| Number of respondents annually (1) | Number of<br>responses<br>per re-<br>spondent<br>(2) | Average burden<br>hours per re-<br>sponse<br>(3) | Total annual burden hours (1)X(2)X(3) |
|------------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| 15                                 | 1  | 10 hours   | 150 hours.                            |

The estimated total cost to respondents is \$8,319 (150 hours divided by 2,080 hours per employee per year times \$115,357 per year average salary (including overhead) per employee = \$8,319 (rounded)).

The reporting burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide the information including: (1) Reviewing instructions; (2) developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements: (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

The estimate of cost for respondents is based upon salaries for professional and clerical support, as well as direct and indirect overhead costs. Direct costs include all costs directly attributable to providing this information, such as administrative costs and the cost for information technology. Indirect or overhead costs are costs incurred by an organization in support of its mission. These costs apply to activities which benefit the whole organization rather than any one particular function or activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology

*e.g.* permitting electronic submission of responses.

#### Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-498-00]

## Koch Gateway Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes To FERC Gas Tariff

August 29, 2000.

Take notice that on August 16, 2000, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company (Koch) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, to become effective March 27, 2000 and September 15, 2000.

Tariff Sheets to be Effective March 27, 2000

Third Revised Sheet No. 3600 Third Revised Sheet No. 3601 Fourth Revised Sheet No. 3605 Third Revised Sheet No. 3612

Tariff Sheets to be Effective September 15, 2000

Sixth Revised Sheet No. 3700 Original Sheet No. 3700A Third Revised Sheet No. 3704

Koch states that the purpose of this filing is to comply with the Commission's Regulation of Short-Term Natural Gas Transportation Services and Regulation of Interstate Natural Gas Transportation Services in Docket Nos. RM98–10–000 and RM98–12–000 (Order No. 637). Among other things, the Commission in Order No. 637 waived the rate ceiling for short-term capacity release transactions and limited the availability of the right of first refusal to contracts at the maximum tariff rate having a term of twelve consecutive months or longer. On May 19, 2000, the Commission issued order 637-A which modified Order No. 637 to provide the right of first refusal will apply to multi-year seasonal contracts at the maximum rate for services not offered by the pipeline for twelve

consecutive months. Accordingly, Koch has modified its tariff to comply with these requirements of Order Nos. 637 and 637A.

Koch states that copies of this filing have been served upon Koch's customers, state commissions and other interested parties.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such 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 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. 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. CP00-445-000]

# National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation; Notice of Application

August 29, 2000.

Take notice that on August 23, 2000, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation (National Fuel), 10 Lafayette Square, Buffalo, New York 142032, filed in Docket No. CP00–445–000 an application pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act for permission to increase the maximum operating pressure of a compressor and a segment of downstream pipeline in Venango County, Pennsylvania, all as more fully set forth in the application on file with