

deceptive acts in or affecting commerce (15 U.S.C. 45(a)) or other laws or regulations prohibiting such acts.

In order to rely on the Privacy Shield for transfers of personal data from Switzerland, an organization must self-certify its adherence to the Principles to the DOC, be placed by ITA on the Privacy Shield List, and remain on the Privacy Shield List. To self-certify for the Privacy Shield, an organization must provide to the DOC a self-certification submission that contains the information specified in the Privacy Shield Principles. The Privacy Shield self-certification form would be the means by which an organization would provide the relevant information to ITA.

ITA has committed to follow up with organizations that have been removed from the Privacy Shield List. ITA will send questionnaires to organizations that fail to complete the annual certification or who have withdrawn from the Privacy Shield to verify whether they will return, delete, or continue to apply the Principles to the personal information that they received while they participated in the Privacy Shield, and if personal information will be retained, verify who within the organization will serve as an ongoing point of contact for Privacy Shield-related questions.

In addition, ITA has committed to conduct compliance reviews on an ongoing basis, including through sending detailed questionnaires to participating organizations. In particular, such compliance reviews shall take place when: (a) The DOC has received specific non-frivolous complaints about an organization's compliance with the Principles, (b) an organization does not respond satisfactorily to inquiries by the DOC for information relating to the Privacy Shield, or (c) there is credible evidence that an organization does not comply with its commitments under the Privacy Shield.

The proposed information collection for the Swiss-U.S. Privacy Shield Framework is substantially similar to the previously approved information collection for the EU-U.S. Privacy Shield Framework (OMB Control Number: 0625-0276).

## II. Method of Collection

The Privacy Shield self-certification is submitted electronically by organizations through the DOC's Privacy Shield Web site (<https://www.privacyshield.gov/>). It is anticipated that the Privacy Shield questionnaires and the corresponding responses provided by organizations would be conveyed electronically via

email or through the DOC's Privacy Shield Web site.

## III. Data

*OMB Control Number:* None.

*Form Number(s):* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Affected Public:* primarily businesses or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,700.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 38 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 2,215.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$2,118,150.

## IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

**Sheleen Dumas,**

*PRA Departmental Lead, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**RIN 0648-XF168**

### Whaling Provisions; Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling Quotas

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice; notification of quota for bowhead whales.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS notifies the public of the aboriginal subsistence whaling quota for bowhead whales that it has assigned to the Alaska Eskimo Whaling

Commission (AEWC), and of limitations on the use of the quota deriving from regulations of the International Whaling Commission (IWC). For 2017, the quota is 75 bowhead whales struck. This quota and other applicable limitations govern the harvest of bowhead whales by members of the AEWC.

**DATES:** Effective January 19, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** Office for International Affairs and Seafood Inspection, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Carolyn Doherty, (301) 427-8385.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Aboriginal subsistence whaling in the United States is governed by the Whaling Convention Act (WCA) (16 U.S.C. 916 *et seq.*). Under the WCA, IWC regulations shall generally become effective with respect to all persons and vessels subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, within 90 days of notification from the IWC Secretariat of an amendment to the IWC Schedule (16 U.S.C. 916k). Regulations that implement the WCA, found at 50 CFR 230.6, require the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) to publish, at least annually, aboriginal subsistence whaling quotas and any other limitations on aboriginal subsistence whaling deriving from regulations of the IWC.

At the 64th Annual Meeting of the IWC, the Commission set catch limits for aboriginal subsistence use of bowhead whales from the Bering-Chukchi-Beaufort Seas stock. The bowhead catch limits were based on a joint request by the United States and the Russian Federation, accompanied by documentation concerning the needs of two Native groups: Alaska Eskimos and Chukotka Natives in the Russian Far East.

The IWC set a 6-year block catch limit of 336 bowhead whales landed. For each of the years 2013 through 2018, the number of bowhead whales struck may not exceed 67, except that any unused portion of a strike quota from any prior year may be carried forward. No more than 15 strikes may be added to the strike quota for any one year. At the end of the 2016 harvest, there were 15 unused strikes available for carry-forward, so the combined strike quota set by the IWC for 2017 is 82 (67 + 15).

An arrangement between the United States and the Russian Federation ensures that the total quota of bowhead whales landed and struck in 2017 will not exceed the limits set by the IWC. Under this arrangement, the Russian natives may use no more than seven

strikes, and the Alaska Eskimos may use no more than 75 strikes.

Through its cooperative agreement with the AEWG, NOAA has assigned 75 strikes to the Alaska Eskimos. The AEWG will in turn allocate these strikes among the 11 villages whose cultural and subsistence needs have been documented, and will ensure that its hunters use no more than 75 strikes.

#### Other Limitations

The IWC regulations, as well as the NOAA regulation at 50 CFR 230.4(c), forbid the taking of calves or any whale accompanied by a calf.

NOAA regulations (at 50 CFR 230.4) contain a number of other prohibitions relating to aboriginal subsistence whaling, some of which are summarized here:

- Only licensed whaling captains or crew under the control of those captains may engage in whaling.
- Captains and crew must follow the provisions of the relevant cooperative agreement between NOAA and a Native American whaling organization.
- The aboriginal hunters must have adequate crew, supplies, and equipment to engage in an efficient operation.
- Crew may not receive money for participating in the hunt.
- No person may sell or offer for sale whale products from whales taken in the hunt, except for authentic articles of Native American handicrafts.
- Captains may not continue to whale after the relevant quota is taken, after the season has been closed, or if their licenses have been suspended. They may not engage in whaling in a wasteful manner.

Dated: January 13, 2017.

#### John Henderschedt,

Director, Office for International Affairs and Seafood Inspection, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

#### Filings Instituting Proceedings

*Docket Number:* PR17-15-000.  
*Applicants:* Columbia Gas of Maryland, Inc.

*Description:* Tariff filing per 284.123(b), (e)/: CMD SOC to be effective 1/1/2017; Filing Type: 980.

*Filed Date:* 1/5/2017.  
*Accession Number:* 201701055071.  
*Comments/Protests Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/26/17.

*Docket Number:* PR17-16-000.  
*Applicants:* Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.  
*Description:* Tariff filing per 284.123(b), (e)/: COH SOC to be effective 12/30/2016; Filing Type: 980.

*Filed Date:* 1/6/2017.  
*Accession Number:* 201701065044.  
*Comments/Protests Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/27/17.

*Docket Number:* RP17-325-000.  
*Applicants:* Northern Natural Gas Company.  
*Description:* § 4(d) Rate Filing: 20161219 FDD Cycle Quantity Increase to be effective 6/1/2017.

*Filed Date:* 1/5/17.  
*Accession Number:* 20170105-5083.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/17/17.

*Docket Number:* RP17-326-000.  
*Applicants:* Elba Express Company, L.L.C.

*Description:* § 4(d) Rate Filing: Shell Phase I Negotiated Rate to be effective 2/10/2017.

*Filed Date:* 1/5/17.  
*Accession Number:* 20170105-5136.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/17/17.

*Docket Number:* RP17-327-000.  
*Applicants:* Rockies Express Pipeline LLC.

*Description:* § 4(d) Rate Filing: Neg Rate 2017-01-05 BP to be effective 1/6/2017.

*Filed Date:* 1/5/17.  
*Accession Number:* 20170105-5170.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/17/17.

*Docket Number:* RP17-328-000.  
*Applicants:* Dominion Carolina Gas Transmission, LLC.

*Description:* § 4(d) Rate Filing: DCGT—Web site Notification to be effective 2/6/2017.

*Filed Date:* 1/6/17.  
*Accession Number:* 20170106-5098.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/18/17.

*Docket Number:* RP17-329-000.  
*Applicants:* Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC.

*Description:* § 4(d) Rate Filing: Negotiated Rate Agreement—Castleton 510984 to be effective 1/8/2017.

*Filed Date:* 1/6/17.  
*Accession Number:* 20170106-5133.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/18/17.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but

intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

#### Filings in Existing Proceedings

*Docket Number:* RP16-1179-002.  
*Applicants:* Equitrans, L.P.  
*Description:* Compliance filing Negotiated Rate Service Agreement—Revised EQT Energy OVC Agreement to be effective 10/1/2016.

*Filed Date:* 12/21/16.  
*Accession Number:* 20161221-5081.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/13/17.  
*Docket Number:* RP17-197-002.  
*Applicants:* Dominion Cove Point LNG, LP.

*Description:* Compliance filing DCP—2016 Section 4 General Rate Case Compliance to be effective 1/1/2017.

*Filed Date:* 1/5/17.  
*Accession Number:* 20170105-5086.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/17/17.

Any person desiring to protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rule 211 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the links or querying the docket number.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf>. For other information, call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Dated: January 9, 2017.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Combined Notice of Filings

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

#### Filings Instituting Proceedings

*Docket Numbers:* RP17-50-000.  
*Applicants:* Columbia Gulf Transmission, LLC.

*Description:* Report Filing: Columbia Gulf Section 5 Settlement Refund Report.

*Filed Date:* 1/10/17.  
*Accession Number:* 20170110-5055.  
*Comments Due:* 5 p.m. ET 1/23/17.

*Docket Numbers:* RP17-332-000.