

Accession Number: 20171108–5122.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 11/20/17.
Docket Numbers: RP18–151–000.
Applicants: Rockies Express Pipeline LLC.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing; Neg Rate 2017–11–08 Encana to be effective 11/8/2017.

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Accession Number: 20171108–5147.
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Docket Numbers: RP18–152–000.
Applicants: Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing; Amendment to NRA Filing Tenaska Marketing Ventures RP18- to be effective 11/8/2017.

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Accession Number: 20171108–5175.
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Docket Numbers: RP18–153–000.
Applicants: Northern Natural Gas Company.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing; 20171109 Service Agreement Form Revisions to be effective 12/9/2017.

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Docket Numbers: RP18–154–000.
Applicants: Northern Natural Gas Company.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing; 20171109 Negotiated Rate to be effective 11/10/2017.

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Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 11/21/17.

Docket Numbers: RP17–955–001.
Applicants: Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, L.L.C.

Description: Report Filing; Notification of Susquehanna West Project In-Service Date RP17–955–001 CP–148–000.

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Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 11/27/17.

Docket Numbers: RP18–155–000.
Applicants: Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing; Negotiated Rates—Nat Gas & Electric 795328 to be effective 11/10/2017.

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Docket Numbers: RP18–156–000.
Applicants: Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC.

Description: § 4(d) Rate Filing; Negotiated Rates—BP 511017 eff 11–10–2017 to be effective 11/10/2017.

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Accession Number: 20171113–5007.
Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 11/27/17.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the links or querying the docket number.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and § 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf>. For other information, call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Dated: November 13, 2017.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP17–133–000]

Northwest Pipeline LLC; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed North Fork Nooksack Line Lowering Project

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) for the North Fork Nooksack Line Lowering Project, proposed by Northwest Pipeline LLC (Northwest) in the above-referenced docket. Northwest requests authorization to replace and lower approximately 1,700 feet of 30-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline, and remove about 1,550 feet of previously abandoned 26-inch-diameter pipeline in Whatcom County, Washington. The North Fork Nooksack Line Lowering Project would eliminate a potential obstruction to river flow and improve system reliability.

The EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the North Fork Nooksack Line Lowering Project in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The FERC staff concludes that approval of the proposed project, with appropriate mitigating measures, would not constitute a major federal action

significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has participated as a cooperating agency in the preparation of the EA. Cooperating agencies have jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to resources potentially affected by the proposal and participate in the NEPA analysis.

The proposed North Fork Nooksack Line Lowering Project includes the following:

- Remove, replace, and lower approximately 1,700 feet of 30-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline in the same trench; and
- remove approximately 1,550 feet of previously abandoned 26-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline that would become exposed during the removal and installation of the 30-inch-diameter pipeline.

The FERC staff mailed copies of the EA to federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; Native American tribes; potentially affected landowners and other interested individuals and groups; and newspapers and libraries in the project area. In addition, the EA is available for public viewing on the FERC's Web site (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. A limited number of copies of the EA are available for distribution and public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference Room, 888 First Street NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502–8371.

Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. To ensure that the Commission has the opportunity to consider your comments prior to making its decision on this project, it is important that we receive your comments in Washington, DC on or before December 13, 2017.

For your convenience, there are three methods you can use to file your comments to the Commission. In all instances, please reference the project docket number (CP17–133–000) with your submission. The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments and has expert staff available to assist you at (202) 502–8258 or FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov.

(1) You can file your comments electronically using the eComment feature on the Commission's Web site (www.ferc.gov) under the link to Documents and Filings. This is an easy

method for submitting brief, text-only comments on a project;

(2) You can also file your comments electronically using the eFiling feature on the Commission's Web site (www.ferc.gov) under the link to Documents and Filings. With eFiling, you can provide comments in a variety of formats by attaching them as a file with your submission. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on eRegister. You must select the type of filing you are making. If you are filing a comment on a particular project, please select "Comment on a Filing"; or

(3) You can file a paper copy of your comments by mailing them to the following address: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.

Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214).¹ Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision. The Commission grants affected landowners and others with environmental concerns intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have a clear and direct interest in this proceeding which no other party can adequately represent. Simply filing environmental comments will not give you intervenor status, but you do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208-FERC, or on the FERC Web site (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on "General Search," and enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field (*i.e.*, CP17-133). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription which allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with

notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/subscription.asp.

Dated: November 13, 2017.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meetings

FEDERAL REGISTER CITATION NOTICE OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT: 82 FR 52902.

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED TIME AND DATE OF THE MEETING: Thursday, November 16, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

CHANGES IN THE MEETING: *The Following Matter Was Also Considered:* REG 2011-02 (Internet Communication Disclaimers).

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Judith Ingram, Press Officer, Telephone: (202) 694-1220.

Dayna C. Brown,
Secretary and Clerk of the Commission.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

[Petition No. P4-16]

Petition of the Coalition for Fair Port Practices for Rulemaking; Notice of Public Hearing and Request for Comments

AGENCY: Federal Maritime Commission.

ACTION: Notice of hearing and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Commission has determined to hold hearings on January 16 and 17, 2018, to receive oral testimony concerning the Petition of the Coalition for Fair Port Practices for Rulemaking.

DATES: Request for appearance and comments are due by December 8, 2017.

ADDRESSES: All requests to appear and comments should be addressed to: Rachel Dickon, Assistant Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, 800 North Capitol St. NW., Room 1046, Washington, DC 20573-0001, Email: secretary@fmc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 7, 2016 the Coalition for Fair Port Practices petitioned the Federal Maritime Commission (Commission)

pursuant to 46 CFR 502.51 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure to initiate a rulemaking proceeding. Petitioner states the purpose of the rulemaking is for the Commission to adopt "a rule that will interpret the Shipping Act of 1984 . . . specifically 46 U.S.C. 41102(c)". The petition and comments received are posted on the Commission's Web site at <https://www.fmc.gov/p4-16/>.

The Commission will hold public hearings to explore further the issues surrounding P4-16, the Petition of the Coalition for Fair Port Practices and the related comments filed in this proceeding. The hearings will take place on January 16 and 17, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission's Main Hearing Room, 800 North Capitol Street NW., Washington, DC. The hearing will be open for public observation.

Any person wishing to participate and speak at the hearing must send a request to appear as a participant witness no later than December 8, 2017, and include the name, street address, email address, telephone number, and the name of your company or employer, if any, together with a summary of the intended testimony, not to exceed three pages. The Commission will extend invitations to selected interested witnesses to participate in the hearing and may invite others to participate.

Copies of all written submissions will be posted to the Commission's Web site and will be available in the Commission's Office of the Secretary.

The petition arose out of experiences of coalition members—importers, exporters, drayage providers, freight forwarders, customs brokers, and third-party logistics providers—with port congestion that ultimately led to vessel ocean common carrier (VOCC) and marine terminal operator (MTO) assessments of detention, demurrage, and per diem charges. The petition lists events over the preceding five years that led to port congestion including Hurricane Sandy (2012), harsh winter (2013–2014), west coast labor agreement (2014–2015), cargo diversions from west coast to east coast (2015), winter storms (2014–2015), port hiring practices protests—New York/New Jersey (June 2016), and the Hanjin bankruptcy (Fall 2016).

On December 20, 2016, the Commission published a notice in the **Federal Register** asking interested persons to submit views or arguments in reply to the Petition. The Commission received 115 responses, including comments from Members of Congress, trade and shipper associations representing various interests, individual importers, exporters,

¹ See the previous discussion on the methods for filing comments.