

[Docket No. TM97-1-37-000]

**Northwest Pipeline Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff**

September 3, 1996.

Take notice that on August 29, 1996, Northwest Pipeline Corporation (Northwest) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff the following tariff sheets, to become effective October 1, 1996:

*Third Revised Volume No. 1*

Eighth Revised Sheet No. 5

Seventh Revised Sheet No. 8

*Original Volume No. 2*

Twenty-First Revised Sheet No. 2.2

Northwest states that the purpose of this filing is to update Northwest's tariff to reflect the Commission approved Annual Charge Adjustment (ACA) factor to be effective for the twelve-month period beginning October 1, 1996 pursuant to Section 154.402 of the Commission's regulations and Section 16 of the General Terms and Conditions of Northwest's tariff. Northwest states that its new ACA factor will be .20¢ per MMBtu, a reduction of .02¢ per MMBtu from its current ACA factor.

Any person desiring to be heard or protest this filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. 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 proceeding. 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

*Secretary.*

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[Docket Nos. ER96-1663-000, EC96-19-000 and EL96-48-000]

**Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company; Notice of Speakers and Panels for Technical Conference**

August 30, 1996.

As previously announced (61 FR 42878 (Aug. 19, 1996)), the Commission Staff will convene a two-day technical

conference in the captioned proceedings to be held on Thursday, September 12 and Friday, September 13, 1996, at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426. The technical conference will commence at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 12, 1996. The starting time for the second day of the technical conference, Friday September 13, 1996, has been changed to 9:00 a.m. The technical conference will be open to all interested persons.

More interested persons desired to speak at the technical conference than the time allotted would have allowed. Therefore, based on the requests to participate, the Commission Staff has assembled panels of speakers representing a broad spectrum of interests and views for each panel. A list of the speakers and panels for the technical conference is contained in the Attachment.

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Lois D. Cashell,

*Secretary.*

**Panels for Staff Conference on WEPEX**

Each panelist should plan on a five minute presentation followed by questions from the Commission Staff.

*Thursday, September 12, 1996 Agenda*

**Panel 1—Market Power**

The panelists will discuss the market power analyses presented by the applicants, including related topics, such as the role of demand-side bidding; effect of any performance-based ratemaking; the role of the power exchange; the appropriate monitoring program; any mitigation measures that may be needed; and the effect of zones on market power; as well as other issues concerning market power that participants wish to address.

Joe D. Pace, for Pacific Gas & Electric Company

Paul Joskow, Elizabeth and James Killian, Professor of Economics and Management, Head, Department of Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, for Southern California Edison Company

William Hieronymus, for San Diego Gas & Electric Company

Scott Hempling, Toward Utility Rate Normalization

Evelyn K. Elsesser, Energy Producers and Users Coalition

Dennis W. Carlton, for Sacramento Municipal Utility District

Sara D. Schotland, Electricity Consumers Resource Council

**Lunch**

**Panel 2—Transmission Pricing**

The panelists will discuss transmission pricing issues, including cost recovery and access charges; market efficiency, cost shifting; congestion management issues; ancillary services and losses issues; and the appropriate use of zones.

Stephen J. Metague, Manager of Grid Customer Services, Pacific Gas & Electric Company

Maureen Palmer, Bulk Power Special Projects, Los Angeles, Department of Water and Power

Barbara Barkovich, for California Large Energy Consumers' Association

Clifford B. Rochlin, Market Advisor, Southern California Gas Company

W. Kent Palmerton, Manager of Industry Restructuring Programs, Northern California Power Agency

Larry Klein, City and County of San Francisco, California

*Friday, September 13, 1996 Agenda*

**Panel 3—Transmission Expansion and Transmission Rights/TCCs**

The panelists will discuss transmission expansion issues, including who builds and pays for new facilities and the proper incentives to ensure that necessary new transmission facilities are constructed. The panelists will also discuss physical transmission rights and role of financial instruments, *i.e.*, Transmission Congestion Contracts (TCCs). The Commission staff is interested in comments addressing the interaction of proposed WEPEX transmission rights and TCCs with the Commission's pending CRT proposal.

Geoff Gaebe, Group Manager, San Diego Gas & Electric Company

Ron Nunnally, Manager of Grid Planning and Strategy, Southern California Edison Company

Jeffrey K. Hartman, Director, Wholesale, Cogeneration and UEG Segments, Southern California Gas Company

Robert A. Levin, Senior Vice-President of the New York Mercantile Exchange

Keith McCrea, California Manufacturers Association

W. Kent Palmerton, Manager of Industry Restructuring Programs, Northern California Power Agency

**Panel 4—ISO Facilities and Operations**

The panelists will discuss the transmission/distribution split; what control will be transferred from utilities to the ISO; the ISO's integration of national, regional and individual transmission owner operational criteria; and the incentives the ISO will have to achieve operational efficiency.

Dennis N. Benevides, Senior  
Transmission Planning Engineer,  
Pacific Gas & Electric Company

Sohrab A. Yari, Transmission Planning  
Supervisor, San Diego Gas & Electric  
Company

Armie Perez, Manager of Transmission  
Planning, Southern California Edison  
Company

Marcie Edwards, Director of Bulk  
Power, Los Angeles Department of  
Water and Power

Chris Kiriakou, Assistant General  
Manager of Energy Resources, Turlock  
Irrigation District

Jeffrey C. Miller, Supervisor of  
Transmission Planning for the  
Sacramento Municipal Utility District  
and Chairman of the Western Systems  
Coordinating Council (WSCC)  
Reliability Subcommittee

**Lunch****Panel 5—Scheduling, Bidding,  
Settlements and the Role of Scheduling  
Coordinators**

The panelists will discuss the integration of PX bidding and bilateral schedules; the types of information that should flow among the PX, ISO and scheduling coordinators; the advantages and disadvantages of ISO/PX separation; unit commitment decision making; ancillary services issues; must-run and overgeneration criteria.

John Ballance, Manager of Grid  
Dispatch, Southern California Edison  
Company

Susan J. Mara, Director of Transmission  
Policy and Pricing, Pacific Gas &  
Electric Company

Eric C. Woychik, Utility Consumers'  
Action Network

Jan Smutny-Jones, Executive Director,  
Independent Energy Producers  
Association

Thomas Beach, for Watson Cogeneration  
Company

Barbara Barkovich, for California Large  
Energy Consumers Association

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**Steuben Gas Storage Company; Notice  
of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas  
Tariff**

September 3, 1996.

Take notice that on August 29, 1996, Steuben Gas Storage Company (Steuben) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 2, Fourth Revised Sheet No. 1(A), with a proposed effective date of October 1, 1996.

Steuben states that Fourth Revised Sheet No. 1(A) reflects the new ACA rate to be charged per the Annual Charge Adjustment clause provisions established by the Commission in Order No. 472, issued on May 29, 1987. The new ACA rate to be charged by Steuben will be effective October 1, 1996.

Steuben states that copies of the filing were served upon the company's Jurisdictional customers.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. 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 proceeding. 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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On August 22, 1996, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Applications, Office of Electric Power Regulation, granted requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by SDRI should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214).

Absent a request for hearing within this period, SDRI is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, indorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, and compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approval of SDRI's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is September 23, 1996. Copies of the full text of the order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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**Tarpon Transmission Company; Notice  
of Change in Annual Charge  
Adjustment**

September 3, 1996.

Take notice that on August 29, 1996, Tarpon Transmission Company (Tarpon) tendered for filing to be a part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, with a proposed effective date of October 1, 1996:

Fourteenth Revised Sheet No. 2A  
Fourth Revised Sheet No. 2E  
Seventh Revised Sheet No. 86A  
Ninth Revised Sheet No. 96A