

DATES: The Solicitation issuance is planned for mid-July, 2003.

ADDRESSES: In preparation for issuance of the Solicitation, DOE is issuing a draft Statement of Objectives for public comments and to provide the opportunity for the public to submit questions. To obtain a copy of the draft Statement of Objectives, interested parties should access the DOE Hydrogen, Fuel Cells, and Infrastructure Technologies Program Web site at <http://www.eere.energy.gov/hydrogenandfuelcells>. Also, the draft Statement of Objectives is available at <http://e-center.doe.gov> by browsing financial assistance opportunities for Solicitation Number DE-PS36-03GO93013. Questions and comments may be submitted to DOE at H2storage@go.doe.gov up to the issuance date of the Solicitation. Once issued, the Solicitation will contain instructions for question submission.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James Damm, Contracting Officer via email at h2storage@go.doe.gov. Further information on DOE's Hydrogen, Fuel Cells, and Infrastructure Technologies Program can be viewed at <http://www.eere.energy.gov/hydrogenandfuelcells>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under this Solicitation, DOE will be requesting Applications for two categories of projects. Category 1 is for Research and Development of metal hydrides, chemical hydrides, and carbon-based hydrogen storage materials to be conducted at virtual Centers of Excellence led by DOE national laboratories and including universities, small businesses, industry and/or other federal/national laboratories as partners. Only DOE national laboratories may submit joint application packages in response to Category 1. Category 2 is for Research and Development through cooperative agreements in the following areas: new materials or technologies for hydrogen storage; compressed and liquid hydrogen tank technologies; and off-board hydrogen storage systems. Category 2 Applicants may be universities, small businesses, and industry; Federal or national laboratories may be team members. Award funding, duration and cost sharing requirements are listed in Table 2 of the Statement of Objectives.

Issued in Golden, Colorado, on June 17, 2003.

Jerry L. Zimmer,

Director, Office of Acquisition and Financial Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER03-771-000]

Accent Energy New Jersey, LLC; Notice of Issuance of Order

June 19, 2003.

Accent Energy New Jersey, LLC (Accent) filed an application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying tariff. The proposed tariff provides for Accent to engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions at market-based rates. Accent also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, Accent requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by Accent.

On June 11, 2003, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Tariffs and Market Development—South, granted the request for blanket approval under part 34, subject to the following:

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by Accent 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).

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is July 11, 2003.

Absent a request to be heard in opposition by the deadline above, Accent 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 Accent, 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 Accent's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

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 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 filed to access the document. Comments, 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.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP99-301-078]

ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Negotiated Rate Filing

June 20, 2003.

Take notice that on June 16, 2003, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR), tendered for filing and approval six (6) new service agreements and amendments to two (2) existing service agreements between ANR and Wisconsin Gas Company. Also tendered for filing and approval were six (6) new service agreements and amendments to two (2) existing service agreements between ANR and Wisconsin Electric Power Company.

ANR requests that the Commission accept and approve the subject negotiated rate agreements and amendments to be effective June 16, 2003, and November 1, 2003, as applicable.

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 § 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