCANA Energy Marketing, Inc., as the party with which LILCO had entered into the Electric Power Service Agreement on May 12, 1998. On May 27, 1998, LILCO filed this corrected Notice of Filing in Docket No. ER98–3024–000 to identify SCANA Energy Marketing, Inc., as the party with which LILCO had entered into the Electric Service Agreement on May 12, 1998.

The Electric Power Service Agreement listed above was entered into under LILCO's Power Sales Umbrella Tariff as reflected in LILCO's amended filing on February 6, 1998, with the Commission in Docket No. OA98–5–000. The February 6, 1998, filing essentially brings LILCO's Power Sales Umbrella Tariff in compliance with the unbundling requirements of the Commission's Order No. 888.

LILCO requests waiver of the Commission's sixty (60) day notice requirements and an effective date of May 12, 1998, for the Electric Power Service Agreement listed above because in accordance with the policy announced in Prior Notice and Filing Requirements Under Part II of the Federal Power Act, 64 FERC ¶ 61,139, clarified and reh'g granted in part and denied in part, 65 FERC ¶ 61,081 (1993), service will be provided under an umbrella tariff and the Electric Power Service Agreement is being filed either prior to or within thirty (30) days of the commencement of service.

LILCO has served copies of this filing on the customer which is a party to the Electric Power Service Agreement and on the New York State Public Service Commission.

Comment date: June 17, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

5. UtiliCorp United Inc.

[Docket No. ER98–3124–000]

Take notice that on May 28, 1998, UtiliCorp United Inc. (UtiliCorp), filed service agreements with PacifiCorp Power Marketing, Inc., for service under its Non-Firm Point-to-Point open access service tariff for its operating divisions, Missouri Public Service and WestPlains Energy-Kansas.

Comment date: June 17, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

6. UtiliCorp United Inc.

[Docket No. ER98–3125–000]

Take notice that on May 28, 1998, UtiliCorp United Inc. (UtiliCorp), filed service agreements with PacifiCorp Power Marketing, Inc., for service under