10,740 (ISO) horsepower with three gas turbine engines comprising 15,900 (ISO) horsepower.

El Paso contends that the Bondad Expansion Project has been designed to permit El Paso to transport 116,500 Mcf per day of additional quantities of gas from receipt points along the Ignacio Lines to an existing point near the existing Blanco plant located in San Juan County, New Mexico.

El Paso estimates the cost of constructing the Bondad Expansion Project to be $3.6 million. El Paso proposes to place the proposed facilities in service by October 1, 1998.

It is stated that based on the cost of the proposed compression facilities, El Paso has calculated a separate incremental rate attributable to the cost of service for the proposed Bondad Expansion Project. It is stated that the incremental reservation rate for the proposed project, which is referred to as the Bondad Facilities Reservation Charge, is $0.67734 per dth, on a monthly basis. El Paso proposes the calculated incremental rate (the recourse rate) as the tariff rate applicable to firm transportation service on the Bondad Expansion Project.

In addition, it is stated that El Paso has calculated a separate incremental fuel charge, referred to as the Bondad Facilities Fuel Charge, in which shippers receiving firm service on the Bondad Expansion Project will be assessed a proposed incremental fuel charge of 0.75 percent of quantities of gas transported.

El Paso states that in support of the Bondad Expansion Project, it has entered into final, firm Transportation Service Agreements (TSAs) with Enron Capital & Trade Resources Corp., Elm Ridge Resources, Inc. and Conoco, Inc., for the transportation of an additional 116,500 mcf per day of gas from any point of receipt on the Bondad System, including the Ignacio Receipt Point, to the Blanco Delivery Pont.

El Paso states that the executed firm TSAs applicable at the Bondad Expansion Project are subject to the provisions of Rate Schedule FT–1 contained in El Paso's Volume No. 1–A, FERC Gas Tariff; however, pursuant to Section 4.5 of the Tariff, the executed TSAs each contain a separate negotiated rate, rather than the proposed tariff rate, applicable to the Bondad Expansion Project. El Paso further states that the rate negotiated with each of the three shippers on the Project is a Total Daily One-Part Rate per dth.

Any person desiring to participate in the hearing process or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before January 14, 1998, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that protestors provide copies of their protests or the party or parties directly involved. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

A person obtaining intervene status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by every one of the intervenors. An intervenor can file for rehearing of any Commission order and can petition for court review of any such order. However, an intervenor must submit copies of comments or any other filing it makes with the Commission to every other intervenor in the proceeding, as well as 14 copies with the Commission.

A person does not have to intervene, however, in order to have comments considered. A person, instead, may submit two copies of comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of environmental documents and will be able to participate in meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission and will not have the right to seek rehearing or appeal the Commission's final order to a federal court.

The Commission will consider all comments and concerns equally, whether filed by commenters or those requesting intervenor status.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this application if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for El Paso to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP90–1512–001]

Mountain Fuel Supply Company; Notice of Petition To Amend

December 24, 1997.

Take notice that on December 19, 1997, Mountain Fuel Supply Company (Mountain Fuel), 180 East First South Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84145, filed in Docket No. CP90–1512–001 a petition pursuant to Section 7(f) of the Natural Gas Act to amend its certificate issued in Docket No. CP90–1512, authorizing a service area determination, all as more fully set forth in the petition on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Mountain Fuel proposes to modify its service area by adding Box Elder, Weber Davis, Salt Lake, Tooele and Utah Counties, all located in Utah, and the remainder of Cache County, Utah, that is not part of Mountain Fuel's existing service area. It is stated that the service area presently consists of Franklin County, Idaho, and most of Cache County, Utah. It is explained that the additional counties are located along the Wasatch Front of northern Utah and incorporate the Sunset, Porter's Lane (Centerville), Little Mountain and Payson gate-station interconnects with Questar Pipeline Company (Questar), an interstate pipeline company, and the Hunter Park interconnect with Kern River Gas Transmission Company, an interstate pipeline company.

Mountain Fuel asserts that the additions to the service area are required to improve its operating flexibility for meeting customer requirements in its northern Utah and

southern Idaho distribution area. It is stated that Mountain Fuel has recently experienced operational problems because of declines in the Btu content of gas received from Questar at its Hyrum Gate Station, which has been the only source of gas serving customers in the existing service area. It is explained that Mountain Fuel requires additional supply sources for gas with higher Btu content to provide reliable service to its customers.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said petition to amend should on or before January 5, 1998, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the Protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP98–144–000]

Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

December 24, 1997.

Take notice that on December 18, 1997, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (Natural), 701 East 22nd Street, Lombard, Illinois 60148, filed in Docket No. CP98–144–000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212(a) of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.212(a)) seeking NGA Section 7(c) certification to retain and operate an existing 3-inch tap and dual 2-inch meter originally authorized under NGPA Section 311 to deliver gas to Land O'Lakes, Inc. in Beaver County, Oklahoma, under the blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82–402–000, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Natural states that it seeks NGA certification in order that it may be used to provide Part 284 Subpart G transportation. Natural's proposed quantities to be delivered at the existing point of delivery are 1,300 MMBtu/day. Natural states that the end use of gas is for Land O'Lakes, Inc. Natural states that it can provide the quantities of natural gas without detriment or disadvantage to its peak day and annual delivery capacity. Natural notes that the total volume of gas to be delivered after the facilities are certificated will not exceed the total volume originally capable of being delivered. Natural states that the facilities were placed in-service on November 2, 1997. Natural contends that it is currently providing interruptible transportation service by means of the subject facilities under Rate Schedule ITS.

Natural asserts that it obtained the appropriate environmental clearances from the Oklahoma Historical Society, the United States Department of Interior Fish and Wildlife Service, the Oklahoma Archaeological Survey, and the Department of the Army Corps of Engineers for its proposed construction.

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 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. EC98–21–000, et al.]

Alabama Power Company, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

December 23, 1997.

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

1. Alabama Power Company

[Docket No. EC98–21–000]

Take notice that on December 4, 1997, Alabama Power Company (Alabama Power), filed an application, pursuant to Section 203 of the Federal Power Act, for approval of the sale of a 44kV transmission substation to the City of Hartford, Alabama (City). The facilities are located in the City of Hartford, Geneva County, Alabama. The total purchase price of the facilities to be sold and conveyed is $221,668.00.

Comment date: January 20, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. GPU Power, Inc.

[Docket No. EG98–20–000]

Take notice that on December 12, 1997, GPU Power, Inc. (GPU Power or Applicant), of One Upper Pond Road, Parsippany, New Jersey 07054, filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an application for determination of exempt wholesale generator status pursuant to Part 365 of the Commission's Regulations.

Applicant states that, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, GPU Power Ireland, Inc., it intends to develop a base load peat-fired power plant to be located in East Midlands, Ireland (the Facility). Applicant further states that all electricity produced by the Facility will be sold at wholesale to Electricity Supply Board, a statutory corporation with principal offices at 27 Lower Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin 2, Ireland.

Comment date: January 16, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice. The Commission will limit its consideration of comments to those that concern the adequacy or accuracy of the application.

3. Zhejiang Yong-Ke Thermal Power Corporation, Ltd.

[Docket No. EG98–21–000]

On December 15, 1997, Zhejiang Yong-Ke Thermal Power Corporation Ltd. (ZY), by EDC Shaoxing Power Ltd., c/o Enserch Development Corp., 1817 Wood Street, Dallas TX 75201, filed