DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Energy Information Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Energy Information Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Agency information collection activities: Proposed collection; comment

SUMMARY: The Energy Information Administration (EIA) is soliciting comments on the proposed three-year clearance with no changes to the forms EIA-800-804, 807, 810-814, 816, 817, 819M, and 820 of the EIA's Petroleum Supply Reporting System.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before May 8, 2000. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Ms. Stefanie Palumbo, Energy Information Administration, EI-42, Forrestal Building, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, D.C. 20585 or by phone at (202) 586–6866, by e-mail stefanie.palumbo@eia.doe.gov, or by FAX (202) 586-5846.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the forms and instructions should be directed to Stefanie Palumbo at the address listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background II. Current Actions III. Request for Comments

I. Background

The Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974 (Pub. L. No. 93-275, 15 U.S.C. 761 et seq.) and the Department of Energy Organization Act (Pub. L. No. 95-91, 42 U.S.C. 7101 et seq.) require the Energy Information Administration (EIA) to carry out a centralized, comprehensive, and unified energy information program. This program collects, evaluates, assembles, analyzes, and disseminates information on energy resource reserves, production, demand, technology, and related economic and statistical information. This information is used to assess the adequacy of energy resources to meet near and longer term domestic demands.

The EIA, as part of its effort to comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), provides the general public and other Federal agencies with

opportunities to comment on collections of energy information conducted by or in conjunction with the EIA. Any comments received help the EIA to prepare data requests that maximize the utility of the information collected, and to assess the impact of collection requirements on the public. Also, the EIA will later seek approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) of the collections under Section 3507(h) of the Paperwork Reduction Act

The Petroleum Supply Reporting System collects data necessary for determining the supply and disposition of crude oil, finished petroleum products, and natural gas liquids. These data are published by the Energy Information Administration in the Weekly Petroleum Status Report, Petroleum Supply Monthly, and the Petroleum Supply Annual. Respondents to the surveys are producers of oxygenates, operators of petroleum refining facilities, blending plants, bulk terminals, crude oil and product pipelines, natural gas plant facilities, tanker and barge operators, and oil importers.

II. Current Actions

The Energy Information Administration requests a three-year extension with no changes to the existing Petroleum Supply Reporting System survey collection forms.

III. Request for Comments

Prospective respondents and other interested parties should comment on the actions discussed in item II. The following guidelines are provided to assist in the preparation of comments. Please indicate to which form(s) your comments apply.

General Issues

A. Is the proposed collection of information necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency and does the information have practical utility? Practical utility is defined as the actual usefulness of information to or for an agency, taking into account its accuracy, adequacy, reliability, timeliness, and the agency's ability to process the information it collects.

B. What enhancements can be made to the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?

As a Potential Respondent

A. Are the instructions and definitions clear and sufficient? If not, which instructions need clarification?

B. Can the information be submitted by the due date?

C. Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated to average as follows. The EIA allows for respondents to report manually or by using the PC Electronic Data Reporting Option (PEDRO) for all forms excluding the EIA-807, EIA-819M, and the EIA-820. EIA believes that reporting by using PEDRO takes less time than manual reporting. Estimated public reporting burden for the collections that utilize:

PEDRO Submission:

- -EIA-800, 1 hour
- -EIA-801, 30 minutes
- -EIA-802, 30 minutes
- -EIA-803, 15 minutes
- -EIA-804, 1 hour
- -EIA-810, 2 hours
- —EIA-811, 1 hour
- -EIA-812, 1 hour 30 minutes
- -EIA-813, 45 minutes
- —EIA-814, 1 hour 15 minutes —EIA-816, 30 minutes
- -EIA-817, 1 hour.

The public reporting burden for the average report prepared:

Manual Submission

- -EIA-800, 1 hour 15 minutes
- -EIA-801, 45 minutes
- -EIA-802, 45 minutes
- -EIA-803, 30 minutes
- -EIA-804, 1 hour 15 minutes
- —EIA–807, 1 hour for weekly reports from October through March, and 30 minutes for monthly reports from April through September
- —EIA-810, 3 hours 45 minutes
- -EIA-811, 1 hour 45 minutes -EIA-812, 2 hours 15 minutes
- —EIA-813, 1 hour 30 minutes
- —EIA-814, 2 hours
- -EIA-816, 45 minutes
- -EIA-817, 1 hour 45 minutes
- -EIA-819M, 30 minutes
- —EIA–820, 2 hours.

The estimated burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, disclose and provide the information. Please comment on the accuracy of the estimate.

D. The agency estimates that the only costs to the respondents are for the time it will take them to complete the collection. Please comment if respondents will incur start-up costs for reporting, or any recurring annual costs for operation, maintenance, and purchase of services associated with the information collection.

E. What additional actions could be taken to minimize the burden of this collection of information? Such actions may involve the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

F. Does any other Federal, State, or local agency collect similar information? If so, specify the agency, the data element(s), and the methods of collection.

As a Potential User

A. Is the information useful at the levels of detail indicated on the form?

B. For what purpose(s) would the information be used? Be specific.

C. Are there alternate sources for the information and are they useful? If so, what are their weaknesses and/or strengths?

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of the form. They also will become a matter of public record.

Statutory Authority: Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-191-000]

ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

March 3, 2000.

Take notice that on February 29, 2000, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) tendered for filing, as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets proposed to become effective March 1, 2000:

Forty-first Revised Sheet No. 8 Forty-first Revised Sheet No. 9 Fortieth Revised Sheet No. 13 Forty-ninth Revised Sheet No. 18

ANR states that the above-referenced tariff sheets are being filed to implement recovery of approximately \$2.6 million of above-market costs that are associated with its obligations to Dakota Gasification Company (Dakota).

ANR proposes a reservation surcharge applicable to its Part 284 firm transportation customers to collect ninety percent (90%) of the Dakota costs, and an adjustment to the maximum base tariff rates of Rate Schedule ITS and overrun rates applicable to Rate Schedule FTS–2, so as to recover the remaining ten percent (10%) ANR also advises that the

proposed changes would increase current quarterly Above-Market Dakota Cost recoveries from \$1,796.681 to \$2,586,210.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with sections 385.214 or 385.211 or 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 proceedings. 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. This filing may be viewed on the web at http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/ rims.htm (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP00-192-000]

MARCH 3, 2000: Take notice that on February 29, 2000, ANR Pipeline Company (ANR) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheet, proposed to become effective March 1, 2000.

Fiftieth Revised Sheet No. 18

ANR states that the above-referenced tariff sheet is being filed to implement the annual reconciliation of the recovery of its Above-Market Dakota Costs, as required by its tariff recovery mechanism. ANR advises that the filing proposes a reservation surcharge adjustment of \$0.003 applicable to its currently effective, firm service Rate Schedules. This surcharge is proposed to recover from ANR's customers, over the twelve month period of March 1, 2000 to February 28, 2001, the \$218,425 of Above-Market Dakota Cost undercollections, inclusive of interest, which are reflected in the filing.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 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 proceedings. 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. This filing may be viewed on the web at http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/ rims.htm (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

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Colorado Interstate Gas Company; Notice of Tariff Filing

March 3, 2000.

Take notice that, on February 29, 2000, Colorado Interstate Gas Company (CIG) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, Sixteenth Revised Sheet No. 11A, with an effective date of April 1, 2000.

CIG states that the tariff is being filed to reflect a decrease in its fuel reimbursement percentage for Lost, Unaccounted-For and Other Fuel Gas from 1.31% to 1.01% effective April 1, 2000.

CIG states that copies of this filing have been served on CIG's jurisdictional customers and public bodies.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 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. Protest will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be