

urged to contact the above named individual one or two working days prior to the meeting to be advised of any potential changes to the agenda, etc., that may have occurred.

Dated: April 27, 1999.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 35-27010]

Filings Under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as Amended ("Act")

April 23, 1999.

Notice is hereby given that the following filing(s) has/have been made with the Commission pursuant to provisions of the Act and rules promulgated under the Act. All interested persons are referred to the application(s) and/or declaration(s) for complete statements of the proposed transaction(s) summarized below. The application(s) and/or declaration(s) and any amendments is/are available for public inspection through the Commission's Office of Public Reference.

Interested persons wishing to comment or request a hearing on the application(s) and/or declaration(s) should submit their views in writing by May 18, 1999, to the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C. 20549-0609, and serve a copy on the relevant applicant(s) and/or declarant(s) at the address(es) specified below. Proof of service (by affidavit or, in case of an attorney at law, by certificate) should be filed with the request. Any request for hearing should identify specifically the issues of fact or law that are disputed. A person who so requests will be notified of any hearing, if ordered, and will receive a copy of any notice or order issued in the matter. After May 18, 1999, the application(s) and/or declaration(s), as filed or as amended, may be granted and/or permitted to become effective.

Columbia Energy Group, et al. (70-9127)

Columbia Energy Group ("Columbia"), 13880 Dulles Corner Lane, Herndon, Virginia 20171-4600, a registered holding company, and its nonutility subsidiary companies, Columbia Energy Group Service Corporation, Columbia LNG

Corporation, CLNG Corporation, Columbia Atlantic Trading Corporation, Columbia Energy Services Corporation, Columbia Energy Power Marketing Corporation, Columbia Energy Marketing Corporation, Energy.Com Corporation, Columbia Service Partners, Inc., Columbia Assurance Agency, Inc., Columbia Energy Group Capital Corporation, Columbia Deep Water Services Corporation, Columbia Electric Corporation, Columbia Electric Pedrick Limited Corporation, Columbia Electric Pedrick General Corporation, Columbia Electric Binghamton Limited Corporation, Columbia Electric Binghamton General Corporation, Columbia Electric Vineland Limited Corporation, Columbia Electric Vineland General Corporation, Columbia Electric Rumford Limited Corporation, Columbia Electric Limited Holdings Corporation, Columbia Electric Liberty Corporation, all located at 13880 Dulles Corner Lane, Herndon, Virginia 20171-4600; Columbia Energy Resources, Inc., Columbia Natural Resources, Inc., Alamco-Delaware, Inc., Hawg Hauling & Disposal, Inc., Clarksburg Gas, L.P., Phoenix-Alamco Ventures, L.L.C., Columbia Natural Resources Canada, Ltd. ("CNR Canada"), all located c/o 900 Pennsylvania Avenue, Charleston, West Virginia 25302; Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation, 12801 Fair Lakes Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia 22030-0146; Columbia Gulf Transmission Company, 2603 Augusta, Suite 125, Houston, Texas 77057; Columbia Network Services Corporation and CNS Microwave, Inc., both located at 1600 Dublin Road, Columbus, Ohio 43215-1082; Columbia Propane Corporation, 9200 Areboretum Parkway, Suite 140, Richmond, Virginia 23236; and Columbia Insurance Corporation, Ltd., Craig Appin House, 8 Wesley Street, Hamilton HM EX, Bermuda, have filed a post-effective amendment with this Commission under section 9(a) of the Act and rules 45 and 54 under the Act to an application-declaration filed under sections 6(a), 7, 9(a), 10 and 13(b) of the Act, and rule 54 under the Act.

By order dated January 23, 1998 (HCAR No. 26820), the Commission authorized Columbia to invest up to \$5 million to acquire oil and natural gas leasehold interests in properties located in southern Ontario, Canada from Paragon Petroleum Corporation, a Canadian corporation. These interests were acquired through CNR Canada, which is currently pursuing oil and gas exploration activities on the properties.

Columbia now seeks authority to expand its oil and gas exploration activities to other properties in Canada.

These activities would be conducted by one or more, direct or indirect, existing or to-be-formed, non-utility subsidiaries. In connection with the proposed expansion, Columbia also seeks authority to increase its investment in these activities from \$5 million to \$55 million.

Columbia plans to use the increased investment for three purposes. The first purpose is for development activities on previously acquired properties with proven reserves. The second purpose is for drilling and development of proven and probable undeveloped reserves. Third, Columbia plans to invest in the acquisition of additional acreage, or the drilling rights to additional acreage.

For the Commission by the Division of Investment Management, under delegated authority.

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change by the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Inc. To Update and Reorganize Its Rules Relating to Designated Primary Market-Makers

April 22, 1999.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on December 22, 1998, the Chicago Board Options Exchange, Inc. ("CBOE" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by the CBOE.³ On February 18, 1999, the Exchange submitted an amendment to the proposed rule filing.⁴ The Commission is publishing this notice to solicit

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

³ As discussed below, CBOE filed a substantially similar proposal in 1998, which it subsequently withdrew. See note 5 below.

⁴ The amendment deleted a proposed change to CBOE Rule 8.7.07 because the proposed change amended language proposed by another pending CBOE rule filing that has not been approved by the Commission. Letter from Arthur B. Reinstein, Assistant General Counsel, CBOE is Kelly McCormick, Division of Market Regulation, SEC, dated February 11, 1999 ("Amendment No. 1").