

12(c) of the Act and Rules 42, 43, 45, 46 and 51 thereunder.

By Commission order dated February 25, 1994 (HCAR 25993), Columbia and Columbia LNG were authorized through December 31, 1994 to proceed with a recapitalization of Columbia LNG to establish a 100% equity capital structure. To effect this recapitalization, Columbia and Columbia LNG were authorized to have Columbia make a capital contribution to Columbia LNG of up to \$52.0 million, consisting of \$48.1 million of installment promissory notes and short-term debt and up to \$3.9 million of accrued interest to the effective date of the recapitalization, which was estimated to be mid-1994.

On December 21, 1994, Columbia and Columbia LNG proceeded with the recapitalization by having Columbia make a capital contribution of \$52.0 million as described above. However, because the recapitalization was undertaken later than expected due to delays at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in receiving satisfactory certificates authorizing Columbia LNG's new business plan, the amount of accrued interest to the effective date of the recapitalization exceeded the \$3.9 million authorized by \$875,758.

Columbia and Columbia LNG state that the intent of the application-declaration originally filed with the Commission was to obtain authorization to contribute all of the outstanding debt and accrued interest so as to establish a 100% equity capital structure for Columbia LNG. Columbia now proposes to make an additional capital contribution to Columbia LNG which would consist of the remaining accrued interest.

*Columbia Gas System, Inc., et al. (70-8471)*

Columbia Gas System, Inc. ("Columbia"), a registered holding company, seventeen wholly-owned distribution, transmission, exploration and development, and other subsidiary companies,<sup>1</sup> all of which are engaged in

the natural gas business, and twelve subsidiary companies of TriStar Ventures ("TriStar Ventures Subsidiaries"),<sup>2</sup> have filed a post-effective amendment under Sections 6, 7, 9(a), 10, 12(b), 12(c), and 12(f) of the Act and Rules 42, 43, 45, and 46 thereunder.

By order dated December 22, 1994 (HCAR No. 26201) ("Order"), Columbia, and fourteen of the subsidiary companies ("Subsidiaries"),<sup>3</sup> were authorized to recapitalize Columbia Gulf, Columbia Development, and Columbia Coal, to implement the 1995 and 1996 Long-Term and Short-Term Financing Programs of the Subsidiaries, and to continue the Intrasystem Money Pool ("Money Pool") through 1996.

The applicants now seek Commission authorization for the twelve TriStar Ventures Subsidiaries to invest in, but not to borrow from, the Money Pool.

The Order provided that sources of funds for the Subsidiaries will include their internal cash flow and Money Pool borrowings. The Order stated that no external sources are projected to be needed to fund their 1995 and 1996 financing programs while Columbia remains in bankruptcy.

The Order contemplated that the Subsidiaries finance part of their capital expenditure programs with funds generated from internal sources and through short-term borrowings from the Money Pool, to the extent Columbia

subsidiaries have temporary excess funds. The Order authorized the Subsidiaries to borrow short-term funds from the Money Pool in amounts specified therein.

Under the Order, advances from the Money Pool will be limited to a maximum amount outstanding at any one time from January 1, 1995 through December 31, 1996. The Order authorized the Money Pool to be continued through December 31, 1996. It provided for all short-term borrowing to be through the Money Pool, with the Service Corporation as agent. It stipulated that Columbia may invest in the Money Pool but will not borrow from the Money Pool.

The Order contemplated that when Columbia and the subsidiaries generate cash in excess of their immediate cash requirements, such temporary excess cash may be invested in the Money Pool. Columbia and investing subsidiaries would be investors ("Investors") pursuant to a Money Pool evidence of a deposit. Loans to the Subsidiaries ("Borrowers") through the Money Pool will be made pursuant to a short-term grid note. Such short-term grid notes will be due upon demand by the Investors but not later than April 30, 1997. The loans will be allocated to the Investors based on the proportion of their relative investment in the Money Pool.

The Order also contemplated that the cost of money on all short-term advances from, and the investment rate for funds invested in, the Money Pool will be the interest rate per annum equal to its weighted average short-term investment rate. Should there be no Money Pool investments, the cost of money will be the average Federal Funds rate for the prior month published in the Federal Reserve Statistical Release. A default rate equal to 2% per annum above the pre-default rate on unpaid principal or interest amounts will be assessed if any interest or principal payment becomes past due.

*The Southern Company, et al. (70-8563)*

The Southern Company ("Southern"), a registered holding company, and The Southern Development and Investment Group, Inc. ("Development"), wholly owned nonutility subsidiary of Southern, both of 64 Perimeter Center East, Atlanta, Georgia 30346, have filed an application-declaration under sections 9(a), 10 and 12(b) of the Act and rules 45 and 54 thereunder.

Development proposes to invest up to \$5 million from time to time through December 31, 2002 to acquire an interest as a limited partner in EnviroTech Investment Fund I Limited Partnership,

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25302; Columbia Coal Gasification Corp. ("Columbia Coal"), 900 Pennsylvania Avenue, Charleston, West Virginia 25302; Columbia Energy Services Corp. ("Columbia Services"), 2581 Washington Road, Upper Saint Clair, Pennsylvania 15241; Columbia Gas System Service Corp. ("Service Corporation"), 20 Monchanin Road, Wilmington, Delaware 19807; Columbia Propane Corp. ("Columbia Propane"), 800 Moorefield Park Drive, Richmond, Virginia 23236; Commonwealth Propane, Inc. ("Commonwealth Propane"), 800 Moorefield Park Drive, Richmond, Virginia 23236; TriStar Ventures Corp. ("TriStar Ventures"), 20 Monchanin Road, Wilmington, Delaware 19807; TriStar Capital Corp. ("TriStar Capital"), 20 Monchanin Road, Wilmington, Delaware 19807; Columbia Atlantic Trading Corp. ("Columbia Atlantic"), 20 Monchanin Road, Wilmington, Delaware 19807; and Columbia LNG Corp. ("Columbia LNG"), 20 Monchanin Road, Wilmington, Delaware 19807.

<sup>2</sup> TriStar Pedrick Limited Corporation, TriStar Pedrick General Corporation, TriStar Binghamton Limited Corporation, TriStar Binghamton General Corporation, TriStar Vineland Limited Corporation, TriStar Vineland General Corporation, TriStar Rumford Limited Corporation, TriStar Georgetown General Corporation, TriStar Georgetown Limited Corporation, TriStar Fuel Cells Corporation, TVC Nine Corporation, and TVC Ten Corporation, all of 20 Monchanin Road, Wilmington, Delaware 19807.

<sup>3</sup> Columbia Pennsylvania, Columbia Ohio, Columbia Maryland, Columbia Kentucky, Commonwealth Services, Columbia Gulf, Columbia Development, Columbia Resources, Columbia Coal, Service Corporation, Columbia Propane, Commonwealth Propane, TriStar Capital, and Columbia Atlantic.