site at http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PR01-9-000]

# Cranberry Pipeline Corporation; Notice of Petition for Rate Approval

March 15, 2001.

Take notice that on February 23, 2001, Cranberry Pipeline Corporation (Cranberry) filed, pursuant to section 284.123(b)(2) of the Commission's Regulations, a petition for rate approval requesting that the Commission approve: (1) a system-wide rate of 81.47 cents per MMBtu applicable to interruptible transportation service rendered on its system in the State of West Virginia; (2) a rate for Hub Service of 7.74 cents per MMBtu; and (3) a \$50 low flow meter fee. These rates will be applicable to the transportation of natural gas under section 311(a)(2) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA).

Pursuant to section 284.123(b)(2)(ii), if the Commission does not act within 150 days of the date of this filing, the rates will be deemed to be fair and equitable and not in excess of an amount which interstate pipelines would be permitted to charge for similar transportation service. The Commission may, prior to the expiration of the 150 day period, extend the time for action or institute a proceeding to afford parties an opportunity for written comments and for the oral presentation of views, data, and arguments.

Any person desiring to participate in this rate proceeding must file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All motions must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission on or before March 30, 2001. This petition for rate approval is on file with the Commission and is available for 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). Comments, protests, and interventions may be filed electronically via the

internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.200(a)(1)(iii) and the instruction on the Commission's web site at http://www.ferc.fed.us.efi/doorbell.htm.

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# **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP01-79-00]

ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Badger Pipeline Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

March 15, 2001.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the Badger Pipeline Project involving construction and operation of facilities by ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) in Racine and Kenosha Counties, Wisconsin.<sup>1</sup> These facilities consist of about 22.3 miles of 20-inch-diameter pipeline, valves, a meter station. crossover piping, and pig trap launcher/ receiver assemblies. The EA will be used by the Commission in its decisionmaking process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

If you are a landowner receiving this notice, you may be contacted by a pipeline company representative about the acquisition of an easement to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed facilities. The pipeline company would seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement. However, if the project is approved by the Commission, that approval conveys with it the right of eminent domain. Therefore, if easement negotiations fail to produce an agreement, the pipeline company could initiate condemnation proceedings in accordance with state law.

A fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled "An Interstate Natural Gas Facility On My Land? What Do I Need To Know?" was attached to the project notice ANR provided to landowners. This fact sheet addresses a number of typically asked questions, including the

use of eminent domain and how to participate in the Commission's proceedings. It is available for viewing on the FERC Internet website (www.ferc.fed.us).

# **Summary of the Proposed Project**

ANR is proposing the Badger Pipeline Project to provide 210,000 Mcfd of gas to Badger Generating Company, LLC's (Badger) proposed 1,050 megawatt gasfired power plant to be constructed in the Village of Pleasant Prairie in Kenosha County, Wisconsin. To serve Badger's needs, ANR proposes to construct the following new facilities:

- about 12.8 miles of 20-inch-diameter pipeline loop <sup>2</sup> along ANR's existing 10- and 12-inch-diameter Racine Laterals between Mainline Valve No. 8 (milepost (MP) 0.0) in Burlington Township, Racine County and the existing Somers Meter Station (MP 12.8) in Paris township, Kenosha County;
- about 9.5 miles of 20-inch-diameter pipeline lateral <sup>3</sup> would be located adjacent to existing rights-of-way (gas pipelines, a 345 kV electric transmission line, and the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific Railroad) between the Somers Meter Station (MP 12.8) and the proposed Badger Plant (MP 22.3) in Pleasant Prairie Township, Kenosha County; and
- aboveground facilities consisting of a pig trap/launcher assembly at the tiein of the proposed pipeline (MP 0.0); a mainline valve and crossover piping at the existing Somers Meter Station (MP 12.8); and a meter station, valve, and pig trap/receiver assembly to be located at the proposed Badger Plan site (MP 22.3).

The general location of ANR's proposed facilities is shown on the map attached as appendix 1.4

#### **Land Requirements for Construction**

Construction of ANR's proposed pipeline loop and lateral would require about 212.5 acres of land. ANR proposes to use a 75-foot wide construction right-of-way, and retain a 50-foot wide permanent pipeline right-of-way. Total land requirements for the permanent

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ANR's application was filed with the Commission on February 1, 2001, under Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A loop is a segment of pipeline that is installed adjacent to an existing pipeline and connected to it on both ends. The loop allows more gas to be moved through the pipeline system.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> A lateral is a pipeline which branches away from the central or primary part of the pipeline system.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the **Federal Register**. Copies are available on the Commission's website at the "RIM" link or from the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or call (202) 208–1371. For instructions on connecting to RIMS refer to the last page of this notice. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail.