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SECTION 1
NEW APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS FILED

DOCKET NO. -- 10249
CAPTION -- Petition for De Novo Review of the Denial of the Statement of Intent filed by Onalaska Water & Gas Supply Corporation by the City of Onalaska, Texas.
DATE FILED -- 03/20/2013
FILED BY -- Karl Nalepa
EXAMINER -- Eugene Montes
TECHNICAL -- Rose Ruiz

DOCKET NO. -- 10250
CAPTION -- Application filed by Tristate ETX, LLC to report the acquisition of natural gas midstream pipeline assets in East Texas from Forest Texas Gathering Company.
DATE FILED -- 12/27/2012
FILED BY -- Tonja E. Sanchez
EXAMINER --
TECHNICAL -- Mark Brock

DOCKET NO. -- 10251
CAPTION -- Application of ONEOK WesTex Transmission, L.L.C. to report the Sale of pipeline assets in Howard and Mitchell Counties, Texas to WTG Jameson LP.
DATE FILED -- 01/11/2013
FILED BY -- David Heston
EXAMINER --
TECHNICAL -- Mark Brock

DOCKET NO. -- 10252
CAPTION -- Application of Forest Texas Gathering Company to report the Sale of Britt Ranch System and Frye Ranch System located in Wheeler County, Texas to Forest Oil Corporation.
DATE FILED -- 03/01/2013
FILED BY -- Steve Grigel
EXAMINER --
TECHNICAL -- Mark Brock

DOCKET NO. -- 10253
CAPTION -- Application of Enbridge G & P (North Texas) L.P. to report transfer of assets to Enbridge G & P (East Texas) L.P.
DATE FILED -- 03/05/2013
FILED BY -- Joe White
EXAMINER --
TECHNICAL -- Mark Evarts

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DOCKET NO. -- 10254
CAPTION -- Application of Atmos Energy, West Texas Division for Abandonment of Service and Facilities to one residential customer in the unincorporated area of Gaines County, Texas.
DATE FILED -- 03/21/2013
FILED BY -- Jeffrey Foley
EXAMINER --
TECHNICAL -- Frank Tomicek

DOCKET NO. -- 10255
CAPTION -- Inquiry into the Failure of the City of Waller to Comply with Safety Standards.
DATE FILED -- 03/26/2013
FILED BY -- Commission's Own Motion
EXAMINER --
TECHNICAL --

DOCKET NO. -- 10256
CAPTION -- Application of CenterPoint Energy Entex for Test Year 2012 Annual Interim Rate Adjustment Program for the Environs of the Houston Division and the Cities of Cut and Shoot, Galena Park, Jacinto City, New Waverly, Panorama Village, Roman Forest, South Houston, Southside Place, West University Place and Willis, which have Ceded Jurisdiction to the Commission pursuant to GURA Section 103.003.
DATE FILED -- 03/28/2013
FILED BY -- Keith Wall
EXAMINER -- Bill Geise
TECHNICAL -- Mark Brock

DOCKET NO. -- 10257
CAPTION -- Application of CenterPoint Energy Entex for Test Year 2012 Annual Interim Rate Adjustment Program for the Environs of the South Texas Division and the Cities of Beeville, Eagle Lake, Floresville, Goliad, Hallettsville, Kenedy, New Braunfels, Nordheim, Pleasanton, San Diego, Schertz, Seguin, Selma, Sinton, and Weimer, which have Ceded Jurisdiction to the Commission pursuant to GURA Section 103.003.
DATE FILED -- 03/28/2013
FILED BY -- Keith Wall
EXAMINER -- Bill Geise
TECHNICAL -- Frank Tomicek

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SECTION 2

APPEALS AND APPLICATIONS SET FOR HEARING OR PREHEARING CONFERENCE

Office of General Counsel Weekly Hearing Schedules for 2013

DOCKET NO. -- GUD No. 10235
CAPTION -- Statement of Intent of West Texas Gas, Inc. to Increase Gas Distribution Rates in the Unincorporated Areas of Texas and Consolidated Docket
EXAMINERS -- Cecile Hanna, Legal and Rose Ruiz, Technical
DATE & TIME -- May 13, 2013, 9:00 a.m.
PLACE -- The offices of the Railroad Commission of Texas, Williams B. Travis Building, 1701 North Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas 78701, (Room Number to be posted on the bulletin board in lobby of First Floor)

SECTION 3

STATUS OF PENDING CASES

None at this time.

SECTION 4

NOTICES OF DISMISSAL

None at this time.

SECTION 5

ORDERS OF THE COMMISSION

GUD No. 10148
Rate Case Expense Issues Severed from GUD No. 10021.

GUD No. 10164
Application filed by Eagle Rock Desoto Pipeline L.P. Pursuant to NGPA Section 311 for Review of the Reasonableness of a Transportation Rate.

GUD No. 10190
Statement of Intent filed by Hughes Natural Gas, Inc. to Change Gas Distribution Rates in the Unincorporated Areas of Austin, Colorado, Grimes, Harris, Montgomery and Waller Counties Texas.

GUD No. 10217
Statement of Intent Filed by Texas Gas Service to Change Rates Within the Environs of the South Texas Service Area.

SECTION 6
MISCELLANEOUS

WILLIAM O. GEISE, GAS SERVICES DIVISION DIRECTOR

1. OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

A. Publications

1. Texas Utilities Code Titles 3 and 4. Now available at the State of Texas' website at:

<http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us>

Special Rules of Practice and Procedure and Substantive Rules. Now available thru the Commission's Website at:

[http://info.sos.state.tx.us/pls/pub/readtac\\$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=7](http://info.sos.state.tx.us/pls/pub/readtac$ext.ViewTAC?tac_view=4&ti=16&pt=1&ch=7)

- 2.

- a. Annual Report for Fiscal Year – Now available via the Commission's website at:

<http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/data/gasservices/annualrpt/index.php>

3. Six MCF Monthly Residential Gas Bill Analysis for Twenty-five Texas Cities - Now available via the Commission's website at:

<http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/data/gasservices/sixmcf/index.php>

B. Interest Rate on Customer Deposits

We have been advised by the Public Utility Commission that the interest rate to be applied to customer deposits in calendar year 2013 is 0.12%. All gas utilities should use 0.12% for the calendar year 2012 and .19% for calendar year 2011.

2. UTILITY AUDIT SECTION

- A.** Maintains headquarters and three district offices as follows:

Headquarters - William B. Travis Building

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B. Gas Utility Tax, Annual Reports and Audit Reports

1. Questions relating to gas utility tax, call Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.
2. Questions relating to annual reports, call Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.
3. Inquiries relating to audit reports, call Pearl Rodriguez at (512) 463-7022.

C. Available Information

Copies of gas utility annual reports (2000 to present), as well as information relating to any of the above, A through C, are available for review at the William B. Travis Building, Gas Services Division, 9th Floor, 1701 North Congress. All requests for copies must be made in writing and should be addressed to the Audit Section. Copies will be provided for a fee, depending on the volume of copy work desired, allow a minimum of seven to ten business days for completion of requests. Inquiries regarding copies should be directed to the Audit Section at (512) 463-7022, or Fax your request to (512) 475-3180.

3. MARKET OVERSIGHT

A. Maintains the following office to assist you:

Headquarters - William B. Travis Building
1701 North Congress, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711
Mark Evarts, Director

Telephone (512) 463-7164

B. Gas Utilities Information Bulletin

Published on the Commission's web site at:
<http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/forms/newsletters/gasutilitybulletins/index.php>

C. Proposals For Decision

Published on the Commission's web site at: <http://www.rrc.state.tx.us/meetings/dockets/index.php>

D. Tariff Filings

Questions pertaining to the filing of tariffs and/or quality of service rules should be directed to Kathy Arroyo, Claudia Godoy, Yolanda Lovelace, or Ranissa Stewart at (512) 463-7167.

E. Curtailments

Curtailment questions should be referred to (512) 463-7167. Curtailment reports made Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., should be made to (512) 463-7167. Curtailment reports made during hours other than those specified above and holidays, should be made to (512) 463-6788.

F. Compliance Filings

Questions regarding gas utilities docket compliance filing requirements should be referred to Mark Evarts at (512) 463-7167.

G. Complaints and Inquiries

All complaints and inquiries relating to the gas utility industry should be directed to the Market Oversight Section at (512) 463-7164.

H. Pending RRC Rules and Regulations:

4. HEARINGS AND LEGAL ANALYSIS

A. Miscellaneous

Anyone wishing to obtain copies of appendices to Orders appearing in Section 5 of this Bulletin should contact the Legal Division at (512) 463-7017.

B. Status of Pending Cases

The status of all pending cases listed in Section 3 of this Bulletin is for informational purposes only and is complete up to the time of printing of this Bulletin. For a more accurate status of pending cases, please call the Legal Division at (512) 463-7017.