

additional TRU waste that contains PCBs during the process of characterizing their TRU waste for disposal at WIPP. Subject to further NEPA review, as appropriate, DOE would dispose of this waste at WIPP if it meets all of the acceptance criteria for placement in the repository. DOE's decision in this ROD to dispose of this waste at WIPP constitutes the designation of that waste for purposes of section 9(a)(1)(H) of the WIPP Land Withdrawal Act.

DOE needs to safely and securely dispose of the TRU waste containing PCBs that has accumulated at its facilities and to provide for the disposal of such waste that it may generate in the future. DOE has requested and received the primary regulatory authorizations necessary to proceed with this decision. EPA has granted DOE's request for authorization to operate WIPP as a chemical waste landfill in accordance with TSCA, having confirmed that most of DOE's TRU waste with PCBs is remediation waste that can be disposed of at WIPP. Further, the State of New Mexico has approved a modification to WIPP's hazardous waste facility permit that removed language reciting the prohibition on disposal of TRU waste with PCBs. For the reasons discussed above, and in light of the finding that no further NEPA review is required, DOE can now safely isolate these wastes from the environment by disposing of them at WIPP.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP04-362-000]

#### Colorado Interstate Gas Company; Notice of Application

June 23, 2004.

Take notice that Colorado Interstate Gas Company (CIG), Post Office Box 1087, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80944, filed in Docket No. CP04-362-000 on June 14, 2004, an application pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), as amended, to abandon, convert, and reclassify certain natural gas storage assets in the Boehm Storage Field in Morton County, Kansas. Specifically CIG proposes to plug and

abandon nine wells and to convert and reclassify 12 other wells which will be placed into revised use in the storage field. CIG states that the plugging and abandoning activities are being undertaken to remove from service certain wells which are operationally obsolete and that these activities must be completed in order for CIG to comply with the underground storage regulations recently promulgated by the Kansas Corporation Commission, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be also 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, call (202) 502-8659 or TTY, (202) 208-3676.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Robert T. Tomlinson, Director, Regulatory Affairs Department, Colorado Interstate Gas Company, as operator for Young Gas Storage Company, Ltd., P.O. Box 1087, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80944; at (719) 520-3788, fax (719) 667-7534.

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 stated below, 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.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

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.

*Comment Date:* July 14, 2004.

**Magalie R. Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP04-328-000]

#### El Paso Natural Gas Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

June 23, 2004.

Take notice that on June 9, 2004, El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1A, Third Revised Sheet No. 290A, with an effective date of July 12, 2004.

El Paso states that the tariff sheet establishes procedures for demonstrating the availability of capacity prior to re-sale.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC