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 in accordance with 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. This filing may also be viewed on the Web at http://www.ferc.gov using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link.

#### David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP01-432-000]

# Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice to Abandon Service

October 22, 2001.

Take notice that on August 23, 2001, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern) filed a request, pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act, requesting permission and approval to abandon service under an individually certificated agreement, all as more fully set forth in the application. Specifically, Northern proposes to abandon service with Westar Transmission Company under Rate Schedule X-45, contained in its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 2. Northern further states that the underlying contract has not provided service for several years and has been terminated in accordance with the contract terms. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Web at http://www.ferc.gov using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before November 12, 2001, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 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 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. Comments, protests, and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under "e-Filing" link.

## David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

#### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP01-382-006]

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

October 22, 2001.

Take notice that on October 16, 2001, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets proposed to be effective November 1, 2001.

58 Revised Sheet No. 50 59 Revised Sheet No. 51 26 Revised Sheet No. 52 Eighth Revised Sheet No. 56 Eighth Revised Sheet No. 263 Eighth Revised Sheet No. 263A Fourth Revised Sheet No. 263B

Northern and the parties have reached a settlement in principle that resolves all issues in this proceeding as well as all issues in Northern's System
Levelized Account (SLA) proceedings in Docket Nos. RP01–76 and RP01–396.
The reason for this filing is to request permission to implement effective November 1, 2001, a Carlton
Commodity Surcharge of \$0.0175, subject to refund and subject to the outcome of Commission action on a settlement that will be filed in the near future.

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

Any person desiring to protest said 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 in accordance with 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. This filing may also be viewed on the Web at http://www.ferc.gov using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link.

#### David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP01-278-002]

### Texas Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Compliance Filing

October 22, 2001.

Take notice that on October 17, 2001, Texas Gas Transmission Corporation (Texas Gas) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets to become effective October 1, 2001:

#### Primary

Third Revised Sheet No. 181 Third Revised Sheet No. 182 Third Revised Sheet No. 183 Sheet No. 184 (reserved) Second Revised Sheet No. 185

#### Alternate

Alternate Third Revised Sheet No. 181 Alternate Third Revised Sheet No. 182 Alternate Third Revised Sheet No. 183

Texas Gas states that this filing is being submitted in compliance with the Commission's Order issued on September 19, 2001 in the abovereferenced docket. As directed, the tariff sheets removed the daily high/low index price for cash-out. In response, Texas Gas proposes to establish a cashout price based on a weekly high/low index price determined from the weeks within the applicable month, plus the first week of the following month. The primary and alternate sheets require inkind make-up of imbalances up to 2% and use the same index price for imbalances above 5%. However, the primary sheets also propose to eliminate cash-out for all imbalances up to 5% by also requiring a mandatory in-kind make-up level from 2% to 5% and by eliminating any use of the 100% price index for this tier of imbalance.

Texas Gas states that copies of the revised tariff sheets are being mailed to Texas Gas's jurisdictional customers and interested state commissions.

Any person desiring to protest said 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 in accordance with 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. This filing may also be viewed on the Web at http://www.ferc.gov using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site under the "e-Filing" link.

#### David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

#### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions To Intervene, Protests, and Comments

October 22, 2001.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. Type of Application: Preliminary Permit.

b. Project No.: 12121-000.

- c. Date filed: September 18, 2001. d. Applicant: The City of Rice Lake Utilities, Wisconsin.
- e. Name of Project: Rice Lake Dam. f. *Location:* On Rice Lake and Red Cedar River, in Barron County, Wisconsin. The project does not utilize Federal or tribal lands.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791(a)-825(r).
- h. Applicant Contact: Scott Reimer GM/CEO, Rice Lake Utilities, 320 West Coleman Street, Rice Lake, Wisconsin 54868, (715) 234-7004; Loyal Gake, North American Hydro, Inc., P.O. Box 167, Neshkoro, Wisconsin 54960, (920) 293-4628 ext. 12.
- i. FERC Contact: Regina Saizan, (202) 219-2673
- j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene, protests, and comments: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20426. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site under the "e-Filing" link.

Please include the project number (P-12121–000) on any comments, protests, or motions filed.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all interveners filing a document with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person in the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervener files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. Description of Project: The proposed project would consist of: (1) An existing 21-foot-high, 171-foot-long concrete dam owned by Barron County, (2) three proposed 4-foot-long, 54-inchdiameter steel penstocks, (3) a proposed powerhouse containing three generating units having a total installed capacity of 336 kW, (4) a proposed 200-foot-long, 15 kV transmission line, and (5) appurtenant facilities. The project would have an annual generation of 1.3

l. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Web at http://www.ferc.gov using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

m. Preliminary Permit—Anyone desiring to file a competing application for preliminary permit for a proposed project must submit the competing application itself, or a notice of intent to file such an application, to the Commission on or before the specified comment date for the particular application (see 18 CFR 4.36). Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing preliminary permit application no later than 30 days after the specified comment date for the particular application. A competing preliminary permit application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30(b) and 4.36.

n. Preliminary Permit—Any qualified development applicant desiring to file a competing development application must submit to the Commission, on or before a specified comment date for the particular application, either a competing development application or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent to file a development application allows an interested person to file the competing application no later than 120 days after the specified comment date for the particular application. A competing license application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30(b) and 4.36.

o. Notice of Intent-A notice of intent must specify the exact name, business address, and telephone number of the prospective applicant, and must include an unequivocal statement of intent to submit, if such an application may be filed, either a preliminary permit application or a development application (specify which type of application). A notice of intent must be served on the applicant(s) named in this public notice.

p. Proposed Scope of Studies under Permit—A preliminary permit, if issued, does not authorize construction. The term of the proposed preliminary permit would be 36 months. The work proposed under the preliminary permit would include economic analysis, preparation of preliminary engineering plans, and a study of environmental impacts. Based on the results of these studies, the Applicant would decide whether to proceed with the preparation of a development application to construct and operate the project.

q. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211,