

lieu of the requirement specified in section 9.3.1 of ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 103-82. After equilibrium conditions are achieved following the cool-down test and the required measurements performed, turn on the furnace and measure the flue gas temperature, using the thermocouple grid described above, at 0.5 and 2.5 minutes after the main burner(s) comes on. After the burner start-up, delay the blower start-up by 1.5 minutes (t-), unless: (1) the furnace employs a single motor to drive the power burner and the indoor air circulating blower, in which case the burner and blower shall be started together; or (2) the furnace is designed to operate using an unvarying delay time that is other than 1.5 minutes, in which case the fan control shall be permitted to start the blower; or (3) the delay time results in the activation of a temperature safety device which shuts off the burner, in which case the fan control shall be permitted to start the blower. In the latter case, if the fan control is adjustable, set it to start the blower at the highest temperature. If the fan control is permitted to start the blower, measure time delay, (t-), using a stopwatch. Record the measured temperatures. During the heat-up test for oil-fueled furnaces, maintain the draft in the flue pipe within ± 0.01 inch of water column of the manufacturer's recommended on-period draft.

(iii) With the exception of the modifications set forth above, Nordyne shall comply in all respects with the test procedures specified in Appendix N of 10 CFR Part 430, Subpart B.

(3) The Waiver shall remain in effect from the date of issuance of this Order until DOE prescribes final test procedures appropriate to the G5RD and G5RL series furnaces manufactured by Nordyne.

(4) This Waiver is based upon the presumed validity of statements, allegations, and documentary materials submitted by the petitioner. This Waiver may be revoked or modified at any time upon a determination that the factual basis underlying the Petition is incorrect.

(5) Effective March 19, 1997, this Waiver supersedes the Interim Waiver granted Nordyne on October 15, 1996. 61 FR 54783, October 22, 1996 (Case No. F-088).

Issued in Washington, DC, on March 19, 1997.

Christine A. Ervin,

Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-289-000]

Freeport Interstate Pipeline Company; Notice of Petition for Waiver

March 21, 1997.

Take notice that on March 11, 1997, Freeport Interstate Pipeline Company (Freeport) filed with the Commission a request for waiver for filing a FERC Form 2-A for the year 1996.

Freeport states that it has no throughput of any kind and performed no services of any kind for 1996 and has remained dormant since March 1994 and because Freeport had previously been exempted from the Commission's electronic-posting requirements, it would be a undue burden and hardship for Freeport to file a FERC Form 2-A for the year 1996, particularly under the Commission's new regulations for such filings.

Freeport respectfully requests that the Commission waive any requirement under 18 CFR 260.2 or otherwise for Freeport to file a FERC Form 2-A for the year 1996.

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, NE., Washington, DC 20426 in accordance with Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protest must be filed on or before March 28, 1997. 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP97-174-001]

Gulf States Transmission, Corporation; Notice of Petition for Waiver of GISB Standards and Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

March 21, 1997.

Take notice that on March 18, 1997, Gulf States Transmission Corporation (GSTC) tendered for filing a petition for waiver of certain Gas Industry Standards Board (GISB) standards, first and foremost those associated with

electronic data interchange and electronic delivery mechanism (EDI/EDM) and also capacity release. GSTC also tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, certain tariff sheets to be effective June 1, 1997.

GSTC states that the purpose of the filing is to comply with the Commission's compliance order issued March 5, 1997 in Docket No. RP97-174-000.

GSTC has modified its tariff to (i) incorporate certain Standards by reference to number and version of such Standards, (ii) insert, verbatim, language from certain other GISB Standards, (iii) change each of Mcf to Dekatherms as required by GISB Standard 1.2.2.

GSTC states that copies of the filing are being mailed to its jurisdictional customers and interested state regulatory agencies.

Any person desiring to protest this 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 protest 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. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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[Docket No. OA97-503-000]

Intermountain Rural Electric Association; Notice of Filing

March 21, 1997.

Take notice that on January 23, 1997, Intermountain Rural Electric Association tendered for filing requests for waivers and conditional notice of withdrawal of tariff.

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, 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 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before March 31, 1997. 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP96-320-009]

**Koch Gateway Pipeline Company;
Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC
Gas Tariff**

March 21, 1997.

Take notice that on March 18, 1997, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company (Koch) tendered for filing to be part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheets:

Effective February 5, 1997: Fourth Revised Sheet No. 29

Effective March 1, 1997: Fifth Revised Sheet No. 29

Koch states that this filing contains the tariff sheet which provides the additional information required by the Commission's March 7, 1997, Order Rejecting Tariff Sheet. Koch states this filing also provides the tariff sheet which removes the negotiated rate contracts effective March 1, 1997.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's 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 appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP97-292-000]

**Louisiana Nevada Transit Company;
Notice of Petition for Waiver**

March 21, 1997.

Take notice that on March 18, 1997, Louisiana Nevada Transit Company (LNT) pursuant to the March 4, 1997, Order on Compliance Filing, issued by the Commission, and in accordance with Order Nos. 587 and 587-B, tendered for filing a request for waiver of any and all standards that required the use or support of any Electronic Data Interchange ASC X12 (EDI) format, electronic delivery mechanism (EDM) to transmit EDI datasets, Internet usage, as well as any other related requirement (referred to collectively as EDI/EDM) because compliance with such standards would force LNT into bankruptcy.

LNT states that the specific standards for which LNT seeks a waiver are listed in Appendix A to the filing.

LNT states that copies of the filing have been served upon all parties required to be served.

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 NE., Washington, DC 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 on or before March 28, 1997. 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP97-238-000]

**Portland Natural Gas Transmission
System and Maritimes & Northeast
Pipeline, L.L.C.; Notice of Application**

March 21, 1997.

Take notice that on March 18, 1997, Portland Natural Gas Transmission System (PNGTS), 300 Friberg Parkway, Westborough, Massachusetts 01581-5039, and Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C. (Maritimes), 1284 Soldiers Field Road, Boston,

Massachusetts 02135, (together as joint applicants), completed the filing of a joint application in Docket No. CP97-238-000 for a certificate of public convenience and necessity, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, to construct and operate jointly-owned pipeline facilities for the transportation of natural gas, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

The completion of the joint application, originally filed February 10, 1997, was preceded by two public conferences at the Commission and four letters from the Office of Pipeline Regulation (OPR) requesting the information required to complete the filing. The joint applicants request that the Commission issue a preliminary determination on non-environmental issues by May 31, 1997, and a certificate by August 31, 1997.

Specifically, joint applicants seek authorization to construct about:

- 99.8 miles of 30-inch pipeline and appurtenant facilities from Dracut, Massachusetts to Westbrook, Maine;
- a 3.8 mile, 12-inch lateral at Westbrook, Maine (Westbrook Lateral);
- a 1.36 mile, 16-inch lateral near Newington, New Hampshire (Newington Lateral);
- a 0.6 mile, 20-inch interconnecting line at Haverhill, Massachusetts (Haverhill Lateral);
- eight meter and regulation stations, and other appurtenant facilities

The estimated cost of the joint pipeline proposal is \$172.4 million.

PNGTS will be responsible for the engineering, design, and construction management of the jointly-owned pipeline, and Maritimes will be designated as the operator, including field operations and gas dispatching. The cost and ownership of the joint pipeline facilities will be based upon the ratio of each owner's allocated capacity. The total capacity of the joint pipeline is 631,860 Mcf per day, with 421,860 Mcf per day allocated to Maritimes and 210,000 Mcf per day allocated to PNGTS. The proposed laterals off the joint pipeline will be part of the jointly-owned facilities and will be sized according to each owner's requirements. The cost allocation of the laterals will be based on the ratio of each owner's capacity through the lateral. The cost and ownership ratios are in the following table.