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Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP97-137-000]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

December 10, 1996.

Take notice that on December 3, 1996, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124-1000, filed in Docket No. CP97-137-000 a request pursuant to §§ 157.205 and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.216) for authorization to abandon 12 small volume measuring stations located in the states of Iowa and Minnesota, under Northern's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-401-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Northern requests authority to abandon 12 small volume measuring stations located in Webster and Polk Counties, Iowa, and Dakota, Washington, Isanti, Rice, Scott and Dodge Counties, Minnesota. Northern states that the end-users have requested the removal of these measuring stations from their property. Northern further states that copies of the consent forms from each end-user authorizing removal of such measuring stations are included in its application.

Northern also states that the facilities to be abandoned are jurisdictional facilities under the Natural Gas Act and were constructed pursuant to superseded 2.55 regulations, budget, or blanket authority, depending on the year the facilities were originally placed in-service.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after 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 § 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 therefor, 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 If a protest is filed and not withdrawn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.

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[Docket No. CP94-38-001]

Oachita River Gas Storage Company, L.L.C.; Notice of Application

December 10, 1996.

Take notice that on December 2, 1996, Oachita Gas Storage Company, L.L.C. (Oachita), 9801 Westheimer, Suite 602, Houston, Texas 77042, filed in Docket No. CP94-38-001 an application pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, requesting authority to amend its certificate issued August 1, 1996, in Docket No. CP94-38-000 so as to modify certain tariff provisions and substitute a new rate schedule for an existing approved rate schedule, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Oachita states that on August 1, 1996, the Commission issued an order granting to Oachita a certificate to construct and operate the South Downsview Storage Project. The order also reaffirmed that Oachita could market-based for its storage services (firm, interruptible and hub). However, the Commission denied market-based rates for IHS transportation services without prejudice to Oachita filing a market-based rate proposal which was fully supported and met the standards of the Commission's Policy Statement. In the alternative, Oachita was directed to file propose cost-based initial rates for interruptible hub service, together with supporting cost data, within 75 days of the date of the order. Oachita states that it filed its initial rate proposal for hub transportation service on October 15, 1996, in Docket No. CP94-38-000.

Oachita states that it has been advised that Interruptible Hub Service (IHS) should more appropriately be limited to transportation-only service, with all storage-type services expressly handled through Oachita's Rate Schedules FSS (firm storage service) and ISS (interruptible Storage service). To facilitate this change, Oachita proposes to delete Rate Schedule IHS and replace it with Rate Schedule IHTS (interruptible hub transportation service). It is stated that Rate Schedule IHTS would be limited to interruptible

hub transportation service. It is further indicated that Rate Schedule ISS has been clarified to cover expressly both interruptible storage services and hub storage services (which are also interruptible). Thus, all storage services, including interruptible hub storage service and interruptible storage service would be offered under Oachita's Rate Schedule ISS.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before December 31, 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 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 approval for the proposed application 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 Oachita to appear or be represented at the hearing.

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Secretary.

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[Docket No. ER96-2879-001]

US Energy Inc.; Notice of Filing

December 10, 1996.

Take notice that on October 23, 1996, US Energy Inc. tendered for filing an

amendment in the above-referenced docket.

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 (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before December 19, 1996. 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.

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[Docket No. CP97-140-000]

Williams Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

December 10, 1996.

Take notice that on December 5, 1996, Williams Natural Gas Company (WNG), P.O. Box 3288, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74101, filed in Docket No. CP97-140-000 a request pursuant to §§ 157.205 and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.216) for authorization to abandon facilities used for the receipt of transportation gas from Energy Dynamics, Inc. (EDI) and the related service, located in Stafford County, Kansas, under WNG's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-479-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

WNG proposes to abandon facilities used for the receipt of transportation gas from EDI and related services in Section 29, Township 25 South, Range 12 West, Stafford County, Kansas. WNG states that the metering facilities are owned by EDI and that EDI has informed WNG that the measurement facilities have been reclaimed. WNG's facilities consist of the tap and appurtenant facilities. WNG states that its cost to reclaim the above-ground piping and other appurtenances will be approximately \$1,620.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after 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 § 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 therefor, 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.

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[Docket No. ER97-542-000, et al.]

Energy Spring, Inc., et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

December 10, 1996.

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

1. Energy Spring, Inc.

[Docket No. ER97-542-000]

Take notice that on December 5, 1996, Energy Spring, Inc. tendered for filing an amendment in the above-referenced docket.

Comment date: December 23, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. Torco Energy Marketing, Citizens Lehman Power Sales

[Docket Nos. ER92-429-010 and ER94-1685-010 (not consolidated)]

Take notice that the following informational filings have been made with the Commission and are on file and available for public inspection and copying in the Commission's Public Reference Room:

On November 27, 1996, Torco Energy Marketing filed certain information as required by the Commission's May 18, 1992, order in Docket No. ER92-429-000.

On November 27, 1996, Citizens Lehman Power Sales filed certain information as required by the Commission's February 2, 1995, order in Docket No. ER94-1685-000.

3. Florida Power Corporation

[Docket No. ER97-606-000]

Take notice that on November 26, 1996, Florida Power Corporation (Florida Power) filed amendments to its contract for all requirements service to the City of Williston, Florida (Williston), which will enable the Company to retain Williston as an all requirements customer through at least December 31, 2002, in exchange for a negotiated competitive discount in the price that Williston pays for all requirement service. The filing is the outcome of negotiations between the Company and Williston that began when Williston's City Council voted on March 5, 1996 to give three years' notice of termination of the contract. The Company agreed to this arrangement in order to obtain Williston's agreement not to give the notice of termination in the face of competition from other potential suppliers of the Williston load.

The Company requests waiver of the notice requirement so that this filing may be allowed to become effective on January 1, 1997.

Comment date: December 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

4. MidAmerican Energy Company

[Docket No. ER97-607-000]

Take notice that on November 26, 1996, MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican), 106 East Second Street, Davenport, Iowa 52801 tendered for filing proposed changes in its Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT). The revisions consist of the following:

1. First Revised Sheet No. 140, superseding Original Sheet No. 140;
2. First Revised Sheet No. 141, superseding Original Sheet No. 141; and
3. First Revised Sheet No. 142, superseding Original Sheet No. 142.

MidAmerican states that the revisions update the Index of Point-To-Point Transmission Service Customers under the OATT and do not affect the terms, conditions or rates under the OATT. MidAmerican requests a waiver of the Commission's 60-day notice period for this filing.

Copies of the filing were mailed to representatives of point-to-point transmission service customers under the OATT and to the Iowa Utilities Board, the Illinois Commerce Commission and the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: December 24, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.