should address a copy of those comments to the commission, as explained below. The Commission received no comments in response to an earlier **Federal Register** notice of September 5, 2000 (65 FR 53709) and made this notation in its submission to OMB.

DATES: Comments regarding this collection are best assured of having their full effect if received on or before January 17, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Address comments to Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Federal Energy Commission Desk Officer, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503. A copy of the comments should also be sent to Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Attention: Mr. Michael Miller, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Mr. Miller may be reached by telephone at (202) 208–1415 and by e-mail at mike.miller@ferc.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description

The energy information collection submitted to OMB for review contains:

- 1. Collection of Information: FERC–588, "Emergency Natural Gas Transportation, Sale and Exchange Transactions."
- 2. *Sponsor:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.
- 3. Control No.: 1902–0144. The Commission is requesting reinstatement, with change, of the previously approved data collection for which approval expired July 31, 2000, and a three-year approval of the collection of data. This is a mandatory information collection requirement and the Commission does not consider the information to be confidential.
- 4. Necessity of Collection of information: Submission of the information is necessary to enable the Commission to carry out its responsibilities in implementing provisions of Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (Pub. L. 75–688) and provisions of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA).

Under the NGA, a natural gas company must obtain Commission approval to engage in the transportation, sale or exchange of natural gas in interstate commerce. However, section 7(c) exempts from certificate requirements "temporary acts or operations for which the issuance of a certificate will not be required in the public interest." The NGPA also provides for non-certificated interstate transactions involving intrastate

pipelines and local distribution companies.

A temporary operation, or emergency, is defined as any situation in which an actual or expected shortage of gas supply would require an interstate pipeline company, intrastate pipeline, or local distribution company, or Hinshaw pipeline to curtail deliveries of gas or provide less than the projected level of service to the customer. The natural gas companies file the necessary information with the Commission so that it may determine if the transaction/ operation qualifies for exemption. A report within forty-eight hours of the commencement of the transportation, sale or exchange, or a request to extend the sixty-day term of the emergency transportation if needed, and a termination report are required. The data required to be filed for the fortyeight hour report is specified by 18 CFR 284.270.

- 5. Respondent Description: The respondent universe currently comprises approximately 15 natural gas pipeline companies.
- 6. Estimated Burden: 150 total burden hours, 15 respondents, 15 responses annually, 10 hours per response.

Statutory Authority: Section 7(c) of the NGA (15 U.S.C. 717–717w) and provisions of NGPA (15 U.S.C. 3301–3432).

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. RP00-331-000 and RP01-23-000]

Algonquin Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Technical Conference

December 12, 2000.

On June 15, 2000, Algonquin Gas Transmission Company (Algonquin) submitted a filing to comply with Order No. 637. Several parties have protested various aspects of Algonquin's filing. Subsequently, on October 2, 2000, Algonquin submitted a filing in Docket No. RP01–23–000 to comply with Order Nos. 587–G and 587–L. The Commission accepted the 587–L filing subject to further consideration in Algonquin's Order No. 637 compliance proceeding.

Take notice that a technical conference to discuss the various issues raised by Algonquin's filings will be held on Wednesday, January 10, 2001, at 10 a.m. in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Parties protesting aspects of Algonquin's filings should be prepared to discuss alternatives.

All interested persons and Staff are permitted to attend.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP01-23-002]

Algonquin Transmission Corporation; Notice of Compliance Filing

December 12, 2000.

Take notice that on November 27, 2000, Algonquin Gas Transmission Company (Algonquin) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fourth Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheets to become effective on November 1, 2000:

Sub First Revised Sheet No. 671 Sub First Revised Sheet No. 672

Algonquin states that the filing is being made in compliance with the Commission's October 27 Order, "Order on Filings to Establish Imbalance Netting and Trading Pursuant to Order Nos. 587–G and 587–L [93 FERC ¶ 61,903 (2000)].

Algonquin also states that copies of the filing were mailed to all affected customers and interested state commissions.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such 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. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at http:// www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments and protests 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 at http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER01-332-000]

Allegheny Energy Supply Hunlock Creek, LLC; Notice of Issuance of Order

December 12, 2000.

Allegheny Energy Supply Hunlock Creek, LLC (Allegheny) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which Allegheny will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions at market-based rates. Allegheny also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, Allegheny requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by Allegheny.

On December 11, 2000, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Corporate Applications, Office of Markets, Tariffs and Rates, granted requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by Allegheny 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 385.214).

Absent a request for hearing within this period, Allegheny is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, indorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, and compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approval of Allegheny's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is January 11, 2001.

Copies of the full text of the Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The Order may also be viewed on the Internet at http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm (call 202–208–2222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP96-389-015]

Columbia Gulf Transmission Company; Notice of Negotiated Rate Filing

December 12, 2000.

Take notice that on December 4, 2000, Columbia Gulf Transmission Company (Columbia Gulf) tendered for filing the following Agreement to a recently filed negotiated rate transaction:

ITS-2 Service Agreement No. 70069 between Columbia Gulf Transmission Company and Matrix Oil & Gas, Inc. dated November 17, 2000.

Columbia Gulf states that transportation service which was scheduled to commence upon Commission approval.

Columbia Gulf states that copies of the filing have been served on all parties on the official service list created by the Secretary in this proceeding.

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. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the

web at http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm (call 202–208–2222 for assistance). Comments and protests 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 at http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP01-177-000]

Cove Point LNG Limited Partnership; Notice of Tariff Filing

December 12, 2000.

Take notice that on December 6, 2000, Cove Point LNG Limited Partnership (Cove Point) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, First Revised Sheet No. 112, with an effective date of February 1, 2001.

Cove Point states that the purpose of the instant filing is to propose a new tariff provision which will permit Cove Point, under certain limited circumstances, to reserve capacity for future expansion projects. Cove Point states that its proposed tariff revisions are consistent with current Commission policy that pipelines may reserve certain capacity for future expansion projects in a not unduly discriminatory manner.

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 of 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. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/ rims.htm (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in