

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission**

[Docket No. RP97-14-007]

**Midwestern Gas Transmission
Company; Notice of Negotiated Rate
Filing**

May 26, 2000.

Take notice that on May 18, 2000, Midwestern Gas Transmission Company (Midwestern), tendered for filing and acceptance a copy of an executed firm gas transportation service agreement pursuant to Midwestern's Rate Schedule FT-A between Midwestern and Dynegy Marketing and Trade (Dynegy) (Contract No. 33395); and a copy of an April 18, 2000 Firm Transportation Negotiated Rate Letter Agreement entered into by Midwestern and Dynegy for Contract No. 33395 (Letter Agreement). The filed Contract No. 33395 and the Letter Agreement reflect a negotiated rate arrangement between Midwestern and Dynegy (Negotiated Rate Arrangement). Midwestern seeks a June 1, 2000 effective date for the Negotiated Rate Arrangement.

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 on or before June 1, 2000. 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).

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,*Acting Secretary.*

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[Docket No. RP00-297-000]

**Mississippi River Transmission
Corporation; Notice of Filing of Refund
Report**

May 26, 2000.

Take notice that on May 23, 2000, Mississippi River Transmission Corporation (MRT) filed a refund report allocating to MRT's former firm sales customers an Account No. 858 refund amount MRT received from CMS Trunkline Gas Co. and Trunkline LNG Co., related the sale of these companies to an unaffiliated entity, CMS, and further related to the settlement in Docket Nos. RP87-15-036, RP92-122, *et al.*

MRT states that pursuant to 16.2 of the General Terms and Conditions of MRT's Tariff and based on established Account No. 191 and 858 allocations to its former jurisdictional sales customers, MRT is allocating to each customer its pro-rata share of the \$174,657 refund.

MRT states that a copy of this filing is being mailed to each of MRT's customers and to the state commissions of Arkansas, Illinois and Missouri.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
AGENCY**

[ER-FRL-6607-8]

**Environmental Impact Statements and
Regulations; Availability of EPA
Comments**

Availability of EPA comments prepared May 15, 2000 Through May 19, 2000 pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at (202) 564-7167.

An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 14, 2000 (65 FR 20157).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-AFS-L65344-AK Rating EC2, Emerald Bay Timber Sale, Implementation, Ketchikan-Misty Fiords Ranger District, Tongass National Forest, U.S. Coast Guard Bridge Permit, NPDES Permit, and COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Cleveland Peninsula, AK.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns about the lack of detailed information in the Environment and Effects chapter, the limited range of options covered in alternatives and that the alternatives were not completely developed and analyzed in the EIS. EPA recommends these issues be addressed in the final EIS.

ERP No. D-AFS-L65346-ID Rating EC2, Middle Fork Weiser River Watershed Project, Implementation of Vegetation Restoration, Landscape Fire Pattern and Watershed Restoration Objectives, Payette National Forest, Council Ranger District, Adams County, ID.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns with potential impacts to water quality as well as the need for additional information on sediment delivery and other water quality related data.

ERP No. D-IBR-K39055-CA Rating, Salton Sea Restoration Project, Implementation, COE Section 404 Permit, Riverside and Imperial Counties, CA.

Summary: EPA concluded that the DEIS is inadequate and should be formally revised and reissued for public comment as a Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS). On the basis of the potential significant impacts involved, this proposal could be a candidate for referral to the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ). The basis for EPA's