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**Sally L. Stroup,**

*Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Golden Field Office; Development and Maintenance of Testing Standards for Solar Energy Systems

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Issuance of Funding Opportunity Announcement DE-PS36-04GO94005.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is announcing its intention to seek applications for financial assistance for development and maintenance of standards for testing

solar thermal energy systems. Through a single financial assistance award (Cooperative Agreement), DOE intends to provide financial support to advance the widespread application of solar energy technologies. Applications are sought from organizations, or teams of organizations, that are experienced in the development and maintenance of testing regimes, certification of results and performance, and the establishment of relevant performance standards, particularly concerned with thermal efficiency.

**DATES:** The Funding Opportunity Announcement will be issued January 26, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** To obtain a copy of the announcement, interested parties should access the DOE Golden Field Office Home Page at <http://www.go.doe.gov/funding.html>, click on the word "access." The link will open the Industry Interactive Procurement System (IIPS) Web site and provide instructions on using IIPS. The announcement can also be obtained directly through IIPS at <http://e-center.doe.gov> by browsing opportunities by Contract Activity, for those announcements issued by the Golden Field Office. DOE will not issue paper copies of the announcement.

IIPS provides the medium for disseminating announcements, receiving financial assistance applications, and evaluating the applications in a paperless environment. The application may be submitted in the Industry Interactive Procurement System (IIPS) by the applicant or a designated representative that receives authorization from the applicant; however, the application documentation must reflect the name and title of the representative authorized to enter the applicant into a legally binding contract or agreement. The applicant or the designated representative must first register in IIPS, entering their first name and last name, then entering the company name/address of the applicant.

For questions regarding the operation of IIPS, contact the IIPS Help Desk at [IIPS\\_HelpDesk@e-center.doe.gov](mailto:IIPS_HelpDesk@e-center.doe.gov) or at (800) 683-0751.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Beth H. Dwyer, DOE Golden Field Office, 1617 Cole Boulevard, Golden, CO 80401-3393 or via facsimile to (303) 275-4788, or electronically to [beth.dwyer@go.doe.gov](mailto:beth.dwyer@go.doe.gov).

Issued in Golden, Colorado, on January 26, 2004.

**Jerry L. Zimmer,**

*Director, Office of Acquisition and Financial Assistance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP04-52-000]

### CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

January 29, 2004.

Take notice that on January 14, 2004, CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company (CEGT), 1111 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas 77002-5231, filed in Docket No. CP04-52-000, a request pursuant to sections 157.205 and 157.216 of the Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.216) for authorization to abandon certain facilities in the State of Texas, under CEGT's blanket certificate issued in Docket Nos. CP82-384-000 and 001 pursuant to section 7(C) of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully described in the request.

Copies of this request are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll-free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

CEGT proposes to abandon, by sale and transfer, certain above-ground facilities that are currently a part of various CEGT delivery point facilities in the State of Texas as described more fully in the request. CEGT further proposes to sell and transfer these facilities to CenterPoint Energy Entex (Entex), a distribution division of CenterPoint Energy, Incorporated, at the estimated net book value, of \$23,025.96. CEGT states that no services would be abandoned as a result of the proposed sale and transfer. Entex, it is said, would own and operate these facilities as part of its distribution system.

Any person or the Commission's Staff may, within 45 days after the 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 Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (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 to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for 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 NGA.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Lawrence O. Thomas, Director—Rates & Regulatory, CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company, P.O. Box 21734, Shreveport, Louisiana 71151, or call (318) 429-2804.

Comments, protests and interventions 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 under the "e-Filing" link.

**Magalie R. Salas,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP04-055-000]

#### Northwest Pipeline Corporation and Terasen Sumas Inc.; Notice of Application

January 29, 2004.

Take Notice that on January 20, 2004, Terasen Sumas Inc. (Sumas) and Northwest Pipeline Corporation (Northwest) jointly filed in Docket No. CP04-055-000, an application pursuant to section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), part 153 of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission), Executive Order Nos. 10485 and 12038 and the Secretary of Energy's Delegation Order No. 0204-112 to transfer from Sumas to Northwest the authorization and Presidential Permit previously issued to Sumas in CP92-259-000. Sumas requests the Commission to issue an order transferring to Northwest the NGA section 3 authorization and Presidential Permit to operate and maintain facilities<sup>1</sup> at the international boundary

<sup>1</sup> Sumas has filed in CP04-56-000 to abandon by sale the facilities consisting of 205 feet of 24-inch

between the United States and Canada in Whatcom County, Washington and near Sumas, Washington (the Facilities) for the importation and exportation of natural gas with Canada. This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "e-Library" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call toll-free, (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Cynthia Des Brisay, Director, Business Development, Terasen Sumas Inc., 16705 Fraser Highway, Surrey, British Columbia, Canada, V3S 2X7, at (604) 592-7837 or fax (604) 592-7620 or Gary K. Kotter, Manager, Certificates and Tariffs—3C1, Northwest Pipeline Corporation, P.O. Box 58900, Salt Lake City, Utah 84158-0900, at (801) 584-7117 or fax (801) 584-7764.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene 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 NGA (18 CFR 157.10) by the comment date, below. A person obtaining party 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 all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken; but the filing of a comment alone

diameter pipeline operated under the NGA section 3 authorization and Presidential Permit issued in CP92-259-000 to Northwest.

will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Protests and interventions 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 under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. 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 an application will be issued. *Comment Date:* February 19, 2004.

**Magalie R. Salas,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP04-056-000]

#### Terasen Sumas Inc.; Notice of Application

January 29, 2004.

Take notice that on January 20, 2004, Terasen Sumas Inc. (Sumas), 16705 Fraser Highway, Surrey, British Columbia, Canada, V3S 2X7 filed in Docket No CP04-056-000, an abbreviated application pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), as amended, and part 157 of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission), to abandon its interstate pipeline facilities, located at the United States and Canadian border<sup>1</sup> near Sumas, Washington, by sale to Northwest Pipeline Corporation (Northwest) pursuant to a Facilities Sales Agreement, dated November 11, 2003. Sumas also requests that the Commission vacate Sumas' existing part

<sup>1</sup> Sumas and Northwest have filed in CP04-55-000 an application pursuant to section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), part 153 of the regulations of the Commission, Executive Order Nos. 10485 and 12038 and the Secretary of Energy's Delegation Order No. 0204-112 to transfer from Sumas to Northwest the authorization and Presidential Permit previously issued to Sumas in CP92-259-000 to operate and maintain the above referenced facilities.