

for the 2006–2007 winter heating season.

On November 10, 2005, the Commission staff granted CEGT's request to utilize the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Pre-Filing Process and assigned Docket No. PF06–1–000 to staff activities involving CEGT. Now, as of the filing of CEGT's application on March 10, 2006, the NEPA Pre-Filing Process for this project has ended. From this time forward, CEGT's proceeding will be conducted in Docket No. CP06–85–000.

Questions concerning the application should be directed to: Lawrence O. Thomas, Director-Rates & Regulatory at CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Co., P.O. Box 21734, Shreveport, Louisiana 71151, or by calling (318) 429–2804; Mark C. Schroeder, Vice President & General Counsel at CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Co., P.O. Box 1700, Houston, TX 77210–1700, or by calling (713) 207–3395; and, Richard D. Avil, Jr. and Jonathan Christian at Jones Day, 51 Louisiana Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20001 or by calling 202–879–3939.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene 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 NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding. However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered.

The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules

require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

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 at <http://www.ferc.gov>. The Commission strongly encourages intervenors to file electronically. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention 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.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. eastern time on April 7, 2006.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP06–86–000]

CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

March 16, 2006.

Take notice that on March 10, 2006, CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company (CEGT), 1111 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas 77002–5231, filed in Docket No. CP06–86–000, a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR Sections 157.205 and 157.216) for authorization to abandon certain facilities in the State of Louisiana, under CEGT's blanket certificate issued in Docket Nos. CP82–384–000 and 001 pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public

inspection. The filing may also be viewed on the Web 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, contact FERC at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (886) 208–3676 or TTY, (202) 502–8659.

CEGT proposes to abandon, by sale and transfer, certain above-ground facilities that are currently a part of various CEGT delivery point facilities in the State of Louisiana as described more fully in the request. CEGT further proposes to sell and transfer these facilities to CenterPoint Energy Louisiana Gas, a distribution division of CenterPoint Energy Gas Resources Corp, d/b/a, at the estimated net book value, which as of December 31, 2005 is \$14,895.43. CEGT states that no services would be abandoned as a result of the proposed sale and transfer. Louisiana Gas, it is said, would own and operate these facilities as part of its distribution system.

Any person or the Commission's Staff may, within 45 days after the 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 Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (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 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 NGA.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Lawrence O. Thomas, Director—Rates & Regulatory, CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company, P.O. Box 21734, Shreveport, Louisiana 71151, or call (318) 429–2804 or fax (318) 429–3133.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests, and interventions via the internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "e-Filing" link.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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