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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PR99-257-006]

Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc.; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

April 12, 2000.

Take notice that on April 6, 2000, Williams Gas Pipelines Central Inc. (Williams) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets to become effective November 1, 1999.

Substitute Second Revised Sheet No. 267.
Sheet No. 268

On December 30, 1999, Williams filed revised tariff sheets and a Reconciliation and Refund report in the above-referenced dockets related to the settlement of all Gas Supply Realignment (GSR) cost issues. That filing is pending before the Commission. In that filing, Williams inadvertently deleted sections 14.4 and 14.5 of the General Terms and Conditions of its tariff. Those sections dealt with Stranded Investment and Exit Fees, respectively, and did not relate to GSR costs in any way. The instant filing proposes to reinstate these sections as sections 14.3 and 14.4 to be consistent with the numbering of preceding sections in Article 14. Williams is not proposing any changes in the language of these sections.

Williams states that copies of the revised tariff sheets are being mailed to all parties on the Commission's official service list as well as to William's jurisdictional customers and interested state commissions.

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 § 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. 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/>

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER00-2082-000]

Wisconsin Electric Power Company; Notice of Filing

April 10, 2000.

Take notice that on April 3, 2000, Wisconsin Electric Power Company (Wisconsin Electric) tendered for filing a short-term firm Transmission Service Agreement and a non-firm Transmission Service Agreement between itself and The Detroit Edison Company (DTE). The Transmission Service Agreements allow DTE to receive transmission services under Wisconsin Energy Corporation Operating Companies' FERC Electric Tariff, Volume No. 1.

Copies of the filing have been served on DTE, the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin and the Michigan Public Service Commission.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.W., 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). All such motions and protests should be filed on or before April 24, 2000. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine 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. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 7918-003]

Robert R. Conner; Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment

April 12, 2000.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission's) regulations, the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the application dated August 6, 1999, requesting the Commission's authorization to surrender the exemption from licensing for the existing Walker Mill Hydroelectric Project, located on the West Prong of the Little Pigeon River in Sevier County, Tennessee, and has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (Draft EA) for the proposed and alternative actions.

Copies of the Draft EA can be viewed at the Commission's Public Reference Room, Room 2A 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. The document also may be viewed on the Web at www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm. Call (202) 208-2222 for assistance.

Any comments on the Draft EA should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice and should be addressed to Dave Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. Please affix "Walker Mill Surrender of Exemption from Licensing, Project No. 7918-003" to the first page of your comments.

For further information, please contact Jim Haimes, staff environmental protection specialist, at (202) 219-2780 or at his E-mail address, james.haimes@ferc.fed.us.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2722-008; Utah]

PacificCorp Power Company; Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Assessment

April 12, 2000.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and

the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the application for a new license for the Pioneer Hydroelectric Project, and has prepared a Final Environmental Assessment (FEA). The project is located on the Ogden River near the City of Ogden, Weber County, Utah. The water to operate the project comes from the Pineview dam, via the Ogden Canyon Conduit. The dam is owned and operated by the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR). However, a portion of the 5.5-mile-long flowline is located within the Cache National Forest, administered by the U.S. Forest Service (FS).

On February 17, 2000, the Commission staff issued a draft environmental assessment (DEA) for the project and requested that comments be filed with the Commission within 30 days. Comments on the DEA were filed by the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service and PacifiCorp and are addressed in the FEA.

The FEA contains the staff's analysis of the potential environmental impacts of the project and concludes that licensing the project, with appropriate environmental protective measures, would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

Copies of the FEA are available for review in the Public Reference Room, Room 2A, of the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

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Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Availability of Draft License Application and Preliminary Draft Environmental Assessment

April 12, 2000.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and is available for public inspection:

- a. *Type of Application:* Major New License.
- b. *Project No.:* P-271.
- c. *Date filed:* April 4, 2000.
- d. *Applicant:* Entergy Arkansas, Inc.

e. *Name of Project:* Carpenter-Rommel Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* Located on the Ouachita River in Garland and Hot Spring Counties, Arkansas, and immediately downstream from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Blakely Mountain Dam. The Carpenter-Rommel Hydroelectric Project includes the Carpenter development at river mile 461 and the Remmel development at river mile 450.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.A. §§ 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. W. Henry Jones, Entergy Hydro Operations, P.O. Box 218, Jones Mills, AR 72105, (501) 844-2148 or email:

wjones7@Entergy.com.

Mr. Gary Liimatainen, Kleinschmidt Associates, 75 Main Street, P.O. Box 576, Pittsfield, ME 04967, (207) 487-3328 or e-mail: Gary@Kassociates.com.

i. *FERC Contact:* Ed Lee at (202) 219-2809 or E-mail address at Ed.Lee.ferc.fed.us.

j. *Status of Project:* With this notice the Commission is soliciting (1) Preliminary terms, conditions, and recommendations on the Preliminary Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA), and (2) comments on the Draft License Application. Entergy Arkansas, Inc. is not claiming preference under Section 7(a) of the Federal Power Act § 16.

k. *Comment Date:* July 17, 2000.

All comments on the Preliminary DEA and Draft License Application should be sent to the addresses noted above in Item (h), with one copy filed with FERC at the following address: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

All comments must include the project name and number and bear the heading "Preliminary Comments", "Preliminary Recommendations", "Preliminary Terms and Conditions", or "Preliminary Prescriptions".

l. *Available Locations of Application:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, located at 888 First Street, N.W., Room 2-A, Washington, D.C. 20426, or by calling (202) 219-1271. A copy of the application may also be viewed or printed by accessing the Commission's website on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> or call (202) 208-2222 for assistance.

Entergy Arkansas, Inc. has mailed a copy of the Preliminary DEA and Draft License Application to interested entities and parties. Copies of these documents are available for review at Entergy's Public Information File, the Garland and Hot Spring County Public

Libraries in Arkansas, or by calling (501) 844-2148 or by e-mailing wjones7@Entergy.com.

m. *With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the Arkansas State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by § 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR 800.4.*

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Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Western Area Power Administration

Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Big Sandy Project, Arizona

AGENCY: Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of Intent

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 102(2) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4332, Western Area Power Administration (Western), and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Kingman Field Office, intend to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) regarding the proposal by Caithness Big Sandy, LLC (Caithness), an energy development and operating company, to construct a 720 megawatt (MW) electric generating facility, including a 16-inch, high-pressure natural gas supply pipeline, permanent access road, and water supply wells and pipeline system. Caithness proposes to interconnect the generating facility with the existing Mead-Phoenix Project 500-kilovolt (kV) Transmission Line near Wikieup, Arizona. The generating facility would be constructed on private land in Mohave County, Arizona. The natural gas supply pipeline and access road would be constructed on private and public lands. The Federal public lands are administered by the U.S. Department of the Interior, BLM. Per 40 CFR part 1501.5(b), Western and BLM will serve as joint lead agencies to prepare the EIS.

This notice announces Western's and BLM's intention to prepare an EIS and hold a public scoping meeting for the proposed project. The scoping process will include notifying the general public and Federal, State, local, and tribal agencies of the proposed action. The purpose of scoping is to identify public and agency issues, and alternatives to be considered in the EIS.