

## 16. Any Other Business

- Preparations for the IEA Governing Board Meeting at Ministerial Level
- Visit of IEA Executive Director to Saudia Arabia
- Report on Non-Member Countries Energy Security Conference of April 1997
- Use of Internet for SEQ Documents and Communications

As provided in section 252(c)(1)(A)(ii) of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6272(c)(1)(A)(ii)), these meetings are open only to representatives of members of the IAB and their counsel, representatives of members of the SEQ and SOM and representatives of the Departments of Energy, Justice, and State, the Federal Trade Commission, the General Accounting Office, Committees of the Congress, the IEA, and the European Commission, and invitees of the IAB, the SEQ, SOM or the IEA.

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**Eric J. Fygi,**

*Acting General Counsel.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[FERC Form No. 546]

## Proposed Information Collection and Request for Comments

May 7, 1997.

**AGENCY:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirements of Section 3506(c)(2)(a) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described below.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to comments submitted July 11, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained from and written comments may be submitted to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Attn: Michael Miller, Information Services Division, ED-12.4, 888 First Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208-1415, by fax at (202) 273-0873, and by e-mail at mmiller@ferc.fed.us.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** the information collected under the requirements of FERC Form No. -546

“Certificated Rate Filings: Gas Pipeline Rates” (OMB No. 1902-0155) is used by the Commission to implement the statutory provisions of Title IV of the Natural Gas Policy Act (NGPA), 15 U.S.C. 3301-3432, Public Law 95-621) and Sections 4, 5, and 16, of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (15 U.S.C. 717-717o, Pub. L. 75-688). These statutory provisions require natural gas pipeline companies to obtain Commission authorization for all rates and charges made, demanded, or in connection with the transportation or sale of natural gas in interstate commerce. The Commission is authorized to investigate the rates charged by natural gas pipeline companies subject to its investigation. The data filed in certificated rate filings are used to implement new or revised service proposals for the transportation or sale of natural gas and for compliance with subsequent certification orders. The distinction between FERC-546 and other rate/tariff data collections is that data collected under FERC-546 involve initial service and tariff revisions due to changes in service rather than changes in existing rates. The Commission implements these filing requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under 18 CFR 154.4; .7; .202; .205-.206; .312; .601-.603.

**Action:** The commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current expiration date, with no changes to the existing collection of data.

**Burden Statement:** Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated as:

Number of respondents annually (1)	Number of responses per respondent (2)	Average burden hours per response (3)	Total annual burden hours (1)×(2)×(3)
100	4	400	16,000

Estimated cost burden to respondents: 16,000 hours/2,087 hours per year × \$104,350 per year = \$800,000. The cost per respondent is equal to \$8,000.

The reporting burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide the information including: (1) Reviewing instructions; (2) developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching

data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

The estimate of cost for respondents is based upon salaries for professional and clerical support, as well as direct and indirect overhead costs. Direct costs include all costs directly attributable to providing this information, such as administrative costs and the cost for information technology. Indirect or overhead costs are costs incurred by an organization in support of its mission. These costs apply to activities which benefit the whole organization rather than any one particular function or activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology

e.g. permitting electronic submission of responses.

**Lois D. Cashell,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Standards for Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines; Notice of Compliance Filings

[Docket No. RM96-1-004 (Order No. 587-C)]

May 6, 1997.

Take notice that on March 4, 1997, the Commission issued a Final Rule in Docket No. RM96-1-004, Order No. 587-C (62 FR 10684, March 10, 1997), to amend its regulations by incorporating by reference additional standards promulgated by the Gas Industry Standards Board (GISB). These standards require interstate natural gas pipelines to publish specific information on Internet Web pages and to follow certain new and revised business practice procedures. The Commission directed pipelines to make pro forma tariff filings to implement the business practice standards by May 1, 1997.

Due to the large number of filings that were received, the filings are being noticed together. The filings are not being consolidated. *Algonquin Gas Transmission Company*, Docket No. RP97-5-006, is the lead docket under which all the filings are listed.

**Lois D. Cashell,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. RP97-5-006 et al.]

#### Algonquin Gas Transmission Co. et al.; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

May 6, 1997.

In the matter of: RP97-171-004, RP97-172-003, RP97-187-004, RP97-110-002, RP97-170-003, RP97-66-004, RP97-139-002, RP97-173-003, RP97-63-003, RP97-167-003, RP97-166-003, RP97-162-002, RP97-145-002, RP97-58-004, RP97-20-005, RP97-114-003, RP97-21-004, RP97-310-001, RP97-157-003, RP97-295-001, RP97-141-003, RP97-147-002, RP97-161-004, RP97-142-003, RP97-144-002, RP97-104-

002, RP97-178-003, RP97-154-003, RP97-140-003, RP97-152-002, RP97-151-002, RP97-59-004, RP97-176-002, RP97-73-004, RP97-155-002, RP97-19-005, RP97-1-007, RP97-64-005, RP97-105-002, RP97-61-004, RP97-22-006, RP97-17-005, RP97-134-004, RP97-136-002, RP97-4-007, RP97-150-003, RP97-169-002, RP97-109-004, RP97-224-004, RP97-138-003, RP97-182-003, RP97-137-003, RP97-177-002, RP97-68-003, RP97-143-002, RP97-60-004, RP97-3-006, RP97-164-002, RP97-54-003, RP97-237-003, RP97-18-006, RP97-6-006, RP97-168-002, RP97-146-002, RP97-156-003, RP97-160-002, RP97-163-002, RP97-67-003, RP97-62-003, and RP97-93-004 (Not Consolidated); Algonquin Gas Transmission Company, ANR Pipeline Company, ANR Storage Company, Arkansas Western Pipeline Company, Black Marlin Pipeline Company, Blue Lake Gas Storage Company, Canyon Creek Compression Company, Caprock Pipeline Company, Carnegie Interstate Pipeline Company, Colorado Interstate Gas Company, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation, Columbia Gulf Transmission Company, Cove Point LNG Limited Partnership, Crossroads Pipeline Company, East Tennessee Natural Gas Company, El Paso Natural Gas Company, Equitrans, Inc., Florida Gas Transmission Company, Garden Banks Gas Pipeline, LLC, Gas Transport Inc., Gasdel Pipeline System, Inc., Great Lakes Gas Transmission Limited Partnership, High Island Offshore System, Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L. P., K N Interstate Gas Transmission Co., K N Wattenberg Transmission Limited Liability Company, Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company, Kern River Gas Transmission Company, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company, Louisiana-Nevada Transit Company, Michigan Gas Storage Company, Mid Louisiana Gas Company, Midwestern Gas Transmission Company, MIGC, Inc., Mississippi River Transmission Corporation, Mobile Bay Pipeline Company, Mojave Pipeline Company, Natural Fuel Gas Supply Corporation, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, Nora Transmission Company, NorAm Gas Transmission Company, Northern Border Pipeline Company, Northern Natural Gas Company, Pacific Gas Transmission System, Paiute Pipeline Company, Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company, Richfield Gas Storage System, Riverside Pipeline Company, L.P., Sabine Pipe Line Company, Sea Robin Pipeline Company, Shell Gas Pipeline Company, South Georgia Natural Gas Company, Southern Natural Gas Company, Steuben Gas Storage Company, Stingray Pipeline Company, T C P Gathering Co., Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation, Texas-Ohio Pipeline, Inc., Trailblazer Pipeline Company, TransColorado Gas Transmission Company, Transwestern Pipeline Company, Truckline Gas Company, Tuscarora Gas Transmission Company, U-T Offshore System, Viking Gas Transmission Company, Western Gas Interstate Company, WestGas Interstate, Inc., Williams Natural Gas Company, Wyoming Interstate Company, Ltd., and Young Gas Storage Company, Ltd.

Take notice that the applicants referenced above tendered for filing pro forma tariff sheets to comply with the

Commission's directives in Order No. 587-C, to be effective August 1, 1997 and November 1, 1997.

On March 4, 1997, the Commission issued a Final Rule in Docket No. RM96-1-004, Order No. 587-C, to amend its regulations by incorporating by reference additional standards promulgated by the Gas Industry Standards Board (GISB). These standards require interstate natural gas pipelines to publish specific information on Internet Web pages and to follow certain new and revised business practice procedures. The Commission directed pipelines to make pro forma tariff filings to implement the business practice standards by May 1, 1997.

Each applicant states that its filing complies with the Commission's Order No. 587-C in Docket No. RM96-1-004.

Each applicant states that copies of the filing have been mailed to all affected customers and state regulatory commissions.

The above-referenced dockets are being noticed together due to the large number of filings received. The filings are not being consolidated. Any party who wishes to file a protest must file a separate protest for each docket.

Any person desiring to protest said filings should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commissions Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed on or before May 22, 1997. 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 proceedings. Copies of the filings 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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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER97-2153-000]

#### Amerada Hess Corporation; Notice of Issuance of Order

May 7, 1997.

Amerada Hell Corporation (Amerada Hess) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which Amerada Hess will engage in wholesale electric power