

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP00-109-000]

**Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization**

March 9, 2000.

Take notice that on March 6, 2000, Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation (Texas Eastern), P.O. Box 1642, Houston, Texas 77251-1642, filed in Docket No. CP00-67-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.208, and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.208, 157.216) for authorization to construct, operate, and maintain certain replacement facilities on Texas Eastern's existing 30-inch Line No. 16 located in Harris County, Texas as a miscellaneous rearrangement of existing facilities and to abandon by removal that segment of facilities being replaced under Texas Eastern's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-535-000, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that in 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).

Texas Eastern requests authorization to: (i) construct, install, own, operate, and maintain approximately 3,112 feet of 30-inch pipeline on Texas Eastern's Line 16 in the Houston Ship Channel (HSC) from approximately milepost (MP) 341.68 to MP 342.05; (ii) install a 30-inch valve at MP 340.68 upstream of the rearrangement segment; (iii) remove and abandon approximately 3,176 feet of the existing 30-inch Line No. 16 mainline of which approximately 2,342 feet will be removed and 834 feet will be abandoned in place; and (iv) remove approximately 1,989 feet of the existing 30-inch auxiliary Line No. 16. Texas Eastern declares that the replacement of the facilities is necessary to accommodate the deepening and widening of the HSC as proposed by the Port of Houston.

Texas Eastern states that the estimated cost of the HSC pipeline replacement and removals is approximately \$8,662,000.

Texas Eastern declares that its proposal herein will be accomplished without detriment or disadvantage to Texas Eastern's customers.

Any questions regarding the application should be directed to Steven E. Tillman at (713) 627-5113, Texas

Eastern Transmission Corporation, P.O. Box 1642, Houston, Texas 77251-1642.

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 therefor, 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.

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

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RP00-204-001]

**Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff**

March 9, 2000.

Take notice that on March 6, 2000 Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, Substitute Sixteenth Revised Tariff Sheet No. 27. The proposed effective date of the enclosed tariff sheet is April 1, 2000.

Transco states that the purpose of the instant filing is to supplement Transco's Transmission Electric Power Cost Adjustment Filing of March 1, 2000 (March 1 Filing), which filing inadvertently neglected to revise the Rate Schedule GSS Excess Delivery Charge. In order to reflect the correct rate, Transco is submitting Substitute Sixteenth Revised Tariff Sheet No. 27 to replace the tariff sheet effective April 1, 2000 in the March 1 Filing.

Transco states that it is serving copies of the instant filing to its affected customers, State Commissions and other interested parties.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C.

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. 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**

[Project Nos. 2731-020 &amp; 2737-002 Vermont]

**Central Vermont Public Service Corporation; Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment**

March 9, 2000.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission's) regulations, 18 CFR part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Hydropower Licensing has reviewed the applications for new license for the continued operation of the Weybridge and Middlebury Lower Hydroelectric Projects located on Otter Creek, in the towns of Middlebury and Weybridge, Addison County, Vermont, and has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for the projects. In the DEA, the Commission's staff has analyzed the potential environmental impacts of the projects and has concluded that approval of the projects, with appropriate environmental protection measures, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

Copies of the DEA are available for review in the Public Reference Branch, Room 2-A, of the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. The DEA may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm>. Please call (202) 208-2222 for assistance.

Any comments should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice and