

Texas Eastern for all construction expenses for the proposed metering and regulating station.

Texas Eastern also proposes to abandon and remove the existing metering and regulating station (constructed in 1950) currently adjacent to the proposed facilities once the new metering and regulating station has been constructed. Texas Eastern states that it delivers up to 16,000 Dekatherms of natural gas per day at the current metering and regulating station and that PSE&G has requested Texas Eastern to deliver up to 60,000 Dekatherms via the proposed facilities. Texas Eastern would deliver the new quantities of natural gas under its open-access rate schedules and existing contracts with PSE&G. Since Texas Eastern would not abandon the existing metering and regulating facilities until after the new facilities have been completed, no natural gas service to PSE&G or any other existing Texas Eastern customer would be interrupted or abandoned.

Comment date: May 17, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph G at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraphs

G. Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after the 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 If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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[Docket No. RM95-4-000]

Revisions to Uniform System of Accounts, Forms, Statements, and Reporting Requirements for Natural Gas Companies

Issued April 2, 1996.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Order On Electronic and Paper Filing Specifications for Form No. 11.

SUMMARY: The Commission is adopting final electronic filing specifications for the Form No. 11, entitled "Instruction Manual for Electronic Filing of Form No. 11," and instructions for filing the Form No. 11 on paper.

DATES: Pipelines must implement the data sets for Form No. 11 on May 15, 1996.

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- Logon to the FedWorld system
- Type: /go FERC

Order on Electronic and Paper Filing Specifications for Form No. 11

September 28, 1995, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) issued Order No. 581, amending its Uniform System of Accounts, its forms, and its reports and statements for natural gas companies.¹ These changes necessitated that modifications be made to the Commission's electronic filing requirements. In this order, the Commission is adopting electronic and paper filing specifications for the Form No. 11, and authorizing the Commission staff to issue in the future, further electronic and paper filing specifications related to the forms that were modified by Order Nos. 581 and 582.²

I. Background

Order No. 581 contains several new and revised electronic filing requirements. Interstate pipelines transporting or storing gas under subparts B and G must now provide an electronic Index of Customers through a downloadable file that is updated quarterly.³ The discount rate report, previously filed only on paper, will now be filed both on paper and electronically.⁴ In addition, Order No.

¹ Revisions to Uniform System of Accounts, Forms, Statements, and Reporting Requirements for Natural Gas Companies, 60 FR 53,019 (October 11, 1995), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 581, 74 FERC ¶ 61,223 (1996).

² Filing Requirements for Interstate Natural Gas Company Rate Schedules and Tariffs, 60 FR 52,960 (October 11, 1995). Order No. 582 is a companion order to Order No. 581, which revised the regulations governing the form and composition of interstate natural gas pipeline tariffs and filing requirements. Order No. 582 required that changes be made to the electronic specifications for filings under subpart D of Part 154. Work on these filing specifications will be completed by the working group established for that purpose.

³ See 18 CFR 284.106(c) and 284.223(b). II FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶¶ 24,866 and 24,943. No paper copies of the Index of Customers are required to be filed. The Notice Adopting Electronic Filing Specifications for the Index of Customers and Discount Transportation Rate Report was issued on February 29, 1996, in Docket No. RM95-4-000.

⁴ See 18 CFR 284.7(c)(6). II FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 24,847. In its "Order on Clarification and Granting Rehearing Solely for the Purpose of Further Consideration," 73 FERC ¶ 61,215 (1995), the Commission clarified that the discount rate reports should be filed solely on paper until the electronic

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581 required that the electronic filing requirements for Form Nos. 2, 2-A, and 11 be modified to recognize changes made to these forms.

Although Order No. 581 required that revisions to existing electronic filing requirements be made, it did not include the final electronic filing specifications. The Commission wanted to provide the industry the opportunity to participate in the formulation of the specifications and formats for the electronic filing requirements. To ensure the widest possible input, the Commission directed its staff to convene an informal technical conference. The first conference was convened on December 1, 1995. Subsequent conferences were held on December 12, 1995, and February 7, 1996. As a result of the discussions at those meetings, the staff has formulated the final electronic filing requirements for the Form No. 11.⁵ Staff has also made minor modifications to the paper version of the Form No. 11, and to the paper filing specifications included in the form, to ensure conformity between the electronic and paper versions of the form.

The final electronic filing specifications for the Form No. 11, entitled "Instruction Manual for Electronic Filing of the Form No. 11" and the instructions for filing the Form No. 11 on paper, are attached to this order as Appendices A and B, respectively.⁶

The first electronic filing of the Form No. 11 under the new filing instructions will be May 15, 1996. May 15 is one of the four scheduled filing dates provided for in section 260.3 of the Commission's regulations. Details of the electronic filing specifications and the modifications to the instructions for filing on paper are described below.

II. Electronic Filing Specifications for Form No. 11

Consistent with the convention adopted in the manuals for electronic filing of the Index of Customers and discount rate reports, a three-character code to identify the filing pipeline will

be used. Previously, the electronic filing requirements for Form No. 11 specified a six-digit company code available from the Energy Information Agency. In the future, the three-digit code assigned by the Commission as part of the docket number in all dockets with the prefix "TM," will be used to identify the filing pipeline. The new code's short length allows it to be used not only in the data, but as part of the filename. A complete list of the pipelines' three-digit codes is included in these filing specifications.

The file naming convention adopted for the Index of Customers and discount rate reports is adapted for use with the Form No. 11. The filename contains a letter code of E to designate the file as containing Form No. 11 data. The name also contains the three-digit pipeline code so all parties will be able to identify the file as originating from a particular filing company. Finally, the name incorporates the last two digits of the year of the report period, and Q1, Q2, Q3, or Q4 to designate the calendar quarter being reported.

All lines of Part II of the form must be entered, even though some information may not apply to all filing companies. For example, if the filing company does not have any sales rate schedules, it must still enter a record for line 1, Total Sales. The record would consist of the record identifier, D, the line number 1, and the text, Total Sales, interspersed with tabs and followed by a hard return.

In addition to the file specifications and definitions, the filing instructions contain aids to filing. One such aid is a presentation of a sample tab-delimited file, and a sample of what it would look like when displayed in a text editor. These samples are intended to help the pipeline accurately create the file. Also included is a section entitled "File Creation Hints/ Do's and Don'ts, which contains helpful hints on creating a tab-delimited file in several popular software applications.

III. Paper Filing Specifications for Form No. 11

In the process of developing the electronic filing specifications for Form No. 11, it became apparent that not all of the paper copy instructions were conducive to translation into electronic filing specifications. In order to accurately capture the data reported on the Form No. 11 electronically, certain modifications to the paper form are necessary.

The Commission's regulations at section 385.2011(c)(5) require the respondent to state that the paper copies contain the same information as

contained on the electronic media.⁷ Thus, minor modifications are being made to the instructions for filing Form No. 11 on paper to ensure conformity between the paper version of Form No. 11 and the electronic version. Making the two versions of the Form No. 11 agree also enables the respondent to use the electronic file to create the paper version of the form, reducing the chances of inadvertent inconsistencies between the two versions. The specific changes to Form No. 11 are listed below, and appear in the revised form attached at Appendix B.

Under Item IV, "What and Where to Submit," of the General Information section, a second paragraph is added noting that Form No. 11 must be filed electronically as well as on paper. This paragraph is added to ensure that all respondents are aware that Form No. 11 must be filed both on paper and electronically.

In the electronic instructions, all negative amounts must be designated using a "-" in front of the first nonzero digit. General Instruction II is modified to permit negative amounts to be reported by either placing a "-" in front of the number, or by enclosing the number in parentheses.

The second sentence in General Instruction IV, requiring a footnoted item to be marked with an X, is removed. Footnote identification is conformed to the footnote identification in the electronic filing specifications discussed below.

In the previously effective electronic filing requirements, items which were not applicable were designated with a ".001." In the new electronic filing requirements, items not applicable are left blank. To conform the paper copy instructions to the electronic instructions, General Instruction VI is added. If a data item is not applicable (for example, a respondent has no storage rate schedules), its value must be omitted, that is, left blank. If a report item applies to the respondent (for example, the respondent has a sales rate schedule in its tariff, but there are no data to report during the month reported), its value is entered as "0".

The specific instruction previously applicable to lines numbered 6-7 and 10-11 now refers to lines numbered 2.001, 2.002 and 4.001, 4.002 to recognize the line numbering adopted in the electronic filing specifications. On the paper version of the form, the number of lines necessary to report transportation and storage data varies by pipeline, since the number of transportation and storage rate

filing specifications are issued. The Notice Adopting Electronic Filing Specifications for the Index of Customers and Discount Transportation Rate Report was issued on February 29, 1996, in Docket No. RM95-4-000.

⁵ Work on Form Nos. 2 and 2-A will be completed by the working group established for that purpose. That working group, "Forms," met again on March 20, 1996.

⁶ These Appendices are not being published in the Federal Register. These filing formats can be obtained by writing to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, Division of Information Services, Washington, DC 20426, or in person in Room 2A, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC.

⁷ 18 CFR 385.2011(c)(5).

schedules varies. The line number on the paper version, therefore, has no special connotation. Conversely, the line number in the electronic filing identifies the type of data being entered. For example line number 1 always refers to sales data and line 7, Gathering-Firm. Since the transportation and storage data may require any number of lines, associating that data with specific line numbers is not feasible. In the electronic filing, the headings at lines 2, Transportation of Gas for Others, and 4, Storage, are not reported, making some other means of identifying the rate schedules as either transportation or storage necessary. Adopting the sequential numbering 2.001, 2.002, 2.003, *etc.*, identifies all items with the prefix 2 as related to transportation rate schedules. Similarly, all numbers in the sequence 4.001, 4.002, 4.003, *etc.*, identify these items as related to storage rate schedules. This method of line numbering permits any number of rows of transportation and storage data to be reported without disturbing the rest of the line numbering sequence.

The line numbering on Part II of the paper version of Form No. 11 is modified to be consistent with the line numbering in the electronic filing instructions. A sentence is added to the specific instruction explaining how the lines are to be numbered.

A new specific instruction is added to explain how footnotes are identified on Parts I and II. The new instructions read as follows:

"In Part I, enter a footnote reference for each item footnoted. The reference shall be a concatenation of the letter of the item footnoted and the number of the footnote. Enter the footnote number together with the footnote text in Part III. Enter up to ten footnote references separated by /. Refer to the item footnoted in the first position of the footnote reference (*e.g.*, e2 indicates footnote 2 applies to item e, the company's name. Use x if the footnote applies to the entire table, *e.g.*, x3)."

"In Part II, the footnote reference shall be a concatenation of the column letter and the footnote number. Enter the footnote number together with the footnote text in Part III. Enter up to ten footnote references separated by /. Refer to the item footnoted in the first position of the footnote reference (*e.g.*, c5 indicates footnote 5 applies to the number in column c, the quantity. Use x if the footnote applies to the entire table, *e.g.*, x7)."

Two additional instructions are added to clarify that the pipeline name must be the full legal name of the pipeline, and that the pipeline code is the three-digit FERC pipeline code. The Commission's ultimate goal is to discontinue paper filing. These two data elements will be crucial to identification of the data as

coming from a particular respondent. To ensure consistent reporting between the paper version and electronic version of the form, the pipeline code is added to the identification information on the paper form.

Subsequent to the turn of the century, many software programs will have difficulty processing dates which identify only the last two digits of the year. To avoid this potential difficulty, all dates reported in the form will contain all four digits of the year to be reported. Therefore, the Report Period is clarified to require begin and end dates in the format MM/DD/YYYY. Similarly, the submission date is formatted as MM/DD/YYYY.

The components of the address of the filing company are no longer listed horizontally. They will now be entered vertically with the number and street of the address on one line and the city, state, and zip code on another line. This arrangement allows the information on Part I to be ordered as it appears in the electronic record.

The numbers (1) and (2) appearing before the signature and phone number, respectively, are removed. These numbers do not appear in the electronic record.

A space to enter a footnote designation is added to provide the filing company the opportunity to record a footnote on Part I if appropriate. For example, a company which recently changed its name may wish to enter a footnote to highlight the name change.

Items reported on Part I are no longer designated by a number, but by a letter. This change conforms the paper copy to the electronic copy of the form.

On Part II, Revenue Data, the heading Total Quantities and Revenues is changed to Total Quantities (1000s of Dth) and Revenues (1000s of \$) to clarify the instructions for reporting these items. An instruction is added to indicate that the month reported must be in the format MM/YYYY. The line numbering is changed to incorporate the new line numbering for transportation and storage rate schedules as explained above.

Part III, Footnotes, is modified by replacing the columns entitled Line No. Reference and Column Reference with a single column entitled Footnote Number. As discussed above, this change conforms the method of incorporating footnotes on the paper copy of Form No. 11 to the method adopted in the electronic version of Form No. 11. Since the location of the footnote is no longer dependent on knowing the month reported, this item is eliminated.

The Commission Orders

(A) The specifications for filing the Form No. 11 electronically and on paper are adopted.

(B) The Commission staff is authorized to issue in the future, further electronic and paper filing specifications related to the forms that were modified by Order Nos. 581 and 582.

By the Commission.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Science Advisory Board Request for Nomination of Members and Consultants

In accordance with its standard operating procedures (SAB-FRL-2657-4 dated August 21, 1984), the Science Advisory Board (SAB), including the Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) and the Clean Air Act Compliance Advisory Council (CAACAC), of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is soliciting nominations for Members and Consultants (M/Cs). As part of this effort, the Agency is publishing this notice to describe the purpose of the SAB and to invite the public to nominate appropriately qualified candidates of any gender or ethnic background to fill upcoming vacancies. This process supplements other efforts to identify qualified candidates.

The SAB is composed of Non-Federal Government scientists and engineers who are employed on an intermittent basis to provide independent advice directly to the EPA Administrator on technical aspects of public health and environmental issues confronting the Agency. Members of the SAB are appointed by the Administrator—generally in October—to serve two years terms with some possibilities for reappointment. Consultants are appointed throughout the year, as the need arises, by the Staff Director of the Science Advisory Board to serve renewable one-year terms and serve on SAB committees, as needed. Many individuals serve as consultants prior to serving as members.

Any interested person or organization may nominate qualified persons to serve on the SAB. Nominees should be qualified by education, training and