

MMSCFD and that for the past three months the average throughput has been 396 MMSCFD.

Questions regarding the details of this proposed project should be directed to David E. Maranville, Counsel, Midwestern Gas Transmission Company, PO Box 2511, Houston, Texas 77252-2511, call (713) 420-3525.

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 January 25, 2001, 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 requires 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.

The Commission may issue a preliminary determination on non-environmental issues prior to the completion of its review of the environmental aspects of the project. This preliminary determination typically considers such issues as the need for the project and its economic effect on existing customers of the applicant, on other pipelines in the area, and on landowners and communities. For example, the Commission considers the extent to which the applicant may need to exercise eminent domain to obtain rights-of-way for the proposed project and balances that against the non-environmental benefits to be provided by the project. Therefore, if a person has comments on community and landowner impacts from this proposal, it is important either to file comments or to intervene, as early in the process as possible.

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 Commissions web site at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

If the Commission decides to set the application for a formal hearing before an Administrative Law Judge, the Commission will issue another notice describing that process. At the end of the Commission's review process, a final Commission order approving or denying a certificate will be issued.

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

**[Docket Nos. MG01-6-000, MG01-7-000, MG01-8-000, MG01-9-000 and MG01-10-000]**

#### Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company, et al.; Notice of Filing

January 4, 2001.

Take notice that on October 26, 2000, Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company, Sea Robin Pipeline Company, Southwest Gas Storage Company, Trunkline Gas Company and Trunkline

LNG Company filed revised standards of conduct under Order No. 637.<sup>1</sup>

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filings should file a motion to intervene or protest in each proceeding with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with rules 211 or 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 or 385.214). All such motions to intervene or protest should be filed on or before January 19, 2001. 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 in each proceeding. Copies of these filings are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-222 for assistance).

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

**[Docket No. PR01-4-000]**

#### Southeastern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Rate Election

January 4, 2001.

Take notice that on November 24, 2000, Southeastern Natural Gas Company (Southeastern), a local distribution company, filed, pursuant to Section 284.123(b)(ii), an election to use rates contained in its state transportation rate schedule for comparable services under its Section 284.224 blanket transportation certificate. Southeastern states that it has no current interstate customers, but would like to retain authorization to offer such services in the future at approved rates.

Southeastern included a copy of its October 6, 2000 filing with the Ohio Public Utilities Commission, in which the requested maximum rate for firm and interruptible intrastate transportation is \$0.40 per Ccf.

<sup>1</sup> Regulation of Short-Term Natural Gas Transportation Services and Regulation of Interstate Natural Gas Transportation Services, 63 FR 10156 (February 25, 2000), FERC Statutes and Regulations 31,091 (February 9, 2000) (Order No. 637) and Order No. 637-A, FERC Statutes and Regulations 31,099 (May 19, 2000.)