obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before August 24, 2001, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 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 require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in

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.

Take further notice that pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this Application if no petition to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a petition for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission, on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given. Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Applicant to appear or be represented at the hearing.

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.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP01-361-000]

Northwest Pipeline Corporation; Notice of Site Visit

August 3, 2001.

On August 13 through August 17, 2001, the Office of Energy Projects staff and representatives of Northwest Pipeline Corporation, will conduct a site visit of the proposed facilities of the Grays Harbor Pipeline Project 2001 in Thurston and Grays Harbor Counties, Washington.

All interested parties may attend. Those planning to attend must provide their own transportation.

For further information, please contact the Office of External Affairs at (202) 208–1088.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP01-419-000 and CP01-421-000]

Portland General Electric Company; Notice of Application

August 3, 2001.

Take notice that on July 27, 2001, Portland General Electric Company (Portland General), 121 S.W. Salmon Street, 1 WTC-1301, Portland, Oregon 97204, filed in Docket No. CP01-419-000, an application pursuant to Section 7, Part 157, Subpart F, of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for issuance of a Blanket Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, and in Docket No. CP01-421-000, an application pursuant to Section 7, Part 284, Subpart G of the NGA for issuance of a Blanket Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity, a Request for Waiver and Extension of Time, and approval of initial rates for firm and interruptible transportation services to be rendered by Portland General and pro forma tariff provisions, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at http://www.ferc.gov using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" from the RIMS Menu and follow the instructions (call (202) 208-2222 for assistance).

Portland General requests the issuance of a blanket certificate pursuant to Subpart F of Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations to permit the construction, acquisition, and abandonment of facilities and for approval of other routine activities permitted by that subpart and the issuance of a blanket certificate pursuant to Subpart G of Part 284 of the Commission's Regulations authorizing