

System (PGS), under FGT's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-553-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

FGT proposes to abandon by sale to PGS the following facilities: (1) 1.7 miles of the 6-inch Miami Lateral from the outlet of M&R Station-POI No. 16119 to the terminus, (2) 6.1 miles of 4-inch Green Cove Springs Lateral and meter station site starting from the connection on the Jacksonville Lateral to the terminus of the Lateral, (3) the Sarasota PGS Lateral that consists of 5.7 miles of the 8-inch Sarasota lateral downstream or South of FGT's Lateral Line Valve 25-6 through and including LLV25-7 at the terminus of the 8-inch lateral, and the 633 feet of 3-inch lateral line from the 8-inch Sarasota Lateral at MP 90.3 to the Sarasota M&R Station, and (4) the Sarasota M&R Station, (with the exception of the EFM equipment that will be removed and placed in FGT's inventory for future use).

FGT states that the abandonment will not result in any disruption or disadvantage any of FGT's customers.

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 § 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 therefore, 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 If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of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.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-290-003]

Colorado Interstate Gas Company; Notice of Tariff Compliance Filing

October 14, 1997.

Take notice that on October 8, 1997, Colorado Interstate Gas Company (CIG),

tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, Sub Second Revised Sheet No. 132A.07, Original Sheet No. 132A.07a and Sub Second Revised Sheet No. 132A.08 to be effective April 14, 1997.

CIG states the tariff sheets are filed in compliance with the order issued September 25, 1997 in Docket No. RP97-290-002 to correct pagination errors and a footnote reference. CIG states that it has made no change to the text of the tariff sheets.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with § 385.211 of the Commission's Regulations. All such protests must be filed as provided in § 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project Nos. 2375, ME and 8277, ME]

International Paper Company, Otis Hydroelectric Company; Notice of Applications Tendered for Filing; Notice of Applications and Applicant Prepared EA Accepted for Filing; Notice Requesting Interventions and Protests; Notice Establishing Procedural Schedule and Final Amendment Deadline; and Notice Requesting Comments, Final Terms and Conditions, Recommendations and Prescriptions

October 14, 1997.

International Paper Company and Otis Hydroelectric Company have filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) an Applicant Prepared Environmental Assessment (APEA) and License Applications for the Riley-Jay-Livermore Project No. 2375 and the Otis Project No. 8277 located on the Androscoggin River, Maine.

The proposed Riley-Jay-Livermore Project consists of three separate developments. The existing facilities at the Riley Project include: (1) A 19.2 ft-

high by 757 ft-long L-shaped dam constructed of rock-filled timber cribbing; (2) two contiguous spillway sections topped with 48 inch-high flash boards; (3) a 7.3 mile-long impoundment with a surface area of 578 acres; (4) a triangular shaped forebay; (5) a powerhouse intake containing six timber gates; (6) a powerhouse containing six identical 1.3 megawatt (MW) generating units with a total rated hydraulic capacity of 5,556 cfs; and (7) a substation connected to a one-mile long, 13.8 kilovolt (kV) transmission line.

The existing facilities at the Jay Project include: (1) An 893 foot-long dam comprised of three non-contiguous sections, two with 32-inch high flashboards; (2) a 150-foot-long by 37 foot wide powerhouse intake containing six timber gates; (3) six identical horizontal shaft turbines with maximum and minimum hydraulic capacities of 550 cubic feet per second (cfs) and 200 cfs, respectively, for a total rated hydraulic capacity of 3,300 cfs; (4) a 1.5 mile-long impoundment with a surface area of 206 acres; (5) a 320 foot-long forebay; (6) a powerhouse containing six generators with a total installed capacity of 3,125 kilowatts (kW); and (7) a substation connected to a 6,000 foot-long, 13.8 kV transmission line.

The existing facilities at the Livermore Project include: (1) An 849 foot-long concrete gravity dam; (2) a 25-foot-long forebay intake structure with 10 steel gates; (3) a 0.75 mile-long impoundment with 46 acres surface area; (4) a powerhouse intake structure containing eight timber gates; (5) a powerhouse containing eight identical turbines with maximum and minimum hydraulic capacities of 432 cfs and 100 cfs, respectively, for a total rated hydraulic capacity of 3,456 cfs; (6) eight generators with an installed capacity of 8,165 kW; and (7) a sub station connected to a 3.2 mile-long, 13.8 kV transmission line.

International Paper proposes the following new facilities at the Livermore Project: (1) Refurbishing three existing generating units; (2) removing two existing generating units from operation; (3) installing two new 4.12 MW horizontal Kaplan units which would discharge into the existing tailrace; (4) installing a 1.32 MW vertical Kaplan unit discharging into the lower portion of the bypass reach; and (5) upgrading 0.8 mile of transmission line between Livermore and Otis Projects to a 13.8 kV overhead line. The proposed Livermore project would have a total of 6 generating units. Total hydraulic capacity would increase from 3,456 cfs to 5,400 cfs. Installed capacity at

Livermore would increase from 7.8 MW to 12.26 MW.

The Otis Project consists of one development. The existing facilities at the Otis Project include: (1) A 577 foot-long concrete gravity dam in two sections, one with 2 foot-high flash boards, and the second with 2.21 foot-high flashboards; (2) an 80-foot-long forebay intake structures with 2 headgates; (3) a 2.5 mile-long impoundment with 115 acres surface area; (4) a powerhouse containing two identical 5,175 kW generating units with a total hydraulic capacities of 6,000 cfs; and (5) a substation connected to a 3.0 mile-long 13.8 kV transmission line.

Purpose of Notice

The purpose of this notice is to: (1) Inform all interested parties that an APEA and final license applications for the Riley-Jay-Livermore Project and Otis Project have been filed with the Commission on September 25, 1997, and are available for the public inspection; (2) inform all parties that the applications and APEA are hereby accepted; (3) invite interventions and protests; (4) solicit comments, final recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions on the final license applications and APEA; and (5) identify an approximate schedule and procedures that will be followed in processing the applications and APEA.

International Paper Company and Otis Hydroelectric Company have used a Collaborative Team approach to prepare the APEA for the Riley-Jay Livermore and Otis Hydroelectric Projects. The Collaborative Team consists of federal, state, and local agencies, non-governmental organizations, and the public. The Collaborative Team has been meeting since September 1994 to guide the study process and prepare the APEA. The Collaborative Team has reached agreement as to the preferred alternative for relicensing these projects. This agreement is reflected in the APEA as the preferred alternative.

Applicant Prepared EA Process and Processing Schedule

The Energy Policy Act of 1992 (EP Act) gives the Commission the authority to allow the filing of an APEA with a license application. The EP Act also directs the Commission to institute procedures, including pre-application consultations, to advise applicants of studies or other information foreseeable required by the Commission.

On April 27, 1995, the Director, Office of Hydropower Licensing, waived or amended certain of the Commission's regulations to allow for coordinated

processing of the license applications and the APEA. Since then, the Commission has been working cooperatively in advising the Collaborative Team of studies or other information foreseeable required by the Commission.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) scoping was conducted on the projects through scoping documents issued December 8, 1994, and May 12, 1995, and in public scoping meetings on January 10, 1995. Draft license applications and preliminary DEA (PDEA) were issued by the Collaborative Team for comment on March 28, 1997. The final license applications and APEA were filed with the Commission on October 25, 1997. The APEA includes responses to all comments received on the PDEA.

Commission staff have reviewed the APEA and license applications and have determined that the applications are acceptable and no additional information or studies are needed to prepare the Commission's draft EA. The deadline for applicants filing any final amendments to the application is 45 days from the date of this notice. Comments, as indicated below, are now being requested from interested parties. Any comments received will be addressed in the draft EA issued by Commission by late December 1997, or early 1998. There will be a 30-day comment period on the draft EA. A final EA is scheduled for March 30, 1998, or earlier.

Interventions and Protests

All such filings must: (1) Bear in all capital letters the title "MOTION TO INTERVENE", (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protecting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All motions to intervene must be received 60 days from the date of this notice. A copy of any motion to intervene or protest must be served on each applicant.

Comments, Final Terms and Conditions, Recommendations and Prescriptions

Interested parties have 60 days from the date of this notice to file with the Commission, any final comments, final recommendations, terms and conditions and prescriptions for the Riley-Jay-Livermore and Otis Hydroelectric Projects. The applicants will have 45 days to respond. In view of the high level of early involvement of the

Collaborative Team, we expect the majority of comments to reflect the agreement and preferred alternative in the DEA.

Copies of the Applications and APEA

A copy of the DEA and final license applications are available for review by contacting Steve W. Groves, International Paper Company, Androscoggin Mill, Riley Road, Jay, Maine 04239, or phone 207-897-1389. Copies of these documents are also available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room.

Filing Requirements

The above documents *must* be filed by providing an original and 8 copies as required by the Commission's regulations to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426.

In addition to the above copies, comments or interventions may also be submitted on a 3½-inch diskette formatted for MS-DOS based computers to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE, Washington, DC 20426. For Macintosh users, it would be helpful to save the documents in Macintosh word processor format and then write them to files on a diskette formatted for MS-DOS machines.

Questions regarding this notice may be directed to Commission staff Monte J. TerHaar at 202-219-2768.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP97-446-001]

Nautilus Pipeline Company, LLC; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

October 14, 1997.

Take notice that on October 9, 1997, Nautilus Pipeline Company, LLC (Nautilus) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, the Tariff sheets set forth on Appendix B to the filing in compliance with the Commission's Order Nos. 587, 587-B and 587-C to become effective November 1, 1997.

On July 17, 1996, the Commission issued order No. 587 which revised the Commission's regulations governing interstate natural gas pipelines to follow standardized business practices issued