

APPENDIX II-C

RULEMAKING NOTICE FORM

Notice Number _____

Rule Number _____

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1. Agency Name & Address:

**NH Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit St Suite 10
Concord NH 03301-2429**

2. RSA Authority:

**RSA 369:3; 370:1-9;
374:2,5,8,13 &15; 374:48-
58; 374:7-a; 378:1;
365:8,VII; 362:4-b**

3. Federal Authority:

**49 USC 5121, 60102, 6013-
6014,60117,60118 & 60126;
49 CFR 191,192,193, 198 &
199**

4. Type of Action:

Adoption x

Amendment

Repeal x

Readoption x

Readoption w/amendment x

5. Short Title: **Rules for Gas Service**

6. (a) Summary of what the rule says and the effect of the rule on those regulated:

The rules certain requirements for the operation of gas utilities and gas pipelines. The rules also require certain reporting requirements for gas utilities and certain procedures for the enforcement of the rules, including penalties. These rules establish requirements for the operation of gas utilities, including gas pipeline safety requirements. The proposal represents an adoption of current rules with amendment. The proposal amends the existing rule by allowing meters to be tested by sample; bringing the rules in alignment with the federal standards for the transportation of gas by pipeline; streamlining and eliminating some reporting requirements, and adding some reporting requirements based on the issues that have been brought to the Commission's attention in recent dockets. In addition, the proposal strengthens regulation of liquid petroleum gas (LPG) operations.

6. (b) Brief description of the groups affected:

Gas utilities, gas pipelines and operators of liquid petroleum distribution systems.

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6. (c) Specific section or sections of state statute or federal statute or regulation which the rule is intended to implement:

7. Contact person for copies and questions including requests to accommodate persons with disabilities:

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8. Deadline for submission of materials in writing or, if practicable for the agency, in the electronic format specified: **October 18, 2004**

☒ Fax

☒ E-mail

☐ Other format (specify):

9. Public hearing scheduled for:

Date and Time: **October 6, 2004 @ 10:00 am**

Place: **NH Public Utilities Commission**

21 S. Fruit St Suite 10

Concord NH 03301-2429

10. Fiscal Impact Statement (Prepared by Legislative Budget Assistant)

FIS # 04:164 , dated August 31, 2004

11. Statement Relative to Part I, Article 28-a of the N.H. Constitution: **Although the proposed rules modify an existing program or responsibility, they do not apply to any political subdivision and therefore do not violate Part I, Article 28-a.**