

adverse financial effect on the NAEP program. The discussion of this information would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action if conducted in open session. Such matters are protected by exemption 9(B) of Section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

The full Board will convene in open session beginning at 8:15 a.m. In addition to the approval of the agenda and the swearing-in of a new board member, this session includes a report from the Executive Director, and an update on the NAEP project.

Subject Area Committee #2 will meet in closed session from 9:45–11:00 a.m. From 9:45–10:30 a.m., the Committee will discuss the draft RFP for the NAEP 2004 math assessment. This portion of the meeting must be conducted in closed session because public disclosure of this information would likely have an adverse financial effect on the NAEP program. The discussion of this information would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action if conducted in open session. Such matters are protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

In closed session, from 10:30–11:00 a.m., Subject Area Committee #2 will discuss proposed test items for the Voluntary National Test (VNT) in 8th grade mathematics. The discussion will reference specific items for the assessment, the disclosure of which might significantly frustrate implementation of the VNT. This meeting must be closed to the public because reference may be made to data which may be misinterpreted, incorrect, or incomplete. Premature disclosure of this data might significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. Such matters are protected by exemption 9(B) of 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

There will be open meetings of the Reporting and Dissemination Committee and the Design and Methodology Committee from 9:45–11:00 a.m. Agenda items for the Reporting and Dissemination Committee include review of plans for the release of NEAP reports; reporting issues for Math 2000; and an update on the development of score reporting materials for the Voluntary National Tests. The Design and Methodology Committee will hear a briefing on plans for replenishing Voluntary National Test items and test forms; and a briefing on analysis options on minimizing non-comparability of trends in State NAEP for science and math.

The full Board will reconvene in partially closed session from 11:15 a.m.

to 3:30 p.m. In open session, 11:15 a.m.–12:00 noon, the Board will hear an update on the achievement level reporting process. The Board will then meet in closed session from 12:00–1:15 p.m. to hear a briefing on the NAEP Civics Trend Report 1988–1998. The report will include references to specific items from the assessments that have not been released to the public. This portion of the meeting must be closed because reference may be made to data that may be misinterpreted, incorrect, or incomplete. Premature disclosure of these data might significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. Such matters are protected by exemption 9(B) of section 552b(c) of Title 5 U.S.C.

From 1:15–4:00 p.m. the board will meet in open session. Agenda items for this portion of the meeting include an update and discussion on NAEP/NAGB and VNT reauthorization issues; discussion of issues concerning schools participation in NAEP; an update on the NAEP Foreign Language Framework; and review of the contract with AIR for the Voluntary National Tests.

On Saturday, March 4 the Nominations Committee will meet in open session from 7:30–8:30 a.m. The Committee will discuss and approve the plan for review, rating, and compiling the list of recommended nominees to fill potential Board vacancies; consider the process for soliciting nominations for additional nominees.

Also, on March 4, the full Board will meet in open session from 8:30 a.m. until adjournment, approximately 12:00 noon. The Board will hear a presentation on parents and assessment literacy, and continue discussion on issues concerning schools participation in NAEP. This meeting of the National Assessment Governing Board will conclude with the presentation of committee reports and Board actions.

A summary of the activities of the closed, partially closed sessions, and other related matters which are informative to the public and consistent with the policy of the section 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), will be available to the public within 14 days after the meeting. Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment Governing Board, Suite #825, 800 North Capitol Street, NW, Washington, D.C., from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Roy Truby,

Executive Director, National Assessment Governing Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP00–80–000]

Glacier Gas Company, North American Resources Company, Energy West Resources, Inc; Notice of Application

February 16, 2000.

Take notice that on February 9, 2000, Glacier Gas Company (Glacier), 40 East Broadway, Butte, Montana 59701, North America Resources Company (NARCO), 16 East Granite, Butte, Montana 59701, and Energy West Resources, Inc. (Energy Resources), No. 1, First Ave. South, Great Falls, Montana 59403, filed in Docket No. CP00–80–000 an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for authorization to abandon Glaciers existing interstate pipeline facilities by sale to NARCO and Energy Resources. The applicants further request a determination that the facilities will be nonjurisdictional gathering after the transfer. The facilities are located in Wyoming and Montana, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The application may be viewed on the web at www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm. Call (202) 208–2222 for assistance.

The applicants seek approval and nonjurisdictional determination to permit: (1) Glacier to abandon its certificate responsibilities; (2) NARCO to acquire and operate on a nonjurisdictional basis Glacier's production and other assets located in the Heart Mountain Field; and (3) Energy Resources to acquire and operate as a nonjurisdictional gathering line (a) Glacier's remaining facilities, (b) additional facilities to be purchased from the Montana Power Company and (c) additional facilities to be constructed by Energy Resources.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Douglas M. Canter, Esq., McCarthy, Sweeney & Harkaway, P.C., 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20006 at (202) 393–5710.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before March 8, 2000, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 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 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 Glacier, NARCO, or Energy Resources to appear or be represented at the hearing.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-220-004]

Great Lakes Gas Transmission Limited Partnership; Notice of Negotiated Rate Agreements

February 16, 2000.

Take notice that on February 1, 2000, Great Lakes Gas Transmission Limited Partnership (Great Lakes) filed for disclosure, a transportation service agreement pursuant to Great Lakes' Rate Schedule FT entered into by Great Lakes and CXY Energy Marketing (U.S.A.) Inc. (CXY) (FT Service Agreement). The FT Service Agreement being filed reflects a negotiated rate arrangement between Great Lakes and CXY commencing February 1, 2000.

Great Lakes states that the FT Service Agreement is being filed to implement a negotiated rate contract as required by

both Great Lakes' negotiated rate tariff provisions and the Commission's Statement of Policy on Alternatives to Traditional Cost-of-Service Ratemaking for Natural Gas Pipelines and Regulation of Negotiated Transportation Services of Natural Gas Pipelines, issued January 31, 1996, at Docket Nos. RM95-6-000 and RM96-7-000.

Any person desiring to protest said 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 on or before February 23, 2000. 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 proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP00-77-000]

Maritimes & Northeast Pipelines L.L.C.; Notice of Application

February 16, 2000.

Take notice that on February 1, 2000, Maritimes & Northwest Pipeline, L.L.C. (Maritimes) tendered for filing in the captioned docket an abbreviated application for certificate of public and necessity (Application) under Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Section 157.7 of the regulation of the Commission, seeking authorization to establish an initial incremental rate for service under Rate Schedule MNLFT on Maritimes' new Bucksport Lateral.

Maritimes states that it will construct the Bucksport Lateral pursuant to its automatic blanket construction certificate authority. The Bucksport Lateral will extend from Maritimes' existing mainline facilities in the Orrington, Maine area to distribution facilities that Bangor Gas Company (Bangor Gas) will be constructing. Pursuant to a firm transportation agreement under Rate Schedule MNLFT, Maritimes has agreed to

provide Bangor Gas with 50,000 dekathems per day for firm lateral line service on the Bucksport Lateral, and Bangor Gas has agreed to pay the maximum cost-based initial rate for service on the Bucksport Lateral established in the instant proceeding.

Maritimes requests that the Commission issue a final order by April 1, 2000, approving the initial incremental rate for service on the Bucksport Lateral.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said Application should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed on or before February 23, 2000. 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 proceedings. 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 in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call (202) 208-2222 for assistance).

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 NGA, 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 petition to intervene is filed within the time required herein or if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the Application is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a petition 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 Maritimes to appear or be represented at the hearing.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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