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[Docket No. EL00-95-000, et al.]

Notice Establishing Due Dates for Filing Comments on the October 7, 2004 Technical Conference

October 13, 2004.

San Diego Gas & Electric Company, Complainant v. Sellers of Energy and Ancillary Services Into Markets Operated by the California Independent System Operator and the California Power Exchange, Respondents [Docket No. EL00– 95–000].

Investigation of Practices of the California Independent System Operator and the California Power Exchange [Docket No. EL00–98–000, et al.]

California Independent System Operator Corporation [Docket No. ER03–746–000, et al.]

On October 7, 2004, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Staff held a technical conference to discuss with the California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO) and market participants and to facilitate a better understanding of several aspects of the CAISO's proposed methodology for allocating the fuel cost allowance, including: The netting of sales and purchases, the CAISO's proposed format for submitting fuel cost allowance claims, the impact of private settlements on fuel cost allowance allocation, and other miscellaneous issues.

As previously announced at the technical conference, interested participants should submit comments arising from the discussions at the October 7, 2004 technical conference no later than October 15, 2004. Reply comments should be filed no later than October 20, 2004.

In the event that the auditor Ernst & Young has questions and concerns regarding the auditing process, it should submit them as part of comments following the technical conference no later than October 15, 2004, to provide other participants with the opportunity to comment and to allow the

Commission to address these questions in a future order.

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[Docket No. AD04-10-000]

Enhanced Reporting of Natural Gas Storage Inventory Information; Technical Conference and Agenda

September 17, 2004.

As announced on August 2, 2004, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) will hold a technical conference on September 28, 2004 at 9:30 a.m. (e.s.t.) in the Commission Meeting Room at the Commission's headquarters, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC.

The conference is intended to explore whether the Commission should institute a generic rulemaking to require interstate natural gas pipeline companies and other owners and operators of natural gas storage facilities to electronically post each day actual natural gas storage inventory levels on their systems for the preceding day. Specifically, the technical conference will look into the feasibility, usefulness and appropriateness of requiring posting on a standardized basis for the previous gas day: (1) Net aggregate actual injection or withdrawal data; (2) actual total available working gas; and (3) actual total storage inventory volume. The Commission's staff will conduct the conference and members of the Commission and guest Commissioners may attend.

Agenda for the Conference

William Hederman, Director, Office of Market Oversight & Investigations Opening Remarks 9:30 to 9:35 a.m. John Kroeger, OMOI, Division of Enforcement

Introduction to the Technical
Conference 9:35 to 9:50 a.m.
Elizabeth Campbell, Director, Natural
Gas Division, Energy Information
Administration 9:50 to 10:10 a.m.
Panel 1: Interstate Storage Operators and
Customers: 10:10 to 11 a.m.

Process, Costs and Benefits

Discussion of the feasibility, usefulness and appropriateness of posting on a standardized basis for the previous gas day: (1) Net aggregate actual injection or withdrawal data; (2)

actual total available working gas; and (3) actual total storage inventory volume. Speakers will discuss costs of daily reporting, how the accuracy of reporting can be assured, and how corrections or adjustments to reported activity would be made. Speakers will also discuss the value of daily reporting and the benefits that pipeline customers and gas traders might receive from enhanced and timelier reporting.

- Anne Bomar, Managing Director of Rates, Dominion Transmission Inc.
- Jeff Keck, Manager of Operations Control, ANR.
- Arthur Corbin, President & General Manager, Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia (on behalf of American Public Gas Association).
- Gary Chapman, Senior Commercial Representative, Dow Chemical Co. (on behalf of Industrial Energy Consumers of America).

Question and Answers 11 to 11:30 a.m.

Lunch 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Panel 2: Intrastate and Local
Distribution Company Storage
Operators: Process, Costs and Benefits

12:30 to 1:20 p.m.

Speakers are asked to address the same issues addressed by members of Panel 1. In addition, speakers are requested to address concerns triggered by the prospect of enhanced reporting that may be germane to the often differing obligations and business purposes of intrastate pipelines and local distribution companies relative to interstate pipeline companies. These concerns may include gas purchase activities and the legal authority of the Commission to impose enhanced reporting requirements on intrastate pipelines and local distribution companies that provide service

Commission's regulations.

• Thomas Pearce, Chair of the Gas Staff Subcommittee of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC).

pursuant to subpart C of part 284 of the

- Rick Daniel, President, EnCana Gas Storage.
- Leonard Gilmore, Manager of Pipeline Regulation and Supply Planning, Northern Illinois Gas Company.
- David Taylor, Director of Gas Operations, Southern California Gas Company.
- Tim Oaks, Manager of Federal Regulatory Affairs & Contract Administration, UGI Utilities, Inc. (on behalf of the American Gas Association).

Questions and Answers 1:20 to 1:50 p.m.