

overburden; measures to minimize stream filling to the maximum extent practicable; and the effectiveness of mitigation and reclamation measures. The EIS is expected to take two years to complete.

Dated: February 2, 1999.

Charles M. Hess,

Chief, Operations Division, Directorate of Civil Works.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Science Financial Assistance Program Notice 99-03

Environmental Meteorology Program— Vertical Transport and Mixing; Correction

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of extension of application due date; correction.

In the **Federal Register** notice of February 1, 1999, in FR Doc. 99-2309, on page 4850, in the second column, correct the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** caption to read: "Peter Lunn, telephone (301) 903-4819."

Dated: February 2, 1999.

Clara R. Barley,

Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ES99-24-000]

Minnesota Power Inc., Notice of Application

February 1, 1999.

Take notice that on January 22, 1999, Minnesota Power Inc. submitted an application, under Section 204 of the Federal Power Act, for authorization to issue additional shares of common stock, in connection with a two-for-one common stock split.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions and protests

should be filed on or before February 11, 1999. 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.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-67-003]

Mississippi River Transmission Corporation; Notice of Compliance Filing

February 1, 1999.

Take notice that on January 27, 1999, Mississippi River Transmission Corporation (MRT) tendered for filing as part of its Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, First Substitute Original Sheet No. 120B and Substitute First revised Sheet No. 144 to become effective November 1, 1998.

MRT states that the purpose of this filing is to comply with the Commission's letter order, issued January 12, 1999 in Docket No. RP99-67-002. Such letter order accepted certain tariff sheets, subject to MRT making certain corrections to typographical errors in its Order 587-H compliance filing of November 16, 1998.

MRT states that a copy of this filing is being mailed to each of MRT's customers, active parties to the proceeding and to the state commissions of Arkansas, Illinois and Missouri.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such 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. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public

inspection in the Public Reference Room.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP99-160-000]

National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation; Notice of Application

February 1, 1999.

Take notice that on January 19, 1999, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (National Fuel), 10 Lafayette Square, Buffalo, New York 14203, filed an application pursuant to sections 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing National Fuel to uprate a compressor unit at its Ellisburg Compressor Station to provide additional firm transportation service from Ellisburg, Pennsylvania to Leidy, Pennsylvania (1999 Ellisburg to Leidy Expansion Project), all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, National Fuel proposes to uprate compressor unit 1A, which was authorized as part of National Fuel's 1997 Niagara Expansion Project—Phase II in Docket No. CP98-94-000, from 3,200 horsepower (hp) to 4,445 hp, an increase of 1,245 hp. National Fuel states that the expansion of unit 1A will be accomplished through software modifications to the engine control panel, which will be performed by the engine manufacture. National Fuel estimates the cost of the uprating to be approximately \$101,600.

National Fuel states that its 1999 Ellisburg to Leidy Expansion Project will provide an additional 60,919 Dth per day of firm capacity from Ellisburg, Pennsylvania to the interconnection between the facilities of National Fuel and Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) at Leidy, Pennsylvania. National Fuel explains that it conducted an open season from September 9, 1998, to October 16, 1998, for the additional Ellisburg to Leidy capacity. National Fuel claims that of the additional capacity, 55,919 Dth per day is subscribed by three shippers, El Paso Energy Marketing Co., Florida Power & Light Company, and Aquila Energy Marketing Corporation. National Fuel indicates that it is currently soliciting service requests for the

remaining 5,000 per day of firm transportation capacity.

Naitonal Fuel states that it does not seek a pre-determination of rolled-in rate treatment in this application, but intends to seek rolled-in rate treatment of the cost associated with this project in its next general rate case.

National Fuel requests that the Commission issue all necessary authorizations for its 1999 Ellisburg to Leidy Expansion by June 1, 1999, in order for National Fuel to meet the firm transportation requirements of the project shipper.

Any person desiring to participate in the hearing process or to make any protest with reference to said application should be on or before February 22, 1999, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., 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 proceedings. 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.

A person obtaining intervenor status will be placed on the service list maintained by the secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by every one of the intervenors. An intervenor can file for rehearing of any Commission order and can petition for court review of any such order.

However, an intervenor must submit copies of comments or any other filing it makes with the Commission to every other intervenor in the proceeding, as well as 14 copies with the Commission.

A person does not have to intervene, however, in order to have comments considered. A person, instead, may submit two copies of comments to the secretary of the Commission. Commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of environmental documents and will be able to participate in meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the

Commission and will not have the right to seek rehearing or appeal the Commission's final order to a federal court.

The Commission will consider all comments and concerns equally, whether filed by commenters or those requesting intervenor status.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and 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 a grant of the certificate 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 National Fuel to appear or be represented at the hearing.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-180-001]

National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation; Notice of Compliance Filing

February 1, 1999.

Take notice that on January 19, 1999, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (National Fuel) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fourth Revised Volume No. 1, Sub. First Revised Sheet No. 389 and Alt. Sub. First Revised Sheet No. 389, with an effective date of January 1, 1999.

National Fuel states that this filing is being made in compliance with the Commission's letter order issued on December 30, 1998, in the above-reference docket. National Fuel further states that the revised tariff language on its primary tariff sheet provides that cash-out of imbalance volumes will be accomplished by using the index price for the month in which the imbalance was incurred. National Fuel's filing also includes an alternate tariff sheet that provides that cash-out of imbalance

volumes will be accomplished by using the index price applicable to the month that includes the time period for which the Shipper last made a nomination for service.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such 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. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP99-173-000]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

February 1, 1999.

Take notice that on January 25, 1999, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, filed in Docket No. CP99-173-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.212 and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations for authorization to convert an existing receipt point to a delivery point, to accommodate interruptible gas deliveries to GPM Gas Corporation (GPM) 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 which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Northern states that it requests authority to abandon certain receipt point facilities and operate the existing tap as a new delivery point to accommodate interruptible gas service to GPM under Northern's currently effective throughput service agreement(s). Northern explains that the delivery point was requested by GPM in order to provide compressor fuel to its facilities in Hemphill County, Texas.