

permit Aquila to join the over 100 Participants already in the Pool. NEPOOL further states that the filed signature page does not change the NEPOOL Agreement in any manner, other than to make Aquila a Participant in the Pool. NEPOOL requests an effective date of October 1, 1996 for commencement of participation in the Pool by Aquila.

*Comment date:* September 30, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

13. Houston Lighting & Power Company  
[Docket No. ER96-2954-000]

Take notice that on September 10, 1996, Houston Lighting & Power Company (HL&P), tendered for filing an executed transmission service agreement (TSA) with Vitol Gas & Electric, L.L.C. for Economy Energy Transmission Service under HL&P's FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, for Transmission Service To, From and Over Certain HVDC Interconnections. HL&P has requested an effective date of September 2, 1996.

Copies of the filing were served on Vitol and the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

*Comment date:* September 30, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

14. Sierra Pacific Power Company  
[Docket No. ER96-2955-000]

Take notice that on September 10, 1996, Sierra Pacific Power Company (Sierra), tendered for filing pursuant to 205 of the Federal Power Act (the Act) and 18 CFR Part 35 *et seq.* three revisions to the General Transfer Agreement (GTA) between Sierra and Bonneville Power Administration (BPA).

Sierra states that the first revision would add a new delivery point for the transmission service rendered under the GTA. Sierra proposes the revision to be made effective immediately after the statutory notice period, *i.e.*, as of November 10, 1996.

According to Sierra, the second revision would reduce the total monthly local facilities set forth in the GTA from \$151,163 to \$133,289 to reflect actual costs of the facilities associated with the charge. Sierra requests that the revision be made effective retroactively back to October 31, 1995, the date the charge was initially made effective.

Sierra states that the third revision would reflect the updated forecast provided by BPA of BPA's monthly peak demand under the GTA. Sierra requests that the third revision be made effective immediately after the statutory

notice period, *i.e.*, as of November 10, 1996.

*Comment date:* September 30, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

15. Wisconsin Power and Light Company  
[Docket No. ER96-2956-000]

Take notice that on September 10, 1996, Wisconsin Power and Light Company (WP&L), tendered for filing an Agreement dated August 19, 1996 establishing VTEC Energy, Inc. as a point-to-point transmission customer under the terms of WP&L's Transmission Tariff.

WP&L requests an effective date of August 19, 1996 and accordingly seeks waiver of the Commission's notice requirements. A copy of this filing has been served upon the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

*Comment date:* September 30, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

16. Portland General Electric Company  
[Docket No. ER96-2959-000]

Take notice that on September 9, 1996, Portland General Electric Company (PGE), tendered for filing under PGE Rate Schedule FERC No. 192 additional information pertaining to PGE's original obligation under the Competitive Adjustment clause of the original Power Sales Agreement. As such, PGE hereby submits a Letter of Understanding between PGE and the Canby Utility Board (CUB) to the Commission noting that the sum of \$254,071 will be owned to CUB by PGE. This payment, due on or before August 1, 1997, will reflect the total competitive adjustment payment due.

PGE respectfully requests the Commission accept the information for filing effective November 7, 1996.

A copy of this filing was caused to be served upon the Canby Utility Board and the Oregon Public Utility Commission.

*Comment date:* September 30, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

17. Houston Lighting & Power Company  
[Docket No. ER96-2960-000]

Take notice that on September 9, 1996, Houston Lighting & Power Company (HL&P), tendered for filing a revised tariff to provide open-access transmission service to, from and over certain HVDC interconnections (TFO Tariff) and to supersede HL&P's current FERC Electric Tariff, First Revised Original Volume No. 1. HL&P states that the revised TFO Tariff offers point-to-

point transmission service as required by the Commission's Orders in Docket No. EL79-8, *et al.*, on terms and conditions that are also consistent with the *pro forma* tariff adopted by the Commission in Order No. 888. The TFO Tariff also offers ancillary services consistent with the services offered by HL&P for transactions also occur wholly within the Electric Reliability Council of Texas. HL&P has proposed a rate reduction for transmission service under the TFO Tariff. Because the revised tariff filing reduces the rate for service, HL&P has requested a waiver to permit the revised TFO Tariff to become effective as of September 10, 1996.

HL&P states that the tariff has been served on the parties to Docket No. EL79-8 and on the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

*Comment date:* September 30, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraph

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing 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 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. 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 proceeding. 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

*Secretary.*

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[Docket No. EL96-72-000, *et al.*]

**Pennsylvania Power Company, *et al.*;  
Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation  
Filings**

September 17, 1996.

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

1. Pennsylvania Power Company

[Docket No. EL96-72-000]

Take notice that on August 23, 1996, Pennsylvania Power Company tendered for filing a motion to compel unbundled transmission customer to make withheld payments owned pursuant to

rates placed into effect by the Commission.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. Mock Energy Services, L.P.

[Docket No. ER95-300-008]

On August 22, 1996, Mock Energy Services, L.P. filed a notice of succession changing its name from Mock Resources, Inc. to Mock Energy Services, L.P.

*Comment date:* Within 15 days after the date of publication in the Federal Register, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

3. Virginia Electric and Power Company

[Docket No. ER95-1383-002]

Take notice that on August 29, 1996, Virginia Electric and Power Company (Virginia Power) tendered for filing a revised Refund Report in the above-referenced docket.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

4. Central Power and Light Company, Public Service Company of Oklahoma, Southwestern Electric Power Company, West Texas Utilities Company

[Docket No. ER96-2342-001]

Take notice that on September 3, 1996, Central Power and Light Company, Public Service Company of Oklahoma, Southwestern Electric Power Company and West Texas Utilities Company pursuant to the Commission's August 19, 1996, letter order tendered for filing title pages renaming each of their respective Coordination Sales Tariff CST-1 as Coordination Sales and Reassignment of Transmission Rights tariff CSRT-1.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

5. Anoka Electric Cooperative

[Docket No. ER96-2387-000]

Take notice that on August 26, 1996, Anoka Electric Cooperative (Anoka) submitted for filing an amendment to its July 12, 1996, filing of an initial rate schedule. Anoka states that the purpose of the amendment is to provide justification for the rate in the Power Sales Agreement between Anoka and Elk River Municipal Utilities.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

6. Allegheny Power Service Corporation, on Behalf of Monongahela Power Company, The Potomac Edison Company, and West Penn Power Company (Allegheny Power)

[Docket No. ER96-2961-000]

Take notice that on September 11, 1996, Allegheny Power Service Corporation on behalf of Monongahela Power Company, The Potomac Edison Company and West Penn Power Company (Allegheny Power), filed Supplement No. 4 to add Heartland Energy Services to the Allegheny Power Open Access Transmission Service Tariff which has been submitted for filing by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in Docket No. OA96-18-000. The proposed effective date under the Service Agreements is August 13, 1996.

Copies of the filing have been provided to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, the Maryland Public Service Commission, the Virginia State Corporation Commission, the West Virginia Public Service Commission.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

7. Florida Power Corporation

[Docket No. ER96-2962-000]

Take notice that on September 11, 1996, Florida Power Corporation (Florida Power), tendered for filing a service agreement providing for service to Calpine Power Services Company (Calpine) pursuant to its open access transmission tariff (the T-6 Tariff). Florida Power requests that the Commission waive its notice of filing requirements and allow the agreement to become effective on September 12, 1996.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

8. Florida Power Corporation

[Docket No. ER96-2963-000]

Take notice that on September 11, 1996, Florida Power Corporation (Florida Power), tendered for filing a service agreement providing for service to South Carolina Electric & Gas Company pursuant to its open access transmission tariff (the T-4 Tariff). Florida Power requests that the Commission waive its notice of filing requirements and allow the agreement to become effective on September 12, 1996.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

9. Enserco Energy Inc.

[Docket No. ER96-2964-000]

Take notice that on September 11, 1996, Enserco Energy Inc. (Enserco), tendered for filing an application asking for blanket authorization and certain waivers of the Commission's Regulation to enable it to act as a power marketer. Enserco asks that these authorizations and waivers be made effective within 60 days of its filing.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

10. Central Power and Light Company

[Docket No. ER96-2965-000]

Take notice that on September 11, 1996, Central Power and Light Company (CPL), submitted an unexecuted Service Agreement, dated September 6, 1996, with WestPlains Energy-Colorado (WPE-Colorado) establishing WPE-Colorado as a customer under the terms of CPL's Coordination Sales Tariff CST-1 (CST-1 Tariff); and eight unexecuted Service Agreements, each dated August 1, 1996, establishing Destec Energy, Inc. (Destec), Vitol Gas & Electric L.L.C. (Vitol), Missouri Public Service (Missouri), WestPlains Energy-Kansas (WPE-Kansas), Acquila Energy Marketing (Acquila), Western Power Services, Inc. (Western), Coral Energy Resources, L.P. (Coral), and Calpine Power Services Company (Calpine) as customers under the CST-1 Tariff.

CPL requests an effective date of August 1, 1996 for the agreement with Destec, of September 6, 1996 for the agreement with WPE-Colorado and of August 12, 1996 for the agreements with the other six customers. Accordingly, CPL seeks waiver of the Commission's notice requirements. Copies of this filing were served upon WPE-Colorado, Destec, Vitol, Missouri, WPE-Kansas, Acquila, Western, Coral, Calpine and the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

11. XENERGY, Inc.

[Docket No. ER96-2966-000]

Take notice that on September 11, 1996, XENERGY, Inc. (XENERGY), tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Rate Schedule No. 1, which permits XENERGY to make wholesale power sales at market-based rates.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

## 12. Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc.

[Docket No. ER96-2967-000]

Take notice that on September 12, 1996, Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc. (Soyland), tendered for filing an initial rate schedule pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act and 18 CFR 35.12 of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission). This is one of eight initial rate filings and a petition for waiver of requirements under Orders No. 888 and 889 that Soyland made simultaneously to reflect its change in status to a Commission-regulated "public utility" from a rural electric cooperative regulated by the Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service.

The filing consists of a Power Purchase and Sale Agreement dated April 10, 1995 between Soyland and LG&E Power Marketing, Inc. (LPM), pursuant to which the parties may notify each other from time to time that amounts of capacity and/or energy are available to purchase, sale or exchange. Soyland is not currently involved in any sale or exchange under the LPM Power Purchase and Sale Agreement and will not, in the future, engage in any transactions in which it will make any such sales or exchanges.

Copies of the filing were served upon LPM, Illinois Power Company and the Illinois Commerce Commission.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

## 13. Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc.

[Docket No. ER96-2968-000]

Take notice that on September 12, 1996, Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc. (Soyland), tendered for filing an initial rate schedule pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act and 18 CFR 35.12 of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission). This is one of eight initial rate filings and a petition for waiver of requirements under Orders No. 888 and 889 that Soyland made simultaneously to reflect its change in status to a Commission-regulated "public utility" from a rural electric cooperative regulated by the Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service.

The filing consists of an Enabling Agreement dated October 10, 1995, between Soyland and Enron Power Marketing, Inc. (Enron), pursuant to which the parties may notify each other from time to time that amounts of capacity and/or energy are available for purchase, sale or exchange. The Commission authorize sales by Enron pursuant to the Enabling Agreement under Enron's Rate Schedule No. 1, in

Docket No. ER94-24. Soyland is not currently engaged in any transactions under the Energy Agreement and will not, in the future, engage in any transactions in which it would sell or exchange power or energy under this Agreement.

Copies of the filing were served upon Enron and the Illinois Commerce Commission.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

## 14. Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc.

[Docket No. ER96-2969-000]

Take notice that on September 12, 1996, Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc. (Soyland), tendered for filing an initial rate schedule pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act and 18 CFR 35.12 of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission). This is one of eight initial rate filings and a petition for waiver of requirements under Orders No. 888 and 889 that Soyland made simultaneously to reflect its change in status to a Commission-regulated "public utility" from a rural electric cooperative regulated by the Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service.

The filing consists of a Concept Agreement dated April 19, 1996 between Soyland and Southwestern Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Southwestern), pursuant to which Soyland makes available to Southwestern up to 75 MW of "Participation Power" until September 30, 1996. "Participation Power" means that Southwestern may schedule Soyland's capacity and energy available from Central Illinois Public Service Commission (CIPS), pursuant to the February 11, 1996 Power Supply and Transmission Services Agreements between Soyland and CIPS, to the extent that such capacity is available, or as otherwise agreed to by CIPS.

Copies of the filing were served upon Southwestern, CIPS, Illinois Power Company and the Illinois Commerce Commission.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

## 15. Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc.

[Docket No. ER96-2970-000]

Take notice that on September 12, 1996, Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc. (Soyland), tendered for filing an initial rate schedule pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act and 18 CFR 35.12 of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission). This is one of eight initial rate filings

and a petition for waiver of requirements under Orders No. 888 and 889 that Soyland made simultaneously to reflect the change in status to a Commission-regulated "public utility" from a rural electric cooperative regulated by the Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service.

The filing consists of a Concept Agreement dated June 14, 1996 between Soyland and Southwestern Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Southwestern), pursuant to which Soyland makes available to Southwestern up to 15 MW of "Participation Power" until September 19, 1996. "Participation Power" means that Southwestern may schedule Soyland's capacity and energy available from Central Illinois Public Service Commission (CIPS), pursuant to the February 11, 1996 Power Supply and Transmission Services Agreements between Soyland and CIPS, to the extent that such capacity is available, or as otherwise agreed to by CIPS.

Copies of the filing were served upon Southwestern, CIPS, Illinois Power Company and the Illinois Commerce Commission.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

## 16. Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc.

[Docket No. ER96-2971-000]

Take notice that on September 12, 1996, Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc. (Soyland), tendered for filing an initial rate schedule pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act and 18 CFR 35.12 of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission). This is one of eight initial rate filings and a petition for waiver of requirements under Orders No. 888 and 889 that Soyland made simultaneously to reflect its change in status to a Commission-regulated "public utility" from a rural electric cooperative regulated by the Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service.

The filing consists of a Interchange Agreement dated February 15, 1995, between Soyland and Wabash Valley Power Association, Inc. (Wabash), pursuant to which the parties may from time to time, engage in the following interchange services. Emergency Energy (Service Schedule A); Interchange Energy (Service Schedule B); Seasonal Power (Service Schedule C); Short-Term Power (Service Schedule D); Limited Term Power (Service Schedule E); Diversity Power (Service Schedule F); and Reserve Capacity and Back-up Energy (Service Schedule G). Soyland is not now engaged in any transaction under the Interchange Agreement and will not, in the future, engage in any

transactions in which it would sell or exchange power or energy.

Copies of the filing were served upon Wabash and the Illinois Commerce Commission.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### 17. Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc.

[Docket No. ER96-2972-000]

Take notice that on September 12, 1996, Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc. (Soyland), tendered for filing an initial rate schedule pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act and 18 CFR 35.12 of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission). This is one of eight initial rate filings and a petition for waiver of requirements under Orders No. 888 and 889 that Soyland made simultaneously to reflect its change in status to a Commission regulated "public utility" from a rural electric cooperative regulated by the Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service.

The filing consists of a Power Supply Agreement dated February 11, 1996 between Soyland, Western Illinois Power Cooperative, Inc. (merged into Soyland in March, 1989), and Central Illinois Public Service Company (CIPS), pursuant to which the parties may purchase power and/or energy from one another. The Commission accepted the Agreement for filing as to CIPS in Docket No. ER86-327 on April 28, 1986. Soyland is not currently engaged in, and, will not, in the future, engage in, any sales or exchanges under this Agreement.

Copies of the filing were served upon CIPS, Illinois Power Company, and the Illinois Commerce Commission.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### 18. Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc.

[Docket No. ER96-2973-000]

Take notice that on September 12, 1996, Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc. (Soyland), tendered for filing an initial rate schedule pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act and 18 CFR 35.12 of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission). This is one of eight initial rate filings and a petition for waiver of requirements under Orders No. 888 and 889 that Soyland made simultaneously to reflect its change in status to a Commission-regulated "public utility" from a rural electric cooperative regulated by the Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service.

The filing consists of a Power Coordination Agreement dated October

5, 1984 between Soyland, Western Illinois Power Cooperative, Inc. (merged into Soyland in March, 1989), and Illinois Power Company (Illinois Power) as amended on April 25, 1994, pursuant to which the parties may provide for the long-term purchase by Soyland from Illinois Power of 435 MW of capacity and energy under formula rates priced on an "as-if-owned" basis, and for transmission by Illinois Power, and for pooling. The Commission accepted the Agreement for filing as to Illinois Power in Docket No. ER85-130-000 and the amendment was accepted as to Illinois Power in Docket No. ER95-803-000.

Copies of the filing were served upon the Illinois Power Company and the Illinois Commerce Commission.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### 19. Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc.

[Docket No. ER96-2974-000]

Take notice that on September 12, 1996, Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc. (Soyland), tendered for filing initial rate schedules pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act and 18 CFR 35.12 of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission). This is the centerpiece of eight initial rate filings and a petition for waiver of requirements under Orders No. 888 and 889 that Soyland made simultaneously to reflect its change in status to a Commission-regulated "public utility" from a rural electric cooperative regulated by the Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service.

The filing consists of Wholesale Power Agreements, dated generally between 1963 and 1976, between Soyland and its twenty-one rural electric distribution cooperative members (Members), pursuant to which the parties may purchase power and/or energy from one another.

The filing is being made today in anticipation of Soyland's exit from the RUS lending program and concomitant loss of its exemption from Federal Power Act regulation pursuant to *Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District v. FPC*, 391 F.2d 470, 474 (D.C. Cir.), *cert. denied*, 393 U.S. 857 (1968). Soyland is seeking waivers of certain Commission requirements as part of this and other filings.

Copies of the filing were served upon Adams Electrical Co-operative, Clay Electric Co-operative, Inc., Clinton County Electric Cooperative, Inc., Coles-Moultrie Electric Cooperative, Corn Belt Electric Cooperative, Inc. Eastern Illini Electric Cooperative, Edgar Electric Cooperative Association, Farmers Mutual Electric Company, Illinois Rural

Electric Company, Illinois Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. MJM Electric Cooperative, Inc., McDonough Power Cooperative, Menard Electric Cooperative, Monroe County Electric Co-operative, Inc., Rural Electric Convenience Cooperative Company, Shelby Electric Cooperative, Southwestern Electric Cooperative, Inc., Spoon River Electric Co-operative, Inc., Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc. Wayne-White Counties Electric Cooperative, Western Illinois Electrical Coop. (the 21 member cooperatives) and the Illinois Commerce Commission.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### 20. West Texas Utilities Company

[Docket No. ER96-2975-000]

Take notice that on September 12, 1996, West Texas Utilities Company (WTU), submitted for filing nine unexecuted Service Agreements, each dated August 1, 1996, establishing Destec Energy, Inc. (Destec), WestPlains Energy-Colorado (WPE-Colorado), Vitol Gas & Electric L.L.C. (Vitol), Missouri Public Service (Missouri), WestPlains Energy-Kansas (WPE-Kansas), Acquila Energy Marketing (Acquila), Western Power Services, Inc. (Western), Coral Energy Resources, L.P. (Coral), and Calpine Power Services Company (Calpine) as customers under the terms of WTU's umbrella Coordination Sales Tariff CST-1 (CST-1 Tariff).

WTU requests an effective date of August 13, 1996 for the service agreements with Destec, Vitol, Missouri, WPE-Kansas, Acquila, Western, Coral, Calpine and WPE-Colorado and the revised Index. Accordingly, WTU seeks waiver of the Commission's notice requirements. Copies of this filing were served upon WPE-Colorado, Destec, Vitol, Missouri, WPE-Kansas, Acquila, Western, Coral, Calpine and the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### 21. EL Paso Energy Marketing

[Docket No. ER96-2993-000]

On September 12, 1996, EL Paso Energy Marketing filed a notice of succession changing its name from Eastex Power Marketing, Inc.

*Comment date:* October 1, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### 22. Kansas City Power & Light Company

[Docket No. ES96-45-000]

Take notice that on September 12, 1996, Kansas City Power & Light

Company filed an application, under 204 of the Federal Power Act, seeking authorization to issue short-term debt, from time to time, in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$750 million outstanding at any one time, during the period October 1, 1996 through September 30, 1998, with a final maturity date no later than September 30, 1999. This authorization would supersede the authority granted by the Commission in Docket No. ES96-22-000 (75 FERC ¶ 62,125 (1996)) to issue up to \$300 million of short-term debt during the period July 1, 1996 through June 30, 1998, with final maturities not later than June 30, 1999.

*Comment date:* October 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 23. Glacier Electric Cooperative

[Docket No. OA96-152-000]

Take notice that on August 8, 1996, Glacier Electric Cooperative, tendered for filing an application for small public utility waiver of the requirements of Parts 35 and 37.

*Comment date:* September 30, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 24. City of Dover, Delaware

[Docket No. OA96-228-000]

Take notice that on September 10, 1996, the City of Dover, Delaware tendered for filing an application for waiver from the requirements of Order No. 888 to submit a transmission open access tariff and of Order No. 889 to maintain an Open-Access Same Time Information System and comply with associated standards of conduct.

*Comment date:* October 15, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 25. Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc.

[Docket No. OA96-229-000]

Take notice that Soyland Power Cooperative, Inc. (Soyland), on September 12, 1996, tendered for filing a request for waiver of the Commission's Order No. 889 Open Access Same-Time Information System (OASIS) requirements and Standards of Conduct. The requested waivers would exempt Soyland from filing an open access transmission tariff and from developing its own OASIS and would waive the requirement that Soyland separate its wholesale merchant personnel from its transmission personnel. Soyland, a small public utility, requests these waivers because it owns no transmission facilities, because it is not a control area operator, and because full compliance with Order Nos. 888 and

889 would be unduly burdensome. Soyland also seeks waiver of the Commission's sixty-day prior notice filing requirement.

*Comment date:* October 15, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### Standard Paragraph

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing 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 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. 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 proceeding. 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.

Lois D. Cashell,  
*Secretary.*

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### [Project No. 1494-094]

### Grand River Dam Authority; Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment

September 17, 1996.

A draft environmental assessment (DEA) is available for public review. The DEA was prepared for an application filed by Grand River Dam Authority (GRDA) that requests authorization to grant a dredging permit to a private landowner (applicant) for the excavation of shoreline and lake bottom material from Grand Lake O' The Cherokees (Grand Lake) for a boat launch and channel. The applicant was granted approval by Order Approving Non-Project use of Project Lands, 68 FERC 62,094, issued July 27, 1994, to dredge an area 90 feet long, 90 feet wide, and 10 feet deep. The applicant's new proposal is to extend the excavation shoreward 310 feet, making the boat launch and channel excavation site approximately 400 feet long, 90 feet wide, and up to a maximum depth of 10 feet. Approximately 4,444 cubic yards of material from the lake bottom and shoreline will be excavated from the site. The excavation would occur on project lands in the Horse Creek area (north shore) of Grand Lake, in

Delaware County, just north of the town of Bernice, Oklahoma.

The DEA finds that GRDA's proposed amendment is not a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. The DEA was written by staff in the Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Copies of the DEA can be obtained by calling the Commission's Public Reference Room at (202) 208-1371.

Comments on the DEA must be filed with the Commission within 30 days from the date of this notice. Comments should be addressed to: Ms. Lois D. Cashell, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. Please include the project number (1494-094) on any comments filed.

Lois D. Cashell,

*Secretary.*

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### [Docket No. CP96-690-000]

### Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Mississippi River Crossing—Minnesota Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

September 17, 1996.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the construction and operation of the facilities proposed in the Mississippi River Crossing—Minnesota Project.<sup>1</sup> This EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether an environmental impact statement is necessary and whether to approve the project.

### Summary of the Proposed Project

Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern) wants to increase its pipeline system's reliability by looping a crossing of the Mississippi River in Dakota and Washington Counties, Minnesota. Northern seeks authority to construct and operate about 3.03 miles of new 30-inch-diameter pipeline. This pipeline would interconnect with Northern's existing system that is already looped on the north and south sides of the

<sup>1</sup> Northern Natural Gas Company's application was filed with the Commission under Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations.