

150 days of the filing date of Lee 8's Petition, Lee 8's rates for firm and interruptible storage services will be deemed to be fair and equitable. The Commission may within such 150 day period extend the time for action or institute a proceeding in which all interested parties will be afforded an opportunity for written comments and the oral presentation of views, data and arguments.

Any person desiring to protest this rate proceeding must file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with rule 211 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). All protest must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission on or before May 4, 2000. This petition for rate approval is on file with the Commission and is available for public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER00-2234-000]

#### East Central Area Reliability Council, et al.; Notice of Filing

April 28, 2000.

Take notice that on April 18, 2000, the East Central Area Reliability Council (ECAR), on behalf of Allegheny Power, American Electric Power Co., Big Rivers Electric Corp., Cinergy Corp., Consumers Energy Co., The Dayton Power and Light Co., the Detroit Edison Co., Duquesne Light Co., East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc., FirstEnergy Corp., Hoosier Energy REC, Indianapolis Power and Light Co., LG&E Energy Corp., Northern Indiana Public Service Co., Ohio Valley Electric Corp., and Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Co., submitted for filing an Inadvertent Settlement Tariff that is intended to obligate each party to make payment and to entitle each party to receive compensation for Inadvertent Interchange from each other party pursuant to ECAR's Inadvertent Settlement Procedure.

ECAR requests the Inadvertent Settlement Tariff to go into effect by

June 1, 2000 for the 2000 peak summer season.

ECAR states that all parties were served and that the filing is also available on their web site ([www.ecar.org](http://www.ecar.org)).

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, 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 385.214). All such motions and protests should be filed on or before May 9, 2000. 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. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP00-91-001]

#### National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation; Notice of Petition To Amend

April 27, 2000.

Take notice that on April 20, 2000, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (National Fuel), 10 Lafayette Square, Buffalo, New York 14203, filed in Docket No. CP00-91-001 an amendment to its original application filed pursuant to Sections 7(b) and 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 157) for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the replacement of an existing pipeline and permission and approval to abandon facilities, all as more fully set forth in the original application and the amendment on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call (202) 208-2222 for assistance).

National Fuel requests to amend its original application in order to

eliminate the request for authorization to install the East Branch tie which National Fuel has determined that it is not necessary at this time. National Fuel still proposes to construct and operate the other requested facilities after receiving authorization in this proceeding.

National Fuel estimates that the total cost of the Replacement Project, as proposed to be amended herein, is \$11.3 million.

Any questions regarding this amendment application should be directed to David W. Reitz, Assistant General Counsel for National Fuel, 10 Lafayette Square, Buffalo, New York 14203 at (716) 857-7949.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make a protest with reference to said application should on or before May 18, 2000, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or 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 protestant a party to the proceeding. 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.

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 construction and 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 a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given. Under the procedures herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be

unnecessary for National Fuel to appear or to be represented at the hearing.

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-176-017 and RP99-176-018]

#### Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

April 28, 2000.

Take notice that on April 25, 2000, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Sixth Revised Volume No. 1. Original Sheet No. 26J.

Natural states that the purpose of this filing is to implement a negotiated rate transaction with the Peoples Gas Light and Coke Company (Peoples) under Natural's Rate Schedule ITS pursuant to Section 49 of the General Terms and Conditions of Natural's tariff.

Natural concurrently tenders by a separate filing in Docket No. RP99-176-018 its negotiated rate agreement (Agreement) between Natural and Peoples.

Natural states that the negotiated rate Agreement does not deviate in any material respects from the applicable form of service agreement in Natural's Tariff. Natural states that it submits the Agreement as an aid to Commission Staff because it provides a more detailed explanation of the pricing terms related to the transaction. Key provisions of the Agreement include guaranteed revenue, unhedged and unscheduled quantity adjustments, and the trigger agreement. Natural also states that the above pricing terms were critical to the Agreement by both parties and to the resulting negotiated rates.

Natural requests that Original Sheet No. 26J and the related Agreement to become effective April 25, 2000.

Natural states that copies of the filing are being mailed to Natural's customers, interested state commissions and all parties set out on the Commission's official service list in Docket No. RP99-176.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C.

20246, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with the 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. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**  
*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-40-000]

#### Panhandle Eastern Pipeline Company; Notice of Informal Settlement Conference

:April 28, 2000.

On March 13 and 28, 2000, the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) sponsored two informal settlement conferences for the purpose of initiating settlement discussions potentially leading to a resolution of all the Kansas ad valorem proceedings. During the March 28 conference, the participants agreed that settlement negotiations among all interested parties should be pursued separately for each pipeline involved with the Kansas ad valorem tax refund issues.

The participants interested in the Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company docket also reached a consensus that the informal settlement conference agreed upon should be notices by the Secretary of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) and that the Commission's settlement regulations apply to the informal settlement process. Consistent with the previous two settlement conferences, the Director of the Commission's Dispute Resolution Service and the KCC will attend the conference and facilitate the settlement negotiations.

The informal settlement conference will be held on May 24, 2000, at the offices of Shook, Hardy & Bacon, 1 Kansas City Place, 1200 Main Street,

Kansas City, Missouri. The conference will begin at 10:00 a.m. To insure that the facilities are adequately sized all parties that plan to attend the settlement conference are requested to contact John McNish at 785 271-3218 or by email at [j.mcnish@kcc.state.ks.us](mailto:j.mcnish@kcc.state.ks.us), or Cynthia King at [cking@shb.com](mailto:cking@shb.com) by May 11, 2000.

All interested parties in the above dockets are requested to attend the informal settlement conference. If a party has any questions respecting the conference, please call Richard Miles, the Director of the Dispute Resolution Service. His telephone number is 1 877 FERC ADR (337-2237) or 202-208-0702 and his e-mail address is [richard.miles@ferc.fed.us](mailto:richard.miles@ferc.fed.us).

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**  
*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-249-001]

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

April 28, 2000.

Take notice that on April 21, 2000, Transwestern Pipeline Company (Transwestern) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheet, proposed to become effective on May 15, 2000:

Substitute Original Sheet No.97

On April 21, 2000, Transwestern filed in this Docket a proposal to add a provision to the General Terms and Conditions allowing Transwestern to enter into transportation agreements with Public Service Company of New Mexico (PNM) for the purpose of providing transportation service under Transwestern's tariff. The reason for this filing is to resubmit Sheet No. 97 as the Sheet No. 97 incorrectly states the Account Number where costs would be separately recorded. The cost will be separately recorded in Account No. 858.

Transwestern further states that copies of the filing have been mailed to each of its customers and interested State Commissions.

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