Procedure and the regulations under the Federal Power Act (18 CFR chapter I), an investigation is hereby instituted in Docket No. EL04–135–000 concerning the justness and reasonableness of a long-term transmission pricing structure for the PJM and Midwest ISO regions that will be the successor to through and out rates, as discussed in the body of this order.

(B) The Secretary shall promptly publish a copy of the Commission's order in Docket No. EL04–135–000 in the **Federal Register**.

(C) The refund effective date in Docket No. EL04–135–000, established pursuant to section 206(b) of the Federal Power Act, will be December 1, 2004.

(D) Notices of intervention and motions to intervene in Docket No. EL04–135–000 are due on or before October 15, 2004.

By the Commission.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP04-412-000]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

September 23, 2004.

Take notice that on September 17, 2004, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68103–0330, filed in Docket No. CP04–412–000, a request pursuant to its blanket certificate issued September 1, 1982, under Docket No. CP82–401–000, for authority under Section 157.208 of the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 157.208) to reduce the maximum allowable operating pressure (MAOP) of the 16-inch diameter Omaha 2nd branchline, located in Sarpy and Douglas Counties, Nebraska.

Northern proposes to reduce the MAOP of the 16-inch diameter Omaha 2nd branchline between milepost 15.448 and milepost 20.700 from 537 psig to 360 psig. Northern states that the proposed reduction of the MAOP will still allow Northern to meet its current contractual firm obligations. Northern asserts that no construction activities will be required to facilitate the MAOP reduction.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to

Michael T. Loeffler, Director, Certificates for Northern Natural Gas Company, 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, at (402) 398–7103 or Bret Fritch, Senior Regulatory Analyst, at (402) 398–7140.

This filing is available for review at the Commission or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at

FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free at (866) 208–3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502–8659. Protests, comments 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. The Commission strongly encourages interveners to file electronically.

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 therefore, 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.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP04-565-001]

Northwest Pipeline Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

September 23, 2004.

Take notice that on September 15, 2004, Northwest Pipeline Corporation (Northwest) supplemented its August 31, 2004, filing in Docket No. RP04– 565–000 and tendered the following pro forma tariff sheets for potential inclusion in its FERC Gas Tariff.

Third Revised Volume No. 1

Pro Forma Sheet No. 14 Pro Forma Sheet No. 231–C

Original Volume No. 2

Pro Forma Sheet No. 2.1

Northwest states that the purpose of this filing is to offer an alternative to the increased Evergreen Expansion incremental fuel surcharge included in its August 31, 2004, filing in Docket No. RP04–565–000.

Northwest states that a copy of this filing has been served upon all parties on the Commission's Official Service List in this proceeding.

Any person desiring to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rule 211 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). Protests to this filing will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Such protests must be filed in accordance with the provisions of section 154.210 of the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 154.210). Anyone filing a protest must serve a copy of that document on all the parties to the proceeding.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests in lieu of paper using the "e-Filing" link at http://www.ferc.gov. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at http://www.ferc.gov, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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