

1996 settlement in Docket No. RP95-408, et al. and the Collection Rates are applicable to customers not wanting to be subject to the surcharge conditions associated with the Settlement Rate.

This filing comprises Columbia's annual filing pursuant to Section 36.2 of the General Terms and Conditions (GTC) of its Tariff. GTC Section 36, "Transportation Costs Rate Adjustment (TCRA)", enables Columbia to adjust its TCRA rates prospectively to reflect estimated current costs and unrecovered amounts for the deferral period. The TCRA rates consist of a current TCRA rate, reflecting an estimate of costs for a prospective 12-month period beginning April 1, 1997, and a TCRA surcharge rate which is a true-up for actual activity within the deferral period of the 12-months ended December 31, 1996.

Columbia is also revising GTC Section 36 to eliminate references to costs which are no longer applicable to the TCRA mechanism effective April 1, 1997.

The TCRA rates set forth on Appendix A, Sheet 1, attached to the filing, include projected costs, in the amount of \$16,072,586, for the Operational Account No. 858 contracts. This level of costs is based upon the rates of the applicable pipeline companies at April 1, 1997, and the respective determinants associated with these contracts.

The TCRA surcharge calculations reconcile actual activity for the deferral period, which is comprised of calendar year 1996. The TCRA Surcharge Rates set forth on Appendix B Schedule 1, attached to the filing, reflect a net under-recovery of \$1,221,822.

Columbia proposes to collect on an as-billed basis an under-recovery of \$756,992 in demand costs and \$464,830 in commodity costs applicable to its Operational Account No. 186 deferral period of January 1, 1996 through December 31, 1996.

The demand determinants reflected in the filing are those projected to be in effect at April 1, 1997. Throughput levels for Rates Schedules FTS, SST, OPT, GTS and ITS are from Columbia's Settlement filed on November 22, 1996 in Docket No. RP95-408.

Columbia states that copies of this filing have been served upon all of its firm customers, and interested State Commissions. Moreover, all interruptible customers having submitted a standing request for such filings were also served.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this 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 Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with Section 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 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 in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. TM97-2-70-000]

Columbia Gulf Transmission Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

March 5, 1997.

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, Columbia Gulf Transmission Company (Columbia Gulf) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, to become effective April 1, 1997:

1st Rev Fourteenth Revised Sheet No. 018
1st Rev Fifteenth Revised Sheet No. 019

Columbia Gulf states that this filing represents Columbia Gulf's annual filing pursuant to Section 33, "Transportation Retainage Adjustment (TRA)", of the General Terms and Conditions of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1. Columbia Gulf states that it currently has retainage factors for each of its three zones. Each factor consists of a current and an unrecovered component for company-use, lost, and unaccounted for quantities. In this filing, Columbia Gulf is adjusting the current component of each retainage factor to reflect a change in the estimate for company-use, lost, and unaccounted for quantities.

The deferral period for this filing is the twelve-month period of January 1, 1996, through December 31, 1996. Columbia Gulf states that Appendix A to the filing sets forth Columbia Gulf's actual experience during the deferral period. As reflected therein, Columbia Gulf was in a net under-recovery position as of December 31, 1996. Consequently, in this filing Columbia Gulf is implementing an unrecovered surcharge component for each of the

retainage factors to increase future quantities to be retained.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this 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 Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with Section 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 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 in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP97-256-000]

K N Wattenberg Transmission Limited Liability Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

March 5, 1997.

Take notice that on February 20, 1997, K N Wattenberg Transmission Limited Liability Company (K N Wattenberg), P.O. Box 281304, Lakewood, CO 80228, filed in Docket No. CP97-256-000, a request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.208 and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.208 and 157.211). K N Wattenberg requests authorization to install a new delivery lateral along with receipt point facilities and two delivery points in Morgan County, CO to provide transportation service for two end user shippers, under K N Wattenberg's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP92-203-000, pursuant to 18 CFR Part 157, Subpart F of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, K N Wattenberg proposes to install approximately 4 miles of 6-inch pipe, 1 mile of 4-inch pipe, interconnect facilities at the upstream end of the proposed lateral with the existing pipeline facilities of Colorado Interstate Gas Company in Morgan County, CO, and measurement and control facilities at two delivery points. K N Wattenberg states that these proposed facilities would provide

transportation service to Leprino Foods Company and Excel Corporation for use in their facilities at Fort Morgan, CO.

K N Wattenberg also states that the estimated cost of the proposed facilities is approximately \$725,000. K N Wattenberg further states that K N Energy, Inc., K N Wattenberg's parent company, would finance the project out of funds on hand or by a loan or an equity investment, or a combination of the two.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice 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 on 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP97-263-000]

Mississippi River Transmission Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

March 5, 1997.

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, Mississippi River Transmission Corporation (MRT) tendered for filing the following tariff sheets to Third Revised Volume No. 1 of its FERC Gas Tariff, with a proposed effective date of April 1, 1997:

Twenty-Third Revised Sheet No. 5
Twenty-Third Revised Sheet No. 6
Twentieth Revised Sheet No. 7

MRT states that the purpose of this filing is to remove the Gas Supply Realignment Costs (GSRC) included in MRT's GSRC Reservation Surcharges and that portion of the GSRC included in the volumetric rates charged to MRT's ITS customers. MRT collects such GSRC pursuant to Section 16.3 of the General Terms and Conditions of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, and the Base Stipulation and Agreement approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in

Docket Nos. RP93-4, RP94-68, and RP94-190.

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.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed as provided in Section 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 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 in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP96-67-005]

Mojave Pipeline Company; Notice of Report

March 5, 1997.

Take notice that on February 28, 1997, in compliance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's order issued May 17, 1996 at Docket No. RP96-67-000, Mojave Pipeline Company (Mojave) tendered for filing a Hub Services Report for the first year of Hub operations.

Mojave states that the Hub Services Report details its Hub services for the previous year provided under Rate Schedule APS-1. Mojave provided no authorized loan services under Rate Schedule ALS-1 during this period.

Mojave states that copies of the filing were served upon all parties of record in this proceeding as well as all customers of Mojave and interested state regulatory commissions.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed in accordance with Section 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 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 in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. ER97-610-000]

Murphy Oil USA; Notice of Issuance of Order

March 6, 1997.

Murphy Oil USA (Murphy Oil) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which Murphy Oil will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions as a marketer. Murphy Oil also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, Murphy Oil requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by Murphy Oil.

On February 27, 1997, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Applications, Office of Electric Power Regulation, granted requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by Murphy Oil 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).

Absent a request for hearing within this period, Murphy Oil is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, endorser, 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 the applicant, and 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 Murphy Oil's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.