Tentative Agenda:

Thursday, April 17, 1997

9:00 a.m.—Review of Subpanel Reports
5:00 p.m.—Public Comments
6:00 p.m.—Adjourn

Friday, April 18, 1997

9:00 a.m.—Executive Summary
11:00 a.m.—Preparation of FESAC Report
1:00 p.m.—Presentation of Results to Dr. Martha Krebs
4:00 p.m.—Adjourn

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Albert L. Opdenaker at 301–903–8584 (fax) or albert.opdenaker@mailgw.er.doe.gov (e-mail). Requests to make oral statements must be received 5 days prior to the meeting; reasonable provision will be made to include the statement in the agenda. The Chairperson of the Committee is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying within 30 days at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E–190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97–290–000]

Colorado Interstate Gas Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

March 19, 1997.

Take notice that on March 14, 1997, Colorado Interstate Gas Company (CIG), tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the tariff sheets listed on Appendix A to the filing, to be effective April 14, 1997.

CIG states on November 1, 1996 it filed in Docket No. RP97–63–000 pro forma tariff sheets to comply with Order No. 587. As part of CIG's filing it proposed a new Headstation Pooling Rate Schedule (HPS–1). CIG further states in the Commission's order on CIG's compliance filing issued January 16, 1997, the Commission stated that the GISB standards ''intended the pipeline to implement a new pooling service but in order to implement a new service the pipeline must make a section 4 filing'' (that is a filing pursuant to Section 4 of the Natural Gas Act). CIG states this is the purpose of this filing.

CIG states that copies of this filing have been served on CIG's jurisdictional customers and public bodies.

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 Section 385.214 and Section 385.211 of the Commission's Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be consider 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.

Acting Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP97–284–000]

Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

March 19, 1997.

Take notice that on March 11, 1997, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), 1700 MacCorkle Avenue, S.E., Charleston, West Virginia 25314, filed in Docket No. CP97–284–000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.211) for authorization to construct and operate additional points of delivery for firm transportation service to existing customers, under Columbia's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83–76–000 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.

Columbia proposes to construct and operate the facilities needed to establish thirteen additional delivery points. The customers and counties involved are: Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. (CKY) (Martin and Clark Counties, Kentucky); Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. (COH) (Ottawa, Medina and Carroll Counties, Ohio); Mountaineer Gas Company (MGC) (Boone, Marshall, Barbour, Gilmer, Wayne, Wyoming and Tucker Counties, West Virginia), and The Waterville Gas Company (WGC) (Wood County, Ohio).

Each new delivery point's interconnecting facility will vary according to area conditions; but, in most cases, the following will be installed: a 4-inch by 1-inch tap saddle (depending on pipeline size), a 1-inch valve, nipple, and less than 20 feet of pipe on Columbia's existing right-of-way. CKY, COH, MGC and WGC will set the meter and regulator for each location. The estimated natural gas quantities are: 10,851 Dth/day and 4,398,250 Dth/annual for CKY; 4.5 Dth/day and 450 Dth/annual for COH; 13.5 Dth/day and 1,650 Dth/annual for MGC, and 1.8 Dth/day and 200 Dth/annual for WGC.

Columbia states that the new delivery points are not prohibited by its existing tariff and that it has sufficient capacity to accomplish deliveries without detriment or disadvantage to other customers. The proposed delivery points will not have an effect on Columbia's peak day and annual deliveries and the total volumes delivered will not exceed total volumes authorized prior to this request.

Columbia estimates the new tap installation costs to be approximately $150 each and will be treated as an O&M expense, except for the Martin County, Kentucky project which is an existing tap and will require no additional cost.

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 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 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.

Acting Secretary.

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[Docket Nos. CP96–655–001, CP96–656–001, and CP96–657–001]

Destin Pipeline Company, L.L.C.; Notice of Amendment

March 19, 1997.

Take notice that on March 14, 1997, Destin Pipeline Company, L.L.C. (Destin) successor in interest to Destin Pipeline Company Inc. (DPC), P.O. Box 2563, Birmingham, Alabama 35202–2563, filed in Docket No. CP96–655–001, *et al.*, an amendment to the pending application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity filed on July 24, 1996, in Docket No. CP96–655–000, *et al.*, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act and Parts 284 and 157 of the Commission's Regulations, to modify proposed facilities to include executed Precedent Agreements providing market support for the Destin Pipeline, to revise Destin's proposed FERC Gas Tariff and initial rates to provide a new flexible firm transportation service to meet the needs of deepwater producers and to renew requests for blanket certificates of construction and transportation, all as more fully set forth in the amendment which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Destin states that in its initial filing, as supplemented, DPC requested authorization to construct, install and operate a new large diameter interstate pipeline (Destin Pipeline) to transport gas from the Gulf of Mexico to interconnections with five interstate pipelines in the State of Mississippi, Destin states that due to favorable reaction from the shipper community, on December 21, 1996, Amoco Pipeline Company (Amoco Pipeline), Shell Gas Pipeline Company (Shell Pipeline), Amoco Production Company (Amoco), Shell Deepwater Development Inc. (SDDI) and shell Deepwater Production Inc. (SDPI) agreed with DPC to have affiliates of Amoco Pipeline and Shell Pipeline become equity owners in the Destin Pipeline project. Additionally, Destin states that Amoco, SDDI and SDPI have executed Precedent Agreements dated as of February 28, 1997, for the proposed flexible firm transportation service on Destine Pipeline with average Transportation Demand (TD) levels over the first five years at 562 MMcf per day and peak TDs of 844 MMcf per day.

Destin states that its initial filing requested authorization to construct, install, and operate one gathering platform in Main Pass Block 260, Gulf of Mexico; one offshore junction platform in Viosca Knoll Block 119, Gulf of Mexico; 76 miles of 36-inch offshore pipeline facilities; 134 miles of 36-inch and 30-inch onshore pipeline facilities; two miles of 16-inch pipeline facilities; one 14,100 horsepower compressor station in Jackson County, Mississippi; one 11,600 horsepower compressor station in Greene county, Mississippi; and related pipeline interconnection, measurement and appurtenant facilities to accommodate the transportation of 1 Bcf of gas per day for delivery to downstream interconnections in southern and central Mississippi. Destin states that the pipeline route was to extend in a northerly direction from Main Pass Block 260, Gulf of Mexico, to an onshore terminus at its interconnection with Southern Natural Gas Company (Southern) near Enterprise, Mississippi. Destin further states that the original filing contemplated interconnections with four other pipelines, as well as Southern; Florida Gas Transmission Corporation, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company and Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation.

Destin states that, specifically, the amended filing seeks the following modifications to the original proposal: (a) Several modifications to the jurisdictional facilities, (b) an interconnection with an additional interstate pipeline, (c) the deletion of the levelized rates for the FT–1 firm transportation service, (d) the addition of a flexible firm transportation service similar to that approved in *Shell Gas Pipeline Company*, 76 FERC ¶ 61,126 (1996), (e) a decrease in the proposed initial rates, (f) inclusion of capacity lease payments to Southern in Destin's proposed cost of service in accordance to the pending joint application of Southern and Destin filed on March 14, 1997, in Docket No. CP97–291–000, (g) revisions to Destin's proposed FERC Gas Tariff, primarily attributable to the addition of the flexible firm transportation service and the incorporation of the Gas Industry Standards Board standards.

It is stated that the modifications to the facilities originally proposed are as follows: (a) The deletion of the junction platform in Viosca Knoll Block 119, Gulf of Mexico, (b) an interconnection with Koch Gateway Pipeline Company in Jackson County, Mississippi, (c) the deletion of the onshore receipt point, (d) increase compression capabilities at the Pascagoula compression site from 14,100 horsepower to 17,040 horsepower, (e) decrease compression at the Sand Hill compression site from 11,600 horsepower to 9,400 horsepower, and (f) in addition to the measurement facilities to connect to the inlet and outlet of a non-jurisdictional processing plant to be operated by Amoco in Pascagoula, Mississippi, Destin proposed to add as an auxiliary facility a liquids slug catcher facility in Jackson County, Mississippi, which will be located upstream of the site of the non-jurisdictional processing plant. Destin estimates the revised cost of the proposed facilities to be $308.1 million.

In regard to its transportation services, Destin states that it is deleting the 10-year levelized firm transportation services and adding a flexible firm transportation service. Interruptible transportation service under Rate Schedule IT will be applicable to any shipper that contracts for interruptible transportation on Destin Pipeline. In its amended proposal, Destin proposes to offer two firm transportation services: (1) A traditional firm transportation service (Rate Schedule FT–1) and (2) a flexible firm transportation service (Rate Schedule FT–2). Destin states that Rate Schedule FT–1 is a traditional firm transportation service with a fixed TD and a reservation charge to be billed regardless of throughput levels. The maximum initial monthly reservation rate to be charged for service under Rate Schedule FT–1 is $7.35 per Dth, a decrease of 58 cents per Dth per month from the comparable rate proposed for the traditional firm rate schedule in the initial filing. Destin states that Rate Schedule FT–2 is a flexible firm transportation service which will provide for variable levels of TD and volumetric rate treatment depending on throughput levels relative to TD. Destin states that to be eligible for service under Rate Schedule FT–2, a shipper must execute a Reserve Commitment Agreement wherein the shipper identifies OCS lease(s) with estimated proven recoverable reserves of 100 Bcf or more attributable to the shipper's interests and its affiliates or aggregated with other shipper(s) committed interest(s) in such leases (Committed Leases) and make a life of reserves commitment of its share of production therefrom. In addition, Destin states that each shipper will be required to submit documentation and technical data to support its reserve commitment when placing a request for transportation service under Rate Schedule FT–2. It is