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**CNG Telecom, Inc. Seeks Commission Determination of "Exempt Telecommunications Company"  
Status Under the Public Utility Holding Company Act  
of 1935, As Amended by Section 103 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996**

DA 96-2081

December 10, 1996

On December 9, 1996, CNG Telecom, Inc., pursuant to Section 34(a)(1) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 ("PUHCA"), as added by Section 103 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-104, filed an application requesting a Commission determination that it is an "exempt telecommunications company" ("ETC"). CNG Telecom intends to become a direct or indirect subsidiary of Consolidated Natural Gas Company, a registered holding company under PUHCA.

Persons wishing to file comments regarding the adequacy or accuracy of CNG Telecom's application requesting status as an ETC must do so no later than **December 26, 1996**. All comments should also be served on the applicant. Reply comments must be filed no later than **January 2, 1997**. All filings concerning any of the matters referenced in this Public Notice should refer to File No. ETC-96-19. The application will be available for public inspection Monday through Friday in Room 658, 1919 M St., N.W., Washington, D.C. Copies may be purchased by calling International Transcription Services, Inc., (ITS) at (202) 857-3800. For further information regarding this application, contact Lawrence Spiwak in the Competition Division of the Office of General Counsel at (202) 418-1870.

By the Chief, Competition Division, Office of General Counsel.