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Protest Date: December 23, 2002.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[No. RP03-201-000]

Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

December 18, 2002.

Take notice that on December 12, 2002 Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, and Original Volume No. 2, the tariff sheets listed Appendix A to the filing, with a proposed effective date of February 1, 2003.

Transco states that the purpose of the instant filing is to terminate Section 7(c) firm transportation service under Rate Schedules X-319 and X-320 and to convert such services to service provided under Rate Schedule FT pursuant to Transco's blanket transportation certificate and part 284 of the Commission's regulations effective February 1, 2003.

Transco states that the rates applicable to the converted service are the generally applicable reservation and commodity charges under Rate Schedule FT (including fuel) as set forth on tariff sheet numbers 40, 40.01 and 40.02 to Transco's Third Revised Volume No. 1 Tariff.

Transco states that copies of the filing are being mailed to North Jersey Energy Associates, Northeast Energy Associates and interested State Commissions.

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 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in

determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "FERRIS" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For Assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at *FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov* or toll-free at (866) 208-3676, or TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link.

Intervention Date: December 24, 2002.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ES03-16-000]

Wayne-White Counties Electric Cooperative, Notice of Application

December 18, 2002.

Take notice that on December 10, 2002, Wayne-White Counties Electric Cooperative (Wayne-White) submitted an application pursuant to section 204 of the Federal Power Act seeking authorization to make long-term borrowings under a loan agreement with the National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$14,886,531.02.

Wayne-White also requests a waiver of the Commission's competitive bidding and negotiated placement requirements at 18 CFR 34.2.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make

protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date, and, to the extent applicable, must be served on the applicant and on any other person designated on the official service list. This filing is available for review at the Commission or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "FERRIS" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. 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. 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. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

Comment Date: January 3, 2003.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. RM01-12-000, RM02-1-000 and RM02-12-000]

Notice Amending Procedures Described in November 12, 2002 Notice

December 17, 2002.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice Regarding Technical Conference.

SUMMARY: The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission issued a Notice Of Possible Discussion Items For January 21, 2003 Queuing Technical Conference on December 17, 2002 that included information on the conference and an attachment of possible topics of discussion and instructions on how to participate in the conference.

DATES: Persons interested in speaking should file a request to speak on or before December 30, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Norma McOmber, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-8022.

Remedying Undue Discrimination Through Open Access Transmission Service and Standard Electricity Market Design; Standardization of Generator Interconnection Agreements and Procedures; Standardization of Small Generator Interconnection Agreements and Procedures Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking; Notice of Possible Discussion Items for January 21, 2003 Queuing Technical Conference

1. As announced on December 3, 2002, a technical conference is scheduled for January 21, 2003 in the Commission Meeting Room (Room 2C) at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC. The conference is open to the public and registration is not required; however, those planning to attend are asked to notify the Commission of their intent at <http://www.ferc.gov/registration/012103.htm>. Commissioners may attend and participate in the discussions. The conference will run from approximately 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Background

2. On April 24, 2002, the Commission issued the Standardization of Generator Interconnection Agreements and Procedures Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (Interconnection NOPR) in Docket No. RM02-1-000 which addressed interconnection agreements and procedures for generators of all sizes. Subsequently, supporters of small generators asked the Commission to consider developing streamlined procedures and requirements that would allow small generators to avoid the unnecessary delay that they claim would occur if they were subjected to the more extensive interconnection studies and other procedures required for large generators. The Commission subsequently severed the subject of interconnection of generators up to and including 20 MW from the Interconnection NOPR and initiated another docket, RM02-12-000 (Small Generator Interconnection Rulemaking). The Commission issued an Advance notice of Proposed Rulemaking (Small Generator ANOPR) in this docket on August 6, 2002.

3. During the course of the Interconnection NOPR Proceeding, the Small Generator Interconnection ANOPR proceedings, as well as the Commission's Standard Market Design NOPR (SMD NOPR) proceeding in Docket No. RM01-12-000, participants have raised a number of significant issues concerning queuing procedures for interconnection requests.

4. The purpose of the technical conference is to explore these issues in greater detail and to provide us with the information we need to adopt consistent policies for wholesale electric markets in each of these related rulemakings. The technical conference is intended to be a working session that focuses on clarifying areas of concern with the referenced proceedings, resolving differences, and devising solutions to the difficult issues that have been identified. To make the conference successful, we encourage participants to come prepared to offer concrete solutions to the issues raised and to support alternative proposals.

Opportunity for Self-Nomination To Present at Technical Conference

5. Persons interested in speaking should file a request to speak on or before December 30, 2002 by e-mailing their request to Norma.McOmber@ferc.gov. The request to speak must include the name of the speaker; his or her title; the person or entity the speaker represents; area of interest; and the speaker's mailing address, telephone number, facsimile number and e-mail address. Speakers will be selected to allow staff to hear diverse, constructive concrete solutions. Hence, not all self-nominated speakers may be invited to speak. Since time allotted for the conference is limited, interested speakers are encouraged to coordinate their efforts with others who may have similar positions.

6. The Attachments to this Notice sets forth possible topics for discussion. As further details related to this technical conference develop, subsequent notices will be issued.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Deputy Secretary.

Attachment: Possible Topics for Discussion

1. Provide information on existing queues.

A. Summarize the rules that govern the queue of a specific transmission provider: How a generator's queue position is determined; how small generators (20 MW) are handled in the queue; what milestones must be met to retain queue position; what events trigger a change in queue position or removal from the queue; how inactive projects are treated; how queue position determines responsibility for costs of studies and upgrades; how queue position determines entitlements to financial transmission rights or other property rights; how a change in the queue position of one generator affects the cost responsibility of others; and how Qualifying Facilities are treated.

B. Would proposed restrictions on the Critical Energy Infrastructure Information Rulemaking proceeding (Docket Nos. RM02-4-000, PL02-1-000) affect parties' ability to site plants or interconnect cleanly?

C. What siting and grid operations information is needed to obtain a position in the queue, where is this information kept, and what are the rules for accessing this information?

D. Describe any differences in the way small and large generators are treated for queuing purposes.

E. Describe any differences in the way "energy resources" and "network (or capacity) resources" are treated for queuing purposes.

F. Discuss whether generator interconnection requests and transmission service requests are included in the same queue. If not, describe the relationship between the two queues. What is the relationship between the transmission planning process and the administration of the queue(s)?

G. Describe the current status of the interconnection queue, including: location, size, queue position, date of request and expected completion date of each active project; and the number, size, queue position and date of request of any projects that are inactive.

H. Do all TOs and ISOs/RTOs conduct the same interconnection studies, grid impact studies or other analyses for new project interconnection?

2. Describe good and bad experiences with queues.

A. Provide examples of good and bad experiences with queues. Panelists should be as specific as possible regarding the facts of their experiences. Of particular interest are examples of problems associated with the following: undue discrimination on the part of transmission providers; inappropriate or unrealistic milestones; inequitable cost assignments; study procedures or other requirements that lead to unnecessary project delays or increased costs; and lack of flexibility in the queuing rules.

B. Identify any problems that are specific to small generators or to large generators.

C. Describe any problems created by providing the generator with the option to interconnect as either an energy resource or a network (capacity) resource.

D. Describe any problems associated with the need to manage both interconnection requests and transmission service requests within the context of an overall transmission planning and expansion process.

3. How can queue administration be improved?

A. Identify options for improving queue administration, such as: common study/analytical techniques and tools; procedures for ensuring that the projects of independent generators are treated comparably with those of the transmission provider; treatment of inactive projects; procedures for coordinating the upgrades needed for projects in the queue with the transmission planning process; rules for assigning cost responsibility and property rights to generators in the queue; treating interconnection requests on a clustered basis as opposed to strict first-come, first-served; use of milestones to maintain queue position; and a list of actions or events that can trigger a change in queue position.

B. Should small and large non gas-fired generators receive different queuing treatment? If so, how should it be different?

C. Should the Commission standardize specific queue management practices or should it allow regional variations that are governed by a set of core principles?

D. Should queue position be treated as a property right which can be transferred?

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7426-7]

Agency Information Collection Activities; OMB Responses

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notices.

SUMMARY: This document announces the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) responses to Agency clearance requests, in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR chapter 15.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Auby at 566-1672, or email at Auby.susan@epa.gov, and please refer to the appropriate EPA Information Collection Request (ICR) Number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Responses to Agency Clearance Requests

OMB Approvals

EPA ICR No. 1745.04; Criteria for Classification of Solid Waste Disposal Facilities and Practices; in 40 CFR part 257; was approved 11/20/2002; OMB No. 2050-0154; expires 01/30/2005.

EPA ICR No. 0262.10; RCRA Hazardous Waste Permit Application and Modification, Part A; in 40 CFR parts 270.11, 270.13, 270.70, 270.72; was approved 11/20/2002; OMB No. 2050-0034; expires 11/30/2005.

EPA ICR No. 1871.03; National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Source Categories: Generic Maximum Achievable Control Technology; in 40 CFR part 63, subpart YY; was approved 12/04/2002; OMB No. 2060-0420; expires 12/31/2005.

EPA ICR No. 1286.06; Used Oil Management Standards Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements; in 40 CFR parts 279.10, 279.11, 279.42, 279.43, 279.44, 279.52, 279.53, 279.54, 279.55,

279.57, 279.63 and 279.82; was approved 12/04/2002; OMB No. 2050-0124; expires 12/31/2005.

EPA ICR No. 1964.02; Reporting & Recordkeeping Requirements of the National Emission Standard for Hazardous Air Pollutants from Wet-formed Fiberglass Mat Production Industry; in 40 CFR part 63, subpart A, and 40 CFR part 63, subpart HHHH; was approved 12/09/2002; OMB No. 2060-0496; expires 12/31/2005.

EPA No. 1361.09; Information Requirements for Boilers and Industrial Furnaces: General Hazardous Waste Facility Standards, Specific Unit Requirements, & Part B Permit Application and Modification Requirements; was approved 12/09/2002; OMB No. 2050-0073; expires 12/31/2005.

Short Term Extensions

EPA ICR No. 1062.07; NSPS for Coal Preparation Plants; in 40 CFR part 60, subpart Y OMB No. 2060-0122; on 11/25/2002 OMB extended the expiration date through 02/28/2003.

Withdrawn

EPA ICR No. 2057.01; Eliciting Risk Tradeoffs for Valuing Fatal Cancer Risks; on 11/25/2002 EPA withdrew the information collection request from OMB review.

Comment Filed

EPA ICR No. 2040.01; Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements for the Refractory Products Manufacturing NESHAP; in 40 CFR part 63, subpart SSSSS; on 12/09/2002 OMB filed a comment.

Dated: December 17, 2002.

Oscar Morales,

Director, Collection Strategies Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OW-2002-0032; FRL-7427-5]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission of ICR No. 0220.09 (OMB No. 2040-0168) to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been

forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Clean Water Act Section 404 State-Assumed Programs (OMB Control No. 2040-0168, EPA ICR No. 0220.09). The ICR, which is abstracted below, describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated burden and cost.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before January 23, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Follow the detailed instructions in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lori Williams, Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds, Wetlands Division (4502T), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 202-566-1376; fax number: 202-566-1349; e-mail address: williams.lorraine@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA has submitted the following ICR to OMB for review and approval according to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12. On July 16, 2002, EPA sought comments on this ICR pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.8(d). EPA received no comments.

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID No. OW-2002-0032, which is available for public viewing at the Water Docket in the EPA Docket Center, (EPA/DC) EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the Water Docket is (202) 566-2426. An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA Dockets (EDOCKET) at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>. Use EDOCKET to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the docket ID number identified above.

Any comments related to this ICR should be submitted to EPA and OMB within 30 days of this notice, and according to the following detailed instructions:

(1) Submit your comments to EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), by e-mail to ow-docket@epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mailcode: 4101T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460, and