

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory  
Commission**

[Docket No. IS06–259–000]

**Platte Pipe Line Company; Notice of  
Technical Conference**

June 15, 2006.

Take notice that the Commission will convene a technical conference on Friday, July 14, 2006, at 9 a.m. (EDT), in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The technical conference will address all aspects of Platte's Supplement No. 7 to its FERC Tariff No. 1456 proposing to establish a new prorationing policy for crude oil volumes moving east of Guernsey, Wyoming, as discussed in the Commission's Order issued on May 19, 2006.<sup>1</sup> Platte's current prorationing methodology allocates capacity monthly on the basis of shippers' nominations as a percentage of available capacity. The provisions of Supplement No. 7 would allocate capacity among Historic Shippers and New Shippers, which are defined as those moving injection volumes in four or less months of the six months used in the historical calculation. Platte proposes to base the revised calculation on a past six-month period and also proposes to allocate New Shippers 10 percent of available capacity, with no individual New Shipper allocated more than three percent of available capacity.

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All interested persons are permitted to attend. For further information please contact Jenifer Lucas at (202) 502–8362 or e-mail [jenifer.lucas@ferc.gov](mailto:jenifer.lucas@ferc.gov).

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

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory  
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[Docket No. RM06–11–000]

**Financial Accounting, Reporting and  
Records Retention Requirements  
Under the Public Utility Holding  
Company Act of 2005; Notice of New  
Date for Technical Conference**

June 16, 2006.

On April 21, 2006, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) announced a staff technical conference in the above-referenced proceeding to be held at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426 in the Commission Meeting Room on June 21, 2006, from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. EDT. This conference was rescheduled for July 11, 2006. It is now being rescheduled for July 18, 2006, in the interest of having the largest possible participation. All interested persons are invited to attend. There is *no* registration fee or requirement to register in order to attend.

The purpose of the conference remains the same. It is to identify the issues associated with the proposed Uniform System of Accounts for Centralized Service Companies, the proposed records retention requirements for holding companies and service companies, and the revised Form No. 60. The technical conference will develop information for use by Commission staff in preparing a final rule in this proceeding.

Interested persons wishing to participate as a speaker in the technical conference are asked to notify Commission staff electronically at <https://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/usoa-06-21-speaker-form.asp> by June 20, 2006.

Prospective attendees and participants are urged to watch for further notices; a detailed agenda will be issued in advance of the conference.

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Questions about the conference should be directed to: Julia A. Lake, Office of the General Counsel—Energy Markets and Reliability, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First

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

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory  
Commission**

[Docket No. PL04–3–000]

**Before Commissioners: Joseph T.  
Kelliher, Chairman; Nora Mead  
Brownell, and Suedeem G. Kelly;  
Natural Gas Interchangeability; Policy  
Statement on Provisions Governing  
Natural Gas Quality and  
Interchangeability in Interstate Natural  
Gas Pipeline Company Tariffs**

Issued June 15, 2006.

**I. Introduction**

1. In this proceeding, the Commission has been exploring natural gas quality and interchangeability issues and the impact of those issues on the natural gas companies subject to the Commission's jurisdiction, as well as on natural gas producers, shippers and end-users. Based upon the information developed during this proceeding, which will be discussed below, the Commission today announces its policy on natural gas quality and interchangeability issues.

2. The Commission's intention in issuing this statement of generic policy is to provide direction for addressing gas quality and interchangeability concerns, as well as to provide guidance to individual companies that have concerns about these issues. The Commission's policy embodies five principles: (1) Only natural gas quality and interchangeability specifications contained in a Commission-approved gas tariff can be enforced; (2) pipeline tariff provisions on gas quality and interchangeability need to be flexible to allow pipelines to balance safety and reliability concerns with the importance of maximizing supply, as well as recognizing the evolving nature of the science underlying gas quality and interchangeability specifications; (3) pipelines and their customers should develop gas quality and interchangeability specifications based on technical requirements; (4) in negotiating technically based solutions, pipelines and their customers are strongly encouraged to use the Natural Gas Council Plus (NGC+) interim guidelines filed with the Commission

<sup>1</sup> *Platte Pipe Line Company*, 115 FERC ¶ 61,215 (2006).