154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP97-3-000]

Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

October 3, 1996.

Take notice that on October 1, 1996, Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation (Texas Eastern) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Pro Forma Sixth Revised Volume No. 1, the tariff sheets listed on Appendix A to the filing to become effective April 1, 1997.

Texas Eastern asserts that the purpose of the filing is to comply with the Commission's Order No. 587 issued July 17, 1996, in Docket No. RM96–1–000 and the "Notice Clarifying Procedures for Filing of Pro Forma Tariff Sheets", issued September 12, 1996.

Texas Eastern states that the purpose of the filing is to implement the requirements of Order No. 587 that interstate pipelines follow standardized procedures for critical business practices—nominations, allocations, balancing, measurement, invoicing, and capacity release.

Texas Eastern states that copies of the filing were served on firm customers of Texas Eastern, interested state commissions, and current interruptible customers.

Any person desiring to be heard or to 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 No. CP96-758-000]

Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Application

October 3, 1996.

Take notice that on August 30, 1996, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) P.O. Box 1396, Houston, Texas 77251, filed in Docket No. CP96-758-000 an application, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for (1) authorization to construct and operate a total of 77.58 miles of 30-inch pipeline and related facilities to expand the capacity of Transco's Southeast Louisiana Gathering System (SELGS) in offshore Louisiana and (2) approval of incremental initial rates for the firm transportation service to be rendered through the additional firm transportation capacity to be created by the expansion, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Transco states that in order to create new firm transportation capacity on the Southeast Louisiana Gathering System, Transco proposes to construct and operate the following facilities:

Phase I

- A platform in Ship Shoal Block 14, including associated piping modifications in Ship Shoal Blocks 14 and 28, offshore Louisiana, to connect the platform facilities to the west leg of the SELGS in Ship Shoal Block 28.
- Approximately 50.71 miles of 30-inch pipeline extending from the new platform in Ship Shoal Block 14 to a tie-in with the east leg of the SELGS in Ship Shoal Block 214.

Phase II

- A junction platform in South Timbalier Block 301.
- Approximately 26.87 miles of 30-inch pipeline extending from an interconnection with the Phase I facilities and Transco's Ship Shoal Block 214 junction platform to the new South Timbalier Block 301 junction platform.

Transco states that the proposed inservice dates for the Phase I and Phase II facilities are November 1, 1997 and November 1, 1998, respectively. Transco estimates that the cost of the overall project will be \$129,054,498. Transco states that the proposed facilities will be installed entirely offshore.

Transco states that the Phase I facilities will create firm transportation capacity of 380,113 Mcf per day from receipt points of Transco's system upstream of Ship Shoal Block 214 to Transco's Station 62 in Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana. Transco further states that once the Phase II facilities are placed into service, the aggregate firm transportation capacity created by the project between Ship Shoal Block 214 to Station 62 will be 659,732 Mcf per day. Transco states that the firm transportation service to be rendered through the new capacity will be performed under its Rate Schedule FT and Part 284(G) of the Commission's regulations. Transco notes that under Rate Schedule FT, shippers using the expansion will have secondary firm rights to delivery points located in Transco's Rate Zone 3 downstream of Station 62.

Transco states it does yet have commitments for the firm capacity generated by the project. However, Transco states it intends to make the expansion capacity available to all shippers by means of an open season and that it will notify the Commission of the commitments received from customers as soon as possible after the end of the open season period.

Transco proposes to charge incremental rates for service through the proposed expansion. For Phase I, Transco proposes to charge a monthly reservation rate of \$3.6614 per Mcf, and for Phase II a monthly reservation rate of \$3.3990 per Mcf. These rates are based on (1) the straight fixed-variable rate design methodology, (2) an incremental cost of service (with an incremental cost of service for Phase I and with costs of service of Phases I and II being combined into a single, incremental cost of service commencing with Phase II service), and (3) billing determinants assuming full subscription of the firm transportation capacity to be made available as a result of the project. Transco states that the proposed rates will not affect the rates for Transco's existing services.

Transco notes that, consistent with its "spindown" proposal in Docket No. CP96–206–000, it believes the proposed facilities qualify as non-jurisdictional gathering facilities exempt from the Commission's regulations under Section 1(b) of the Natural Gas Act.¹

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ On September 25, 1996, the Commission issued an order in Docket No. CP96–206–000, dismissing the application.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before October 24, 1996, 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 385.214 or 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 a grant of the certificate is 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 Transco to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP96-397-000]

Transwestern Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

October 3, 1996.

Take notice that on September 30, 1996 Transwestern Pipeline Company (Transwestern) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, with a proposed effective date of November 1, 1996:

2nd Revised Sheet No. 5B.02

Transwestern states that the purpose of this filing is to recover certain take-or-pay settlement, buy-out, buy-down, and contract reformation costs (TCR II Costs) paid by Transwestern. These costs qualify for recovery by Transwestern under Commission Order Nos. 500 and 528 et seq, as well as the terms and conditions of the Stipulation and Agreement ("Stipulation") filed by Transwestern in Docket No. RP95–271–000 and approved by Commission order dated July 27, 1995.

In this filing, Transwestern states that it is seeking recovery of \$1,618,306.42 in TCR II Costs and is submitting 2nd Revised Sheet No. 5B.02 and requesting authority to begin recovery of such amounts under the tariff sheet effective November 1, 1996.

Transwestern states that copies of the filing were served on its gas utility customers, interested state commissions, and all parties to this proceeding.

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 Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. 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.

Lois D. Cashell, Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP-96-398-000]

Transwestern Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

October 3, 1996.

Take notice that on September 30, 1996, Transwestern Pipeline Company (Transwestern) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, with a proposed effective date of November 1, 1996:

1st Revised Sheet No. 5B.02

On May 2, 1995, Transwestern filed a Stipulation and Agreement in Docket Nos. RP95–271, et al. which resolved, among other things, all issues relating to Transwestern's recovery of unfiled take-or-pay, buy-out, buy-down and contract reformation costs eligible for recovery under Order No. 528.

On August 31, 1995, Transwestern made an initial TCR II filing in Docket No. RP95–425. In that filing Transwestern sought recovery of \$10,622,519.55 ("TCR II–No. 1"). These costs were allocated based on the allocation factor ("TCR II Allocation Factor") under the TCR II mechanism stated in Transwestern's FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1.

Pursuant to the Stipulation and Transwestern's FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the TCR II Allocation Factor is to be recalculated for each Current Firm Shipper to be effective on each subsequent November 1 during the TCR II amortization period.

On September 29, 1995, Transwestern made an initial filing to calculate TCR II allocation factors for each Current Firm Shipper effective November 1, 1995.

Transwestern states that the purpose of this filing is to submit the tariff sheet containing the new TCR II reservation surcharges based on the updated TCR II Allocation Factors that resulted from the annual recalculation to be effective November 1, 1996.

Transwestern states that copies of the filing were served on its gas utility customers, interested state commissions, and all parties to this proceeding.

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 NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All such motions or protests should 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 the 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. Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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