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Upon receipt of a request for this information under the FOIA, the DOE shall make a final determination whether the information is exempt from disclosure in accordance with the procedures and criteria provided in the regulations. To assist us in this determination, respondents should demonstrate to the DOE that, for example, their information contains trade secrets or commercial or financial information whose release would be likely to cause substantial harm to their company's competitive position. A letter accompanying the submission that explains (on an element-by-element basis) the reasons why the information would be likely to cause the respondent substantial competitive harm if released to the public would aid in this determination. A new justification does not need to be provided each time information is submitted on the form, if the company has previously submitted a justification for that information and the justification has not changed.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Research

High Energy Physics Advisory Panel; Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770), notice is given of a meeting of the High Energy Physics Advisory Panel.

DATES: Wednesday, February 18, 1998; 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and Thursday, February 19, 1998; 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

ADDRESS: DoubleTree Hotel, 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852.

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Robert Diebold, Executive Secretary,

High Energy Physics Advisory Panel, U.S. Department of Energy, ER-22, GTN, Germantown, Maryland 20874, Telephone: (301) 903-4801.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: To provide advice and guidance on a continuing basis with respect to the high energy physics research program.

Tentative Agenda

Wednesday, February 18, 1998, and Thursday, February 19, 1998

Discussion of Department of Energy High Energy Physics Programs
Status Report on the Office of Energy Research

Discussion of National Science Foundation Elementary Particle Physics Program

Discussion of DOE HEP Program and FY 1999 Congressional Budget Request

Report of the Subpanel on Planning for the Future of U.S. High Energy Physics

Report of the NRC Committee on Elementary Particle Physics

Discussion of HEP Programs at Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory, Stanford Linear Accelerator Center, Brookhaven National Laboratory, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, and Argonne National Laboratory and the FY 1999 Congressional Budget Requests

Reports on and Discussions of Topics of General Interest in High Energy Physics Public Comment (10 minute rule)

Public Participation: The two-day meeting is open to the public. The Chairperson of the Panel is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will, in his judgment, facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Any member of the public who wishes to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact the Executive Secretary at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received at least 5 days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation on the agenda.

Minutes: Available for public review and copying at the Public Reading Room, Room 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Issued at Washington, D.C. on January 8, 1998.

Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP73-184-009 and CI73-485-008]

Colorado Interstate Gas Company, a Division of Colorado Interstate Corporation, and CIG Exploration, Inc.; Notice of Request for Abandonment of "Gas Search" Program Conditions

January 7, 1998.

Take notice that on December 19, 1997, Colorado Interstate Gas Company (CIG), P.O. Box 1087, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80944 filed an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations requesting permission and approval for abandonment of "Gas Search" program conditions. The application is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

CIG's filing states that in 1974 the Federal Power Commission approved a Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement (Stipulation) in the referenced dockets,¹ which allowed CIG and its affiliate, CIG Exploration, Inc. to undertake a program to cause newly developed gas reserves to be dedicated to CIG's system for CIG's sales for resale. Under the terms of the Stipulation, all of the reserves acquired were dedicated to CIG's system and production from the reserves was subject to "life of the field" purchase contracts. In approving the Stipulation the FPC adopted as its own all of the conditions and dedications set forth in the Stipulation.

CIG states that while the exploration phase of the Gas Search program has terminated, there remain in place the commitments and dedications and other elements of the Gas Search program which, according to CIG, have become anachronistic. Accordingly, CIG states that it and the directly affected customers have agreed as a matter of contract to terminate all remaining terms and conditions of the Gas Search program which continue in effect. However, because of the underlying Stipulation, CIG is seeking formal abandonment of that aspect of the 1974

¹ See, 51 FPC 74; reh'g denied, 51 FPC 754 (1974).

order approving the program. CIG requests that the Commission enter an order formally abandoning all of the obligations, duties and dedications arising from the 1974 Gas Search program.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before January 28, 1998, 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 385.211 and 385.214) 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 in any proceeding herein 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 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 permission and approval for the proposed abandonment are 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 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 CIG to appear or to be represented at the hearing.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-166-000]

Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

January 7, 1998.

Take notice that on December 30, 1997, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), 12801 Fair Lakes Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia 22030-0146, filed a request with the Commission in Docket No. CP98-166-000, pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for authorization to utilize an existing point of delivery to Northeast Ohio Natural Gas Corporation (Northeast) authorized in blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83-76-000, all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Columbia proposes to operate facilities in Fairfield County, Ohio, constructed to implement Section 311 service for Northeast. The facilities include a 2-inch tap and 25 feet of 2-inch pipeline, were placed into service on October 22, 1997 and is now proposed to be used for both Section 311 transportation and also for service under Part 284, Subpart G under Rate Schedule FTS. Columbia Gas estimates peak day and annual volumes using the facility of 50 dt and 18,250 dt., respectively. The cost to construct the new point of delivery was \$13,122.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after the Commission has issued this notice, 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 NGA (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the allowed time, 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 NGA.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-165-000]

Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

January 7, 1998.

Take notice that on December 30, 1997, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), 12801 Fair Lakes Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia 22030-0146, filed in Docket No. CP98-165-000 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 certificate an existing point of delivery to be used for transportation service under Part 284 of the Commission's Regulations, 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 seeks certification for an existing point of delivery to Northeast Ohio Natural Gas Corporation in Holmes County, Ohio, originally installed under Section 311 of the Natural Gas Policy Act. Columbia states that it seeks certification in order that it may be used to provide transportation service pursuant to Part 284 Subpart B and Subpart G of the Commission's Regulations. Columbia states that the quantities of natural gas to be delivered at the existing delivery point would be 20 Dekatherms per day and 7,300 Dekatherms annually and will be within Columbia's authorized level of service. Columbia adds that there will be no impact on Columbia's existing design day and annual obligation to its customers as a result of the requested authorization. Columbia states that the transportation service to be provided through the point of delivery will be firm service provided under Columbia's Firm Transportation Service Rate Schedule.

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