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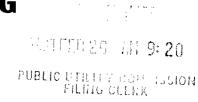
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# NATURAL GAS TRADING CORPORATION

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February 15, 2003

Filing Clerk
Public Utility Commission of Texas
1701 N. Congress Avenue
P.O. Box 13326
Austin, Texas 78711-3326

Reference: Power Marketing Registration

Filing Clerk:

Attached, please find an executed Affidavit along with the information on Natural Gas Trading Corporation as required under Substantive Rule 25.105. Also enclosed are copies of NGTC's FERC registration filings and a copy of FERC's final order granting approval of NGTC's filings.

The attached demonstrates our desire to be registered with the PUC as a Power Marketer. Please file the attached information under Project Number 14406.

If you have any questions pertaining to the attached please contact me by telephone at 281-980-1951 or by e-mail at ngtc@houston.rr.com.

Thank you for your attention on this matter.

Sincerely,

Joe Hinejosa

Enclosures

President

# **AFFIDAVIT**

# STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF FORT BEND

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared the undersigned, who, after being duly sworn, stated on their oath that they are entitled to make Affidavit, and that the statements contained below and in the foregoing are true and correct.

I swear or affirm that I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in the attached application, that I am competent to testify to them, and that I have the authority to submit this application form on behalf of the applying party. I further swear or affirm that all statements made in the application form are true, correct and complete and that any substantial changes in such information will be provided to the Public Utility Commission of Texas in a timely manner. I swear or affirm that the applying party understands and will comply with all requirements of the applicable law and rules.

Signature of Authorized Representative

JOE L. HINOJOE

Printed Name

NATURAL GAS TRADING CORPORATION

Name of Applicant

Sworn and subscribed before me this 15 day of February, 2003

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

LISA HACKETT
NOTARY PUBLIC. STATE OF TEXAS
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES
SEPT. 26, 2003

- (c) Initial information. Regardless of whether it has registered with the FERC, a power marketer shall:
- (1) Provide its address and the name, address, telephone number, facsimile transmission number, and e-mail address of the person to whom communications should be addressed; and the names and types of businesses of the owners (with percentages of ownership).

Natural Gas Trading Corporation (NGTC)

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E-Mail: NGTC@Houston.rr.com

Contact: Joe L. Hinojosa

Company: Natural Gas Trading Corporation (NGTC)

Owner: Joe L. Hinojosa Ownership Percentage: 100%

Type of Business: Wholesale Energy Marketer

(2) Identify each affiliate that buys or sells electricity at wholesale in Texas; sells electricity at retail in Texas; or is an electric or municipally owned utility in Texas.

Currently, NGTC does not participate in buying or selling electricity at the wholesale or retail levels in the state of Texas. Moreover, NGTC does not own or operate generating facilities.

(3) Describe the location of any facility in Texas used to provide service.

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(4) Provide a description of the type of service provided.

Wholesale Energy Marketer

(5) Submit copies of all of its FERC registration information, filed with FERC subsequent to the effective date of this section.

See Attached.

(6) Submit an affidavit by an authorized person that the registrant is a power marketer.

See Attached.

# ER01-352-000

# NATURAL GAS TRADING CORPORATION

P.O. BOX 16273 SUGAR LAND, TX 77496-6273 Phone: (281)980-1951 Fax: (281)313-0135 CARICE OF THE SECRETARY

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REGULATURY COMMISSION

October 30, 2000

David P. Boergers, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
Information Services Division
ED 12.3
888 First St., NE
Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: Natural Gas Trading Corporation

Docket No. ER01-000

Dear Mr. Boergers:

Enclosed for filing are an original and six copies of the Petition For Acceptance Of Initial Rate Schedule, Waivers And Blanket Authority, submitted by Natural Gas Trading Corporation (NGTC). The Petition requests acceptance of NGTC Rate Schedule FERC No. 1, under which NGTC will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions as a marketer, the granting of certain blanket approvals, including the authority to sell electricity at market-based rates, and the waiver of certain Commission regulations. Attached to the Petition is a form of notice of this filing suitable for publication in the Federal Register, and a copy of the notice, on a 3 1/2" diskette.

NGTC is not currently subject to any state regulatory commission nor is it selling power to any person pursuant to the proposed rate schedule. Accordingly, no copies have been served on other parties.

Please file stamp and return one copy of the cover letter using the enclosed stamped self addressed envelope.

Sincerely

**10e** L. Hinojos

President

**Natural Gas Trading Corporation** 

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**Enclosures** 

### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

# BEFORE THE

# FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Natural Gas Trading Corporation Docket No. ER01--000

# PETITION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF INITIAL RATE SCHEDULE,

# WAIVERS AND BLANKET AUTHORITY

Pursuant to Rules 205 and 207 of the Commission's Rules Of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. 385.205 and 385.207, and section 35.12 of the Commission's Regulations, 18 C.F.R. S35.12, Natural Gas Trading Corporation ("NGTC") hereby submits for filing NGTC Rate Schedule FERC No. 1, under which NGTC will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions as a marketer.

### I. COMMUNICATIONS

All communications and service related to this application should be directed to the following:

Joe L. Hinojosa
President
Natural Gas Trading Corporation
P.O. Box 16273
Sugar Land, TX 77496-6273
Telephone: 281-980-1951
Facsimile: 281-313-0135

# II. DESCRIPTION OF APPLICANT

NGTC is a Texas Corporation with its principal place of business in Sugar Land, TX. NGTC is involved in natural gas marketing at the wholesale level. NGTC intends to purchase and resell power at the wholesale level.

NGTC proposes to act as a power marketer, purchasing electricity and reselling it to wholesale customers. NGTC may also engage in other, nonjurisdictional, activities to facilitate efficient trade in the bulk power market, such as facilitating the purchase and sale of wholesale energy without taking title to the electricity (brokering), and arranging services in related areas such as transmission and fuel supplies. All transactions between NGTC and its purchasers and sellers will be at rates negotiated between the parties to the transaction.

# III. REQUEST FOR BLANKET AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE AND RESELL ELECTRICITY AT NEGOTIATED, MARKET-BASED RATES

NGTC requests authorization to sell electricity at market-based rates pursuant to the attached NGTC Rate Schedule FERC No. 1. The Commission has granted open-ended market rate authority to power marketers when it has determined that the marketer and its affiliates do not have, or have adequately mitigated, market power in generation and transmission; cannot engage: in anticompetitive practices through preferential affiliate transactions or reciprocal dealing; and cannot otherwise erect barriers to market entry competing suppliers.

Under the analysis used by the Commission in considering other power marketer applications, NGTC and its affiliates lack the ability to engage in anti-competitive actions.

# A. Generation Dominance

Neither NGTC nor any of its affiliates owns or controls generation facilities. Accordingly, NGTC cannot bar entry to the market by virtue of generation market power.

# B. Transmission Market Power

Neither NGTC nor any of its affiliates owns or controls transmission facilities. Accordingly, NGTC cannot bar entry to the market by virtue of transmission market power.

# C. Other Barriers To Entry

Neither NGTC nor any of its affiliates owns or controls any sites for the construction of new generating capacity, interstate or intrastate natural gas transmission lines, or other essential resources or inputs that could be used to restrict market entry by competing power suppliers.

# D. Affiliate Abuse

The Commission has indicated that its concern over affiliate abuse and reciprocal dealing arises in the context of a seller affiliated with an electric utility having a franchised service territory. Neither NGTC nor any of its affiliates has a franchised service area for the sale of electricity.

Accordingly, neither NGTC nor any of its affiliates has the power to gain a competitive advantage by pass-through to ratepayers of excessive costs paid to affiliates for power or by ratepayer cross-subsidy or preferential pricing of services.

# IV. REQUEST FOR WAIVERS AND ADDITIONAL BLANKET AUTHORITY

NGTC requests waiver from the following Commission Regulations, which have been granted to other power marketers:

- (1) Waiver of subparts B and C of Part 35, regarding the filing of rate schedules, except sections 35.12(a), 35.13(b), 35.15, and 35.16;
- (2) Part 41, regarding accounts, records, and memoranda;

(3) Part 101, regarding the uniform system of accounts, and

(4) Part 141, regarding statements and reports;

(5) NGTC requests blanket approval under Part 34 of the Commission's Regulations of future issuance regarding securities and assumptions of liabilities, subject to objection by an interested

party.

The full requirements of Part 45, regarding interlocks. With respect to making an abbreviated filing (6) under Part 45, NGTC agrees that the person holding the interlock will file a sworn statement providing the full name and business address of the affected person, as well as a listing of all

jurisdictional interlocks, identifying the affected companies and the positions held by that person.

V. EFFECTIVE DATE

NGTC requests that the rate schedule be effective sixty days after filing, or the date the Commission issues

an order accepting the rate schedule, whichever occurs first.

VI. QUARTERLY FILINGS

NGTC agrees to submit quarterly transaction reports of its purchase and sales transactions, as required by the Commission for other power marketers. NGTC agrees to submit such reports even to state that no

transactions occurred during the particular calendar quarter.

VII. STATUS CHANGE REPORTING REQUIREMENT

NGTC agrees to promptly inform the Commission, through its quarterly transaction reports, of any departure from the facts relied upon by the Commission in its market analysis, including affiliation with generation or transmission facilities, or an electric utility with a franchised service area. In such notices, NGTC will discuss whether these changed facts affect NGTC's authority to charge market-based rates. See

Coastal Electric Services Company, 71 FERC 61,374 (1995).

WHEREFORE, Natural Gas Trading Corporation requests that the Commission issue an order accepting

NGTC Rate Schedule FERC No. 1 and granting the waivers and authorization requested in this Petition.

Dated: October 30, 2000

Respectfully subtained.

**Natural Gas Trading Corporation** 

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# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

# FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Natural Gas Trading Corporation Docket No. ER01---000

# **NOTICE OF FILING**

(Issued ( ), 2000)

Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

David P. Boergers Secretary

# FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20426

February 13, 2001

Natural Gas Trading Corporation

Docket No. ER01-352-001

Pursuant to authority delegated to the Director, Division of Corporate Applications, under 18 C.F.R. § 375.307, your submittal in the above referenced docket(s) is accepted for filing on the effective date requested. Your rate schedule designation(s) are accepted as shown on the Enclosure.

Under 18 C.F.R. § 385.210, interventions are timely if made within the time prescribed by the Secretary. Under 18 C.F.R. § 385.214, the filing of a timely motion to intervene makes the movant a party to the proceeding, if no answer in opposition is filed within fifteen days. The filing of a timely notice of intervention makes a State Commission a party to the proceeding.

This action does not constitute approval of any service, rate, charge, classification, or any rule, regulation, contract, or practice affecting such rate or service provided for in the filed documents; nor shall such action be deemed as recognition of any claimed contractual right or obligation affecting or relating to such service or rate; and such action is without prejudice to any findings or orders which have been or may hereafter be made by the Commission in any proceeding now pending or hereafter instituted by or against any of the applicant(s).

This order constitutes final agency action. Requests for rehearing by the Commission may be filed within 30 days of the date of issuance of this order, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 385.713.

Sincerely,

Live Michael C. McLaughlin, Director

Division of Corporate Applications

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Natural Gas Trading Corporation
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Rate Schedule Designations
Effective Date: January 1, 2001

Enclosure

Rate Schedule FERC No. 1

Original Sheet No. 1