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posted not less than sixty days nor more than one hundred-twenty days prior to the date on which the electric service is to commence and become effective under an initial rate schedule or the date on which the filing party proposes to make any change in electric service and/or rate, charge, classification, practice, rule, regulation, or contract effective as a change in rate schedule, except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, or unless a different period of time is permitted by the Commission. Nothing herein shall be construed as in any way precluding a public utility from entering into agreements which, under this section, may not be filed at the time of execution thereof by reason of the aforementioned sixty to one hundred-twenty day prior filing requirements. The proposed effective date of any rate schedule filing having a *filing date* in accordance with §35.2(c) may be deferred at the written request of the filing public utility submitted to the Secretary prior to its acceptance by the Commission.

(b) *Construction of facilities.* Rate schedules predicated on the construction of facilities may be tendered for filing and posted no more than one hundred-twenty days prior to the date set by the parties for the contract to go into effect. The Commission, upon request, may permit a rate schedule or part thereof to be tendered for filing and posted more than one hundred-twenty days before it is to become effective.

(16 U.S.C. 284(d); Pub. L. 95-617; Pub. L. 95-91; E.O. 12009, 42 FR 46267)

[44 FR 16372, Mar. 19, 1979; 44 FR 20077, Apr. 4, 1979]

§ 35.4 Permission to become effective is not approval.

The fact that the Commission permits a rate schedule or any part thereof or any notice of cancellation to become effective shall not constitute approval by the Commission of such rate schedule or part thereof or notice of cancellation.

§ 35.5 Rejection of material submitted for filing.

(a) The Secretary, pursuant to the Commission's rules of practice and pro-

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cedure and delegation of Commission authority, shall reject any material submitted for filing with the Commission which patently fails to substantially comply with the applicable requirements set forth in this part, or the Commission's rules of practice and procedure.

(b) A rate filing that fails to comply with this Part may be rejected by the Director of the Office of Markets, Tariffs, and Rates pursuant to the authority delegated to the Director in §375.307(k)(3) of this chapter.

[Order 271, 28 FR 10573, Oct. 2, 1963, as amended by Order 614, 65 FR 18227, Apr. 7, 2000]

§ 35.6 Submission for staff suggestions.

Any public utility may submit a rate schedule or any part thereof or any material relating thereto for the purpose of receiving staff suggestions and comments thereon prior to filing with the Commission.

§ 35.7 Number of copies to be supplied.

All tariffs, rate schedules and contracts, or parts thereof, and material related thereto including any change in rates, certificates of concurrence, notices of cancellation or termination, and notices of succession, shall be supplied to the Commission for filing in six copies. All copies are to be included in one package, together with six copies of the letter of transmittal and all other materials and information required by these regulations, and addressed to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20426.

[Order 525, 40 FR 8947, Mar. 4, 1975, as amended by Order 541, 57 FR 21734, May 22, 1992]

§ 35.8 Protests and interventions by interested parties and form for Federal Register notice.

(a) *Protests or interventions.* Unless the notice issued by the Commission provides otherwise, any protest or intervention to a rate filing made pursuant to this part must be filed in accordance with §§385.211 and 385.214 of this chapter, on or before 21 days after the subject rate filing. A protest must state the basis for the objection. A protest will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action

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to be taken, but will not serve to make the protestant a party to the proceeding. A person wishing to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene.

(b) *Form of notice for FEDERAL REGISTER.* The public utility must file a form of notice suitable for publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER, as well as a copy of the same notice in electronic format (in ASCII text or WordPerfect 8.0 format) on a 3½" diskette marked with the name of the applicant and the words "Notice of Filing," which must be in the following form:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

(Name of Utility) Docket No.

NOTICE OF FILING

Take notice that (name of public utility), on (date), tendered for filing proposed changes in its FERC Electric Service Tariff, (Volume Nos.), [The following language in the first paragraph applies only to increased rate filings.] The proposed changes would increase revenues from jurisdictional sales and service by (amount) based on the 12-month period ending (date). [If changes other than increased rates and charges are proposed, the public utility must concisely state the nature of these changes.]

[The public utility must briefly describe the reasons for the proposed changes in the second paragraph.]

Copies of the filing were served upon the public utility's jurisdictional customers, (other parties the public utility served, *inter alia*, state public service commissions, other government agencies, etc.).

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest the filing should file a motion to intervene or protest 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 Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with §35.8 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 proceeding. 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 also be viewed on the Internet at

<http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

[Order 612, 64 FR 72537, Dec. 28, 1999; 65 FR 18229, Apr. 7, 2000]

§ 35.9 Identification and numbering of tariffs and rate schedules (including service agreements).

(a) All tariffs and rate schedules (including service agreements) must be numbered sequentially from the beginning of that tariff or rate schedule (or service agreement). Revised service agreements must be replaced in their entirety.

(b) All tariffs and rate schedules (not including service agreements, except as noted in paragraphs (b)(4) and (5) of this section) must have the following information placed in the margins of each sheet:

(1) *Identification.* At the top left of each page, the exact name of the company must be shown, under which must be set forth the words "FERC Electric Tariff" or "Rate Schedule FERC No. ___" together with volume identification, as appropriate.

(2) *Numbering of sheets.* Except for the title page, at the top right, the sheet number must appear as "(Original or Revised) Sheet No. (number)." All sheets must be numbered in the manner set forth in the Tariff, Rate Schedule and Service Agreement Pagination Guidelines, as modified from time to time.

(3) *Issuing officer and issue date.* On the lower left must be placed "Issued by:" followed by the name and title of the person authorized to issue the sheet. Immediately below must be placed "Issued on" followed by the date of issue.

(4) *Effective date.* On the lower right must be placed "Effective:" followed by the specific effective date proposed by the company. Service agreements must include this data on the same sheet containing the service agreement designation.

(5) *Filings made to comply with Commission orders.* Tariffs and rate schedules (including service agreements) filed to comply with Commission orders must carry the following notation in the bottom margin: "Filed to comply with order of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Docket No.