FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, with an effective date of August 1, 1998:

Second Revised Sheet No. 58G

Gulf States states that the filing is being made pursuant to Subpart C of Part 154 of the Commission's Regulations and in compliance with Order No. 587–G issued April 16, 1998 in Docket No. RM96–1–007.

Gulf States states that the purpose of this filing is to implement Version 1.2 of the Gas Industry Standards Board (GISB) standards accepted by the Commission in Order No. 587–G. The tendered tariff sheet is proposed to be made effective August 1, 1998 and Gulf States requests all waivers of the Commission's regulations that may be necessary to allow the filing to become effective on August 1, 1998.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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 Rules and 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 proceedings. 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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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-349-000]

## Midwestern Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

July 14, 1998.

Take notice that on July 10, 1998, Midwestern Gas Transmission Company (Midwestern) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the tariff sheets listed on Appendix A to the filing, with an effective date of August 1, 1998.

Midwestern states that the revised tariff sheets are being filed in

compliance with the Commission's Order No. 587–G issued on April 16, 1998. Standards for Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines, 83 FERC ¶ 61,029 (1998). Consistent with Order No. 587–G, Midwestern proposes an effective date of August 1, 1998. Midwestern requests a waiver of Section 154.207 to permit an August 1, 1998 effective date.

Midwestern states that the revised tariff sheets incorporate by reference Version 1.2 of the GISB standards.

Midwestern states that copies of the filing have been mailed to each of the parties that have intervened in this proceeding.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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 proceedings. 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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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER98-3690-000]

# New England Power Pool; Notice of Filing

July 14, 1998.

Take notice that on July 10, 1998, the New England Power Pool Executive Committee filed for acceptance a signature page to the New England Power Pool (NEPOOL) Agreement dated September 1, 1971, as amended, signed by USGen New England, Inc., (USGenNE). The NEPOOL Agreement has been designated NEPOOL FPC No. 2.

The Executive Committee states that the Commission's acceptance of USGenNE's signature page would permit NEPOOL to expand its membership to include USGenNE. NEPOOL further states that the filed signature page does not change the NEPOOL Agreement in any manner, other than to make USGenNE's participation in NEPOOL. NEPOOL requests an effective date for the commencement of USGenNE's participation in NEPOOL as of the date of USGenNE's acquisition of the generating assets currently owned by New England Power Company, which is anticipated to occur August 1, 1998 at the earliest.

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 and protests should be filed on or before July 24, 1998. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. 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.

### Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-651-000]

### NorAm Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

July 14, 1998.

Take notice that on July 2, 1998, NorAm Gas Transmission Company (NorAm), 1111 Louisiana, Houston, Texas 77002, filed in Docket No. CP98-651–000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.212, and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.212, and 157.216) for authorization to upgrade facilities in Oklahoma. NorAm makes such request under its blanket certificate issued in Docket Nos. CP82-384-000 and CP82-384-001 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, NorAm seeks authority to (1) operate under Subpart G of Part

284 of the Commission's Regulations, measurement facilities constructed under Section 311 of the Natural Gas Policy Act and Subpart B, Part 284 of the Commission's Regulations; and (2) abandon obsolete measurement facilities and install upgraded delivery facilities at Delhi, Oklahoma to continue service to Arkla, a division of NorAm Energy Corporation (Arkla).

NorAm states that pursuant to Section 311, that it upgraded an existing delivery tap located on NorAm's Line 11–2 at pipeline station no. 355+41 in Comanche County, Oklahoma. It is stated that Arkla requested upgraded service and increased deliveries at that location, and that NorAm accordingly installed a Roots rotary 16M meter and two 1-inch Fisher regulators at an estimated cost of \$600. (It is averred that Arkla fabricated the new meter and regulators and donated those facilities to NorAm at no cost.) NorAm states that it will own and operate those facilities and seeks authority to operate those facilities under Subpart G. NorAm estimates that up to 69,370 dekatherms (Dt) will be delivered to that tap annually and 651 Dt on a peak day.

At Delhi, Oklahoma, NorAm proposes to abandon and junk an American AL 800 meter, one 1-inch Fisher 630 regulator and one 1-inch Reliance 1800 regulator located at an existing town border station on NorAm's Line 8 at pipeline station no. 400+62 in Beckham County, Oklahoma. NorAm states that it will install a Roots 11M positive displacement meter and one 1-inch 399 Fisher regulator at an estimated cost of \$600. (It is indicated that Arkla will fabricate the new meter and regulator and donate those facilities to NorAm at no cost.) The estimated volumes to be delivered to that tap are approximately 10,409 Dt annually and 492 Dt on a peak day

NorAm states that the volumes in this request will be within Arkla's certificated entitlements, and that NorAm's tariff does not prohibit the addition of new delivery points. It is further stated that NorAm has sufficient capacity to accomplish the deliveries without detriment or disadvantage to its other customers.

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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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-345-000]

### Northern Border Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

July 14, 1998.

Take notice that on July 8, 1998, Northern Border Pipeline Company (Northern Border) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets to become effective November 1, 1998. In order to allow time for computer system development, Northern Border requests approval of the following tariff sheets by September 1, 1998.

Second Revised Sheet Number 100 Second Revised Sheet Number 105 Second Revised Sheet Number 112 First Revised Sheet Number 125 First Revised Sheet Number 126 First Revised Sheet Number 133 First Revised Sheet Number 134 First Revised Sheet Number 135 Second Revised Sheet Number 150 Original Sheet Number 208A Second Revised Sheet Number 234 Second Revised Sheet Number 235 Second Revised Sheet Number 237 Second Revised Sheet Number 238 Third Revised Sheet Number 239 Second Revised Sheet Number 240 Third Revised Sheet Number 241 Third Revised Sheet Number 249 Third Revised Sheet Number 250 First Revised Sheet Number 250A Original Sheet Number 250B Third Revised Sheet Number 251 Third Revised Sheet Number 253 Third Revised Sheet Number 255 Third Revised Sheet Number 256 Third Revised Sheet Number 257 Second Revised Sheet Number 258 Second Revised Sheet Number 260 First Revised Sheet Number 400 First Revised Sheet Number 401 First Revised Sheet Number 419 Original Sheet Number 419A First Revised Sheet Number 420

Northern Border's states that its proposed tariff changes will identify

and allocate separately the capacity on its system that results from ambient conditions and the capacity that results from unnominated firm. Firm shippers will receive a daily entitlement to use the ambient related capacity (Daily Ambient Capacity), which is projected to be available on a Gas Day above the shipper's contracted firm Maximum Receipt Quantity. Under this proposal to allocate Daily Ambient Capacity as a firm shipper entitlement, Northern Border, in compliance with Order No. 587-G, will be able to administer bumping more efficiently and with less disruption to the marketplace because reduced interruptible volumes will be subject to bumping by firm shippers.

Northern Border states that copies of this filing have been sent to all of Northern Border's affected shippers.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, 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 proceedings. 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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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98-649-000]

# Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Application

July 14, 1998.

Take notice that on July 1, 1998, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), P.O. Box 3330, Omaha, NE 68103–0330, filed an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act for an order permitting the abandonment by sale to Conoco Inc. (Conoco) certain of its Permian Area facilities, specifically the Tejas and Champlin facilities, located in Glasscock, Irion, Reagan, Sterling, and