of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefor, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

#### David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Docket No. RP99–291–000 and RP99–291–001]

#### **Notice of Technical Conference**

January 18, 2000.

Take notice that in the above proceeding concerning Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation's new Part 284 liquefied natural gas (LNG) storage services, a technical conference will be held on Tuesday, February 15, 2000 at 10:00 am, in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20426.

All interested parties and Staff are permitted to attend.

### David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Wells Rural Electric Company; Docket No. ER00–611–000 and EL00–19–000 (not consolidated)]

## Notice of Issuance of Order

JANUARY 18, 2000. Wells Rural Electric Company (WREC) is a Nevada rural electric cooperative providing electrical service to approximately 5,300 customers in northeastern Nevada and Tooele County, Utah. On November 19, 1999, in Docket No. EL00–19–000, WREC filed a request for waiver of the requirements of Order Nos. 888 and 889.

In its filing, WREC also requested certain waivers and authorizations. In particular, WREC requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liabilities by WREC. On January 12, 2000, the Commission issued an Order Granting Request For Waivers of Order Nos. 888 And 889, Addressing Requests For Other Waivers And Accepting Agreements For Filing (Order), in the above-docketed proceedings.

The Commission's January 12, 2000 Order granted the request for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the conditions found in Ordering Paragraphs (D), (E), and (G):

- (D) Within 30 days of the date of this order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the Commission's blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities by WREC should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214.
- (E) Absent a request to be heard within the period set forth in Ordering Paragraph (D) above, WREC is hereby authorized to issue securities and assume obligations and liabilities as guarantor, indorser, surety or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issue or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of WREC compatible with the public interest, and reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.
- (G) The Commission reserves the right to modify this order to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued Commission approval of WREC's issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities . . .

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is February 11, 2000.

Copies of the full text of the Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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. ER99-2667-002, et al.]

## Ameren Operating Companies, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

January 13, 2000.

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

#### 1. Ameren Operating Companies

[Docket No. ER99-2776-002]

Take notice that on December 17, 1999, Ameren Services Company (Ameren), on behalf of the Ameren Operating Companies, made a compliance filing at the direction of the Commission's order issued in the abovecaptioned proceeding on December 1, 1999.

Copies of the filing have been served on the Illinois Commerce Commission, the Missouri Public Service Commission and all parties to the proceeding.

Comment date: January 24, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

## 2. Maine Public Service Company

[Docket No. ER00-1053-000]

Take notice that on January 11, 2000, Maine Public Service Company (MPS) submitted pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act and Part 35 of the Commission's regulations, revisions to its Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) to implement retail open access in the state of Maine, to reflect that on March 1, 2000 the Northern Maine Independent System Administrator, Inc. (Northern Maine ISA) will begin operations, to modify its rate formula for the rates charged under the OATT, and to make various other revisions and corrections to its OATT.

MPS proposes that the revised OATT rates, terms and conditions become effective March 1, 2000.

Copies of this filing were served on the current customers under the OATT, participants in Maine Public Utilities Commission Docket No. 99–185, the Northern Maine ISA, and the state commission within whose jurisdiction MPS transmits electricity under the OATT.

Comment date: January 31, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### 3. Avista Corporation

[Docket No. ER00-1054-000]

Take notice that on January 11, 2000, Avista Corporation (AVA), tendered for