

Service Date: November 1, 1995

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER Of The Application)	UTILITY DIVISION
Of Cenex, Inc. To Establish Initial)	DOCKET NO. D95.8.121
Rates and Tariffs For Front Range)	ORDER NO. 5873
Pipeline.)	

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DEFAULT ORDER GRANTING INITIAL RATE APPLICATION

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On August 24, 1995, the Montana Public Service Commission (PSC) received an Application from Cenex, Inc. (Applicant) for authority to establish initial rates and tariffs for its sixteen inch Front Range Pipeline under construction to transport crude petroleum from Santa Rita, Montana to Laurel, Montana. Cenex anticipates that construction will be completed and transportation will begin by December, 1995. Cenex, Inc. has filed a new tariff (Montana PSC No. 7) proposed to become effective upon completion of construction. The rates are as follows:

FROM	TO	RATE
International Boundary	Cut Bank	\$0.18/barrel
International Boundary	Laurel	\$0.86/barrel
Santa Rita Station	Cut Bank	\$0.15/barrel
Santa Rita Station	Laurel	\$0.68/barrel

2. On September 19, 1995, the PSC issued a Notice of Application and Intervention Deadline, requiring intervention by

October 18, 1995. The PSC has not received any petitions for intervention.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The PSC has jurisdiction over parties and proceedings in this matter, pursuant to Title 69, Chapter 13, Montana Code Annotated.

2. The resulting rates are just and reasonable.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The approved rates shall be effective upon pressurization of the pipeline.

DONE IN OPEN SESSION at Helena, Montana on this 30th day of October, 1995 by a 5-0 vote.

BY THE ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

NANCY McCAFFREE, Chair

DAVE FISHER, Vice Chair

BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner

DANNY OBERG, Commissioner

BOB ROWE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Kathlene M. Anderson
Commission Secretary

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NOTE: Any interested party may request that the Commission reconsider this decision. A motion to reconsider must be filed within ten (10) days. See 38.2.4806, ARM.