

This preliminary determination typically considers such issues as the need for the project and its economic effect on existing customers of the applicant, on other pipelines in the area, and on landowners and communities. For example, the Commission considers the extent to which the applicant may need to exercise eminent domain to obtain rights-of-way for the proposed project and balances that against the non-environmental benefits to be provided by the project. Therefore, if a person has comments on community and landowner impacts from this proposal, it is important either to file comments or to intervene as early in the process as possible.

Comments and protests may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

If the Commission decides to set the application for a formal hearing before an Administrative Law Judge, the Commission will issue another notice describing that process. At the end of the Commission's review process, a final Commission order approving or denying a certificate will be issued.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-627-001]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Compliance Filing

December 13, 2000.

Take notice that on November 27, 2000, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern) tendered its compliance filing with the Commission's Order on Filings to Establish Imbalance Netting and Trading Pursuant to Order Nos. 587-G and 587-L [93 FERC ¶ 61,903 (2000)] issued on October 27, 2000 (October 27 Order).

Northern states that the purpose of this filing is to comply with the requirements of the October 27 Order.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.214 and Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such 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. 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). Comments and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP01-183-000]

OkTex Pipeline Company; Notice of Compliance Filing

December 13, 2000.

Take notice that on December 11, 2000, OkTex Pipeline Company (OkTex), filed tariff sheets to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff Original Volume No. 1 the following pro forma tariff sheets:

Second Revised Sheet No. 1
Second Revised Sheet No. 4
6th Revised Sheet No. 9
2nd Revised Sheet No. 15
4th Revised Sheet No. 17
6th Revised Sheet No. 30
2nd Revised Sheet No. 30A
Fourth Revised Sheet No. 38
7th Revised Sheet No. 39
Original Sheet No. 40G
Original Sheet No. 40H
Original Sheet No. 40I
Original Sheet No. 40J
First Revised Sheet No. 47
First Revised Sheet No. 54
Second Revised Sheet No. 60C
Second Revised Sheet No. 61

OkTex states that on February 9, 2000 the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) issued its final rule and Order on rehearing regarding the regulation of short-term interstate natural gas transportation services in Docket Nos. RM98-10-002 and RM98-12-002 ("Order No. 637, and 637-A"). In the instant filing OkTex is filing to implement the requirements of Order Nos. 637 and 637-A relating to capacity release, segmentation,

operational flow orders, penalties and imbalance management services.

OkTex states that copies of the filing have been mailed to all affected customers and state regulatory commissions.

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, DC 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 385.2141 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed on or before January 12, 2001. 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). Comments and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 559-002-CA]

San Diego Gas & Electric Company; Notice of Petition for Declaratory Order, and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

December 13, 2000.

a. *Type of Filing:* Petition for Declaratory Order to Find that the Rincon Transmission Line Project is no longer jurisdictional and no longer requires licensing.

b. *Project No:* 559-002.

c. *Date Filed:* November 16, 2000.

d. *Applicant:* San Diego Gas & Electric Company.

e. *Name of Project:* Rincon Transmission Line Project.

f. *Location:* The Project is located in the City of Escondido, San Diego County, California.