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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

National Study on Long-Term Stewardship Activities and Issues; Extension of Scoping Period

AGENCY: Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Extension of scoping period for study on long-term stewardship.

NOTICE: Notice of extension of scoping period for national study on long-term stewardship.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) is preparing a national study on long-term stewardship focusing on the institutional and programmatic issues facing the Department as it completes the environmental cleanup program at sites. This study is being prepared pursuant to the terms of a settlement agreement that resolved a lawsuit brought against DOE by the Natural Resources Defense Council and 38 other plaintiffs [*Natural Resources Defense Council, et al. v. Richardson, et al.*, Civ. No. 97-936 (SS) (D.D.C. Dec. 12, 1998)]. On October 6, 1999 (64 FR 54279), the Department published a notice in the **Federal Register** stating its intent to prepare a national study on long-term stewardship of DOE sites. Public comment is being sought pursuant to the terms of the settlement agreement, to provide DOE with input on priority issues that will be most useful to address in the study. In response to public comment, the Department is extending the formal scoping period for the national study on long-term stewardship and invites the general public, other Federal agencies, Native American Tribes, state and local governments, and all other interested parties to comment on the scope of the study.

DATES: The formal scoping period for the national study on long-term stewardship is extended from January 4, 2000 to February 3, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Scoping comments may be submitted in writing to: Steven Livingstone, Project Manager, U.S. Department of Energy, PO Box 45079, Washington, DC 20026-5079; or electronically at www.em.doe.gov/lts or to Steven.Livingstone@em.doe.gov; or by fax at 202-586-4314.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James D. Werner, Program Director, or

Steven Livingstone, Project Manager, Office of Long-Term Stewardship (EM-51), Office of Environmental Management, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20585-0119, phone: 202-586-9280, fax: 202-586-4314.

Signed in Washington DC, this 22nd day of December, 1999.

James D. Werner,

Director, Office of Long-term Stewardship, Office of Environmental Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-30-002]

ANR Pipeline Company; Notice of Filing

December 22, 1999.

Take notice that on December 13, 1999, in compliance with the Commission's November 23, 1999 order, ANR Pipeline Company, (ANR) tendered for filing supplemental information, pursuant to Section 154.202 of the Commission's regulations, in support of ANR's proposed new hourly flow transportation services under Rate Schedules FTS-3 and ITS-3.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed on or before December 29, 1999. 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/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-206-005]

Atlanta Gas Light Company; Notice of Technical Conference

December 22, 1999.

Take notice that a technical conference will be held on Wednesday, January 19, 2000, at 10:00 a.m. in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

All interested parties and Staff are permitted to attend.

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Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP95-408-032]

Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Filing

December 22, 1999.

Take notice that on December 15, 1999, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia) tendered a filing pursuant to Article III, Section F, Sharing of Gains or Losses on Disposition of Gathering and Products Extraction Facilities, of Stipulation II in Docket No. RP95-408, et al., approved by the Commission on April 17, 1997 (79 FERC 61,044 (1997)). In accordance with this provision, Columbia is required to share with its customers the gain or loss on the sale of certain gathering and products extraction facilities to exceed the Sharing Threshold by \$1.496 million.

Columbia states further that copies of this filing have been mailed to all of its customers and affected state regulatory commissions.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP95-408-033]

Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

December 22, 1999.

Take notice that on December 17, 1999, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheets to become effective January 1, 2000:

Forty-first Revised Sheet No. 25
Forty-first Revised Sheet No. 26
Forty-first Revised Sheet No. 27
Eighteenth Revised Sheet No. 30A

Columbia states that this filing is being submitted pursuant to Stipulation I, Article I, Section E, True-up Mechanism, of the Settlement (Settlement) in Docket No. RP95-408 et al., approved by the Commission on April 17, 1997 (79 FERC 61,044 (61,044)). Under the approved section of the Settlement, Columbia is required to true-up its collections pursuant to the Settlement Component for 12-month periods commencing November 1, 1996 and ending October 31, 2004. The third 12-month period (Period III) ended October 31, 1999.

Columbia states that it is making this true-up filing in compliance with the Settlement to return a net over-recovered amount of \$1,691,326 for Period III, which include interest and the true-up of the Period II Settlement Component adjustment, through an adjustment to the Settlement Component of the base rates for the Period January 1, 2000 through October 31, 2000.

Columbia states further that copies of this filing have been mailed to all of its customers and affected state regulatory commissions.

Any person desiring to protest this filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C.

20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed as provided in 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. 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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP00-55-000]

Distrigas of Massachusetts Corporation; Notice of Application

December 22, 1999.

Take notice that on December 15, 1999, Distrigas of Massachusetts Corporation (DOMAC), 75 State Street, 12th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02109, filed in Docket No. CP00-55-000 an application pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Regulations for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing DOMAC to install, operate, and maintain certain facilities at its Everett, Massachusetts LNG Plant in order to provide services between its LNG Plant and an electric power generating plant (Power Project) to be constructed on a site adjacent to the LNG Plant, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Specifically, DOMAC seeks authorization to install, operate, and maintain: (1) A hot and cold water thermal energy transfer system between the LNG Plant and the Power Project, (2) replacement vaporization equipment necessary to integrate the thermal energy transfer system into the LNG Plant's existing operations, and (3) certain minor LNG Plant modifications necessary to meter and connect the Power Project's fuel supply line to the LNG Plant. The Power Project is under

development by Cabot Power Corporation, an affiliate of DOMAC, and will be constructed on a site owned by MASSGAS, INC. (another affiliate of DOMAC) adjacent to the LNG Plant. The total cost of the proposed facilities is estimated to be \$11 million. DOMAC requests that the Commission issue final certificate authorization by June 30, 2000.

DOMAC explains that it wishes to construct the proposed facilities in order to establish a mutually beneficial thermal energy exchange arrangement between its LNG Plant and the Power Project. DOMAC will supply regasified LNG to the Power Project. Waste heat from the Power Project will be authorized by DOMAC to increase the efficiency of its LNG Plant and the Power Project will utilize chilled water returned from the LNG Plant to increase its efficiency.

DOMAC states that the proposed project is designed to preserve existing LNG Plant capabilities and will not degrade any services DOMAC provides to existing customers. In addition, DOMAC lists as benefits that the proposed project will provide: improved reliability; improved operational safety; improved air quality; as well as reduced operating costs for DOMAC which will benefit the competitive Northeast energy market. DOMAC also states that, since it will bear all costs of the proposed facilities and will assume the full economic risk of the investment, the proposed project will not affect the rates paid by existing or future customers.

Any question regarding this amendment should be directed to Robert A. Nailling, Senior Counsel, Distrigas of Massachusetts Corporation, 75 State Street, 12th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02109, at (617) 526-8300.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before January 12, 2000, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) 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 to the party or parties directly involved. Any person wishing to become a party in any proceeding herein must file a motion to