unnecessary for Southern or ANR to appear or be represented at the hearing.

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Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP03-207-000]

Florida Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

December 24, 2002.

Take notice that on December 18, 2002, Florida Gas Transmission Company (FGT) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets, effective January 1, 2003:

Fifty-Seventh Revised Sheet No. 8A. Forty-Ninth Revised Sheet No. 8A.01 Forty-Ninth Revised Sheet No. 8A.02 Seventh Revised Sheet No. 8A.04 Fifty-Second Revised Sheet No. 8B Forty-Fifth Revised Sheet No. 8B.01 Second Revised Sheet No. 8B.02

FGT states that in Docket No. RP02-513-000 filed on August 29, 2002, it filed to establish a Base Fuel Reimbursement Charge Percentage (Base FRCP) of 3.01 % to become effective for the six-month winter period beginning October 1, 2002. Subsequently, on November 19, 2002, in Docket No. RP03-80-000, FGT filed a flex adjustment of (0.26%) to be effective December 1, 2002, which, when combined with a Base FRCP of 3.01% resulted in an Effective Fuel Reimbursement Charge Percentage (Effective FRCP) of 2.75%. FGT states that in the instant filing, it is filing a flex adjustment of (0.24%) to be effective January 1, 2003, which, when combined with the current Effective FRCP of 2.75%, results in a new Effective FRCP of 2.51%.

FGT states that this filing is necessary because it is currently experiencing lower fuel usage than is being recovered in the Effective FRCP of 2.75%. Decreasing the Effective FRCP will reduce FGT's overrecovery of fuel and reduce the unit fuel surcharge in the next winter period.

FGT states that the tariff sheets listed above are being filed pursuant to section 27.A.2.b of the general terms and conditions of FGT's Tariff, which provides for flex adjustments to the Base FRCP. Pursuant to the terms of section 27.A.2.b, a flex adjustment shall become effective without prior FERC approval provided that such flex adjustment does not exceed 0.50%, is effective at the beginning of a month, is posted on FGT's EBB at least five working days prior to the nomination deadline, and is filed no more than 60 and at least seven days before the proposed effective date. The instant filing comports with these provisions and FGT has posted notice of the flex adjustment prior to the instant filing.

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, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's rules and regulations. All such motions or 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. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. 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 "FERRIS" 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 or tollfree at (866) 208-3676, or TTY, contact (202) 502–8659. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages

Intervention Date: December 31, 2002.

385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions

on the Commission's Web site under the

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electronic filings. See 18 CFR

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP03-22-000]

In the Matter of Southern Natural Gas Company and ANR Storage Company; Notice of Application

December 23, 2002.

Take notice that on December 10, 2002, Southern Natural Gas Company (Southern) P.O. Box 2563, Birmingham, Alabama 35202-2563, and ANR Storage Company (ANR), P. O. Box 2511, Houston, Texas 77252, filed an abbreviated joint application pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act, as amended, and sections 157.7 and 157.14 of the Commission's regulations for authorization to abandon the storage services, previously authorized in Docket No. CP79-416 (12 FERC " 61.194), rendered under ANR's X-9 and X-10 Rate Schedules on behalf of Southern effective as of March 31, 2002. The application is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

ANR states that it has provided storage service on behalf of Southern pursuant to ANR's Rate Schedules X-9 and X-10 and pursuant to the terms of storage service agreements (the "Agreements") dated January 31, 1979, and February 1, 1979, respectively. This service involves ANR making storage available to Southern pursuant to storage agreements whereby ANR will store during the summer periods up to 11,503,000 Mcf of natural gas and during the winter periods will make equivalent volumes of gas available for redelivery to Southern. The January 31 agreement provided for a 50-day storage service of up to 5,881,900 Mcf of gas while the February 1 agreement provided for a 100-day storage service of up to 5,620,800 Mcf of gas. The Agreements provided that Southern could elect to defer redelivery, from one contract year to the next, of all or any part of the volumes stored. Since Southern requested termination of the service under ANR's X-9 and X-10 Rates Schedules, ANR has requested that the abandonment of Rate Schedules X-9 and X-10 be effective March 31.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before December 31, 2002, file with the Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene or protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's rules of practice and procedure, 18 CFR

385.211 or 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 proceedings. 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.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the 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 or if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the subject authorization 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 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 Southern or ANR to appear or be represented at the hearing.

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Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP03-25-000]

Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Application

December 23, 2002.

Take notice that on December 13, 2002, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco), P.O. Box 1396, Houston, Texas 77251, filed an application in Docket No. CP03-25-000 pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and part 157(A) of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Regulations (Commission), for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing Transco's construction and operation of certain facilities at Compressor Station No. 60 (Station 60) in East Feliciana Parish, Louisiana to comply with the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990, all

as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov, using the "FERRIS" 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 or toll-free at (866)208–3676, or for TTY, contact (202)502–8659.

Transco states that the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 and state implementation plans require certain reductions of NO_X (oxides of nitrogen) air emissions at certain of Transco's compressor stations. Accordingly, during the past few years and over the next few years Transco has installed and plans to install certain facilities at these stations to achieve the required reductions of NO_X. Transco states that it plans to install these facilities pursuant to its blanket facilities certificate (18 CFR 157.208) issued in Docket No. CP82–426 when it is authorized to do so (either under automatic or prior notice authorization, depending on the estimated dollar amount). However, at the stations where the estimated total cost of installing these facilities is more than \$21 million, Transco states that it is not authorized to perform such work pursuant to its blanket facilities certificate and, therefore, is required to file an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity.

Transco states that it proposes to modify several of its existing reciprocating engines at Station 60 in order to comply with the State of Louisiana plan to implement the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990. Station 60 has 13 units including 10 reciprocating/compressor units and three gas turbine-driven centrifugal compressor units. The facilities at Station 60 are located within a fenced area of approximately 11 acres. Transco states that it plans to install turbochargers and associated equipment on 9 of the 10 reciprocating engines in order to reduce NO_X emissions.

Transco states that, following installation of the turbochargers, the 9 engines will have the potential to perform above their current operating horsepower. However, since Station 60 is automated, it is stated that Transco has the ability to shut down other engines or reduce their load to ensure that the station will not operate above the station's total certificated horsepower. Transco states that there will be no increase in the capacity of

Transco's system in the vicinity of the station as a result of installing the 9 new turbochargers and modifying the two existing turbochargers.

Transco states that installation of new turbochargers and modifications to existing ones at Station 60 will require some work to be done outside of the compressor building. All of the proposed work described above will be done within the confines of previously disturbed areas. Approximately one acre of previously disturbed ground will be affected by the proposed project. Restoration of this area will be conducted according to the Commission's Upland Erosion Control, Revegetation, and Maintenance Plan.

Transco estimates that the proposed modifications will cost \$32.2 million.

Transco submits that the public convenience and necessity requires the issuance of the authorization requested herein because this project will (1) reduce NO_X emissions at Station 60, and (2) enable Transco to comply with the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 and the requirements of the DEQ implementing regulations issued pursuant thereto.

Transco states that it needs to

commence the work at Station 60 in April 2003 in order to complete the work on a timely basis with respect to the requirements of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 and the requirements of the DEQ, while at the same time accommodating the operational needs of its pipeline system and ensuring that Transco's gas service obligations are met. Engine modifications were initially scheduled to commence in 2004. However, a recent project evaluation indicated Transco must phase engine outages over an extended period in order to minimize the impact to gas throughput. With this revised engine outage schedule, Transco must begin construction in April 2003 and recommence work in April 2004 in order to complete the required engine modifications prior to the May 1, 2005, regulatory deadline.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to Kevin Farris, P. O. Box 1396, Houston, Texas 77251–1396, (713) 215–2862.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's rules of practice and (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). 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 proceeding. Any person wishing to