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Lois D. Cashell,  
Secretary.

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[Docket No. PR96-12-000]

**The Montana Power Company; Notice of Petition for Rate Approval**

July 11, 1996.

Take notice that on July 1, 1996, the Montana Power Company (Montana Power) filed a petition for rate approval pursuant to section 284.123(b)(2) of the Commission's regulations, as required by ordering paragraph (D) of the Commission's August 3, 1995 Order in Docket No. PR93-3 [72 FERC ¶ 61,146 (1995)], and ordering paragraph (2) of the Order Denying Petition for Adjustment in Docket No. SA96-1-000, as further extended by the Commission's Notice of Further Extension of Time dated April 25, 1996.

Montana Power states that it is a local distribution company as defined by the NGPA doing business in the State of Montana. Montana Power is requesting that the Commission approve as fair and equitable a maximum monthly demand charge of \$6.7577 per MMBtu and a maximum commodity charge of \$0.0360 per MMBtu for firm off-peak transportation service and a maximum rate of \$0.2670 per MMBtu for interruptible transportation service plus an allowance of 2.56 percent for fuel for services performed under section 311(a)(2) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA). Montana Power proposes an effective date of July 1, 1996.

Pursuant to section 284.123(b)(2)(ii), if the Commission does not act within 150 days of the filing date, the rate will be deemed to be fair and equitable and not in excess of an amount which interstate pipelines would be permitted to charge for similar transportation service. The Commission may, prior to the expiration of the 150 day period, extend the time for action or institute a proceeding to afford parties an opportunity for written comments and for the oral presentation of views, data, and arguments.

Any person desiring to participate in this rate proceeding must file a motion to intervene in accordance with sections 385.211 and 385.214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All motions must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission on or before July 26, 1996. The petition for rate approval is on file with the

Commission and is available for public inspection.

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Secretary.

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[Docket Nos. CP95-52-000 and CP96-610-000]

**Granite State Gas Transmission, Inc.; Notice of Intent To Prepare a Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Granite State LNG Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues**

July 11, 1996.

On January 29, 1996, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the proposed Granite State LNG Project in Docket No. CP95-52-000. However, on June 21, 1996, the Director of the Office of Pipeline Regulation of FERC dismissed the CP95-52-000 application without prejudice to the refiling of Granite State's proposal to change from a baseload to a peakshaving service. The dismissal letter also stated that all of the environmental information would be retained by the FERC staff and that Granite State could incorporate this material by reference if, and when, they file a new application reflecting a peakshaving facility. Subsequently, Granite State Gas Transmission, Inc. (Granite State) filed on application in Docket No. CP96-610-000 to reflect a change in the nature of the service from winter baseload to peakshaving. Granite State submits that the LNG facility proposed in this application is identical to the facility proposed in Docket No. CP95-52-000.

The FERC staff intends to continue preparing a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Granite State LNG project (now in Docket No. CP96-610-000 rather than in CP95-52-000). A new DEIS will not be issued for public comment. The main change to the plant is in pumping requirements for the LNG plant to send out natural gas at a higher pressure. However, if anyone wishes to file additional comments on environmental topics to be addressed in the FEIS as a result of the new application, please follow the instructions below. If you have already submitted comments on the DEIS, you do not need to resubmit them.

- Address your letter to: Lois Cashell, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

- Reference Docket No. CP96-610-000 Docket Nos. CP95-52-000, *et al.*
- Send a copy of your letter to Mr. Chris Zerby, EIS Project Manager, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Room 72-55, Washington, DC 20426; and

- Mail your comments so that they are received in Washington, DC on or before July 26, 1996.

For further information on the EIS process, call Chris Zerby, EIS Project Manager, at (202) 208-0111.

Lois D. Cashell,  
Secretary.

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[Project Nos. 1980-009 *et al.*]

**Hydroelectric Applications [Wisconsin Electric Power Company, *et al.*]; Notice of Applications**

Take notice that the following hydroelectric applications have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection:

1a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* P-1980-009.

c. *Date Filed:* February 27, 1996.

d. *Applicant:* Wisconsin Electric Power Company.

e. *Name of Project:* Big Quinnesec Falls Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Menominee River, in Florence and Marinette Counties, Wisconsin and Dickinson County, Michigan.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. Sections 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Ms. Rita L. Hayen Wisconsin Electric Power Company 231 W. Michigan P.O. Box 2046 Milwaukee, WI 53201-2046.

i. *FERC Contact:* Patti Leppert-Slack (202) 219-2767.

j. *Comment Date:* September 6, 1996.

k. *Status of Environmental Analysis:* This application has been accepted for filing, but is not ready for environmental analysis at this time—see attached standard paragraph E1. The Big Quinnesec Project will be included in the applicant-prepared environmental assessment (APEA) process for the Upper Menominee River Basin Projects.

l. *Description of Project:* The proposed project would consist of the following: (1) an existing reservoir with a surface area of 272 acres and gross storage capacity of 3,790 acre-feet at the normal maximum surface elevation of 1034.9 feet, National Geodetic Vertical Datum; (2) an existing dam, consisting of: (a) a concrete non-overflow section, about 157 feet long, equipped with two

control gates, (b) an intake section, about 96 feet long, (c) a gated spillway section, about 229 feet long, equipped with 7 Taintor gates, (d) a concrete non-overflow section, about 145 feet long, and (e) two earth dikes, with a combined length of about 200 feet; (4) an existing concrete forebay, about 100 feet by 245 feet; (5) two existing 12 foot-diameter steel penstocks, each about 65 feet long; (6) an existing reinforced concrete powerhouse, containing two turbine/generator units, each with a rating of 1,875 kilowatts (kW); (7) two existing 12 foot-diameter steel penstocks, each about 250 feet long; (8) an existing reinforced concrete powerhouse, containing two turbine/generator units, each with a rating of 8,000 kW, providing a total project installed capacity of 19,750 kW; and (9) appurtenant facilities.

m. *Purpose of Project:* Project power is utilized in the applicant's power generation system.

n. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* B1 and E1.

o. *Available Location of Application:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, located at 888 First Street, N.E., Room 2A, Washington, D.C., 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at Wisconsin Electric Power Company, 333 W. Everett Street, Room A265, Milwaukee, WI 53203, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

2a. *Type of Application:* Application to Grant an Easement to East Shores Homeowners Association to Construct a Private Marina.

b. *Project name and No:* Catawba-Wateree Project, FERC Project No. 2232-326.

c. *Date Filed:* June 12, 1996.

d. *Applicant:* Duke Power Company.

e. *Location:* Burke County, North Carolina, East Shores VI Subdivision on Lake, James near Morganton.

f. *Filed pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. § 791(a)-825(r)

g. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. E.M. Oakley Duke Power Company P.O. Box 1006 (EC12Y) Charlotte, NC 28201-1006 (704) 382-5778

h. *FERC Contact:* Brian Romanek, (202) 219-3076.

i. *Comment Date:* August 21, 1996.

j. *Description of the filing:* Application to grant an easement of 0.709 acre of project land to East Shores Homeowners Association to construct a private residential marina consisting of

32 floating boat slips. The proposed marina would provide access to the reservoir for residents of East Shores VI Subdivision. The proposed marina facility would consist of an access ramp and a floating slip facility. The slips would be anchored by using self driving, telescopic piles.

k. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* B, C1, D2.

3a. *Type of Application:* Application to Grant an Easement to Diamondhead Venture to Construct a Private Marina.

b. *Project Name and No:* Catawba-Wateree Project, FERC Project No. 2232-327.

c. *Date Filed:* June 12, 1996.

d. *Applicant:* Duke Power Company.

e. *Location:* Iredell County, North Carolina, Diamondhead Subdivision on Lake Norman near Mooresville.

f. *Filed pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. § 791(a)-825(r).

g. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. E.M. Oakley, Duke Power Company, P.O. Box 1006 (EC12Y), Charlotte, NC 28201-1006, (704) 382-5778.

h. *FERC Contact:* Brian Romanek, (202) 219-3076.

i. *Comment Date:* August 21, 1996.

j. *Description of the filing:* Application to grant an easement of 0.78 acre of project land to Diamondhead Venture to construct a private residential marina consisting of 43 floating boat slips. The proposed marina would provide access to the reservoir for residents of Diamondhead Subdivision. The proposed marina facility would consist of an access ramp and a floating slip facility. The slips would be anchored by using self driving, telescopic piles.

k. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* B, C1, D2.

4a. *Type of Application:* Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 1982-017.

c. *Date filed:* June 24, 1996.

d. *Applicant:* Northern States Power Company—Wisconsin.

e. *Name of Project:* Holcombe Project.

f. *Location:* On the Chippewa River in the Town of Holcombe in Chippewa and Rusk Counties, Wisconsin.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. § 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Anthony G. Schuster, Northern States Power Company, 100 N. Barstow Street, P. O. Box 8, Eau Claire, WI 54702, (715) 839-2401.

i. *FERC Contact:* Julie Bernt (202) 219-2814.

j. *Comment Date:* 60 days from the filing date in paragraph C..

k. *Description of Project:* The existing project would consist of: (1) four earthen embankments that make up the dike system as follows: (a) North Dike located on the north bank of the Chippewa River is 700 feet long with a crest elevation of 1,055 feet; (b) South Dike located on the south bank of the Chippewa River is 200 feet long with a top elevation of 1,055 and is of zoned construction containing a compacted clay and/or silty sand core and a concrete core wall penetrating the compacted earth core; the North Dike and the South Dike make up the Holcombe Dam; (c) Holcombe Dike located 2,000 feet east of Holcombe Dam is 4,600 feet long and protects the town of Holcombe from flooding; and (d) Callahan Dike located 3 miles northeast of Holcombe Dam is 1,900 feet long and prevents the Jump River from bypassing the Holcombe Flowage; (2) an impoundment with a maximum surface area of 4,300 acres, a normal maximum water surface elevation of 1045.0 and 46,000 acre-feet of usable storage; (3) a powerhouse containing 6 generating units with a total rated capacity of 33 MW; (4) a 462-foot-long reinforced and mass concrete spillway equipped with 13, 30-foot-wide steel tainter gates; (5) a substation; and, (6) appurtenant facilities. The average annual energy production is 94,021 MWh. Applicant proposes no modification to the project.

l. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the WISCONSIN STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER (SHPO), as required by § 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR 800.4.

m. Pursuant to Section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than 60 days from the filing date and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

5a. *Type of Application:* Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 11282-001.

c. *Date Filed:* November 21, 1995.

d. *Applicant:* Summit Hydropower, Inc.

e. *Name of Project:* Gainer Dam.

f. *Location:* On the North Branch Pawtuxet River, Town of Scituate, Providence County, Rhode Island.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. §§ 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Duncan S. Broatch, 92 Rocky Hill Road, Woodstock, CT 06281, (860) 974-1620.

i. *FERC Contact:* Charles T. Raabe (202) 219-2811.

j. *Deadline Date:* September 16, 1996.

k. *Status of Environmental Analysis:* This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time—see attached paragraph D7.

l. *Description of Project:* The existing inoperative project would consist of: (1) a 3,500-foot-long, 109-foot-high earthen dam having a 450-foot-long overflow-type spillway at its right (southwest) abutment; (2) a reservoir, known as the Scituate Reservoir, having a 3,400-acre surface area and a 112,270 acre-foot gross storage capacity at spillway crest elevation 283 feet MSL; (3) an intake structure; (4) a powerhouse containing a rehabilitated 1,500-kW generating unit operated at an 82-foot-net head and at a flow of 300 cfs and containing a new 70-kW generating unit operated at an 82-foot-net head and at a flow of 14 cfs; (5) a 400-foot-long tailrace tunnel and a 700-foot-long excavated tailrace; (6) a 500-foot-long underground, 2.3-kV transmission line; (7) a 2.3/23-kV substation (8) a 1.5-mile-long 23-kV transmission line; and (9) appurtenant facilities.

The primary purpose for the existing facilities, owned by the Providence Water Supply Board (PWSB), is water supply for the City of Providence. Applicant estimates that the project average annual generation would be 2,968,000 kWh.

m. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* A2, A9, B1, and D7.

n. *Available Locations of Application:* A copy of the application, as amended and supplemented, is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, located at 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at Summit Hydropower, Inc., 92 Rocky Hill Road, Woodstock, CT 06281.

6a. *Type of Application:* Exemption of Small Conduit Hydroelectric Facility.

b. *Project No.:* 11576-000.

c. *Date filed:* March 29, 1996.

d. *Applicant:* Mojave Water Agency.

e. *Name of Project:* Rock Springs Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Mojave River, near the town of Hesperia, in San Bernardino County, California.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. § 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Lucien G. Hersh, Bechtel, 50 Beale Street, San Francisco, CA 94119-3965.

i. *FERC Contact:* Mr. Michael Strzelecki, (202) 219-2827.

j. *Status of Environmental Analysis:* This application is ready for environmental analysis at this time—see attached paragraph D-4.

k. *Comment date:* Sixty days from the issuance date of this notice.

l. *Description of Project:* The Rock Springs Project would utilize the approximately 25,000 acre-feet of flow annually discharged from the California Aqueduct into the Mojave River at the Morongo Basin pipeline turnout, which is part of the Upper Mojave River Recharge Project. This flow is discharged into the Mojave River to help recharge the groundwater aquifer there.

The project would consist of an 80-foot-long penstock bifurcating from the applicant's existing Morongo Basin pipeline, a powerhouse with a 2.6-MW generating unit, and a 1,600-foot-long tailrace returning water to the Mojave River. The project will tie into Southern California Edison's existing transmission corridor.

m. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* A2, A9, B1, and D4.

n. *Available Locations of Application:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, located at 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the offices of Bechtel Civil, shown in item h above.

7a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* P-1932-004.

c. *Date Filed:* April 29, 1994.

d. *Applicant:* Southern California Edison Company.

e. *Name of Project:* Lytle Creek Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On Lytle Creek in San Bernardino County, California, near the town of Devore. The project is located within the San Bernardino National Forest.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791 (a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* C. Edward Miller, Manager, Hydro Generation, Southern California Edison Company, 2244 Walnut Grove Avenue, P.O. Box 800, Rosemead, CA 91770, (818) 302-1564.

i. *FERC Contact:* Ms. Sabina Joe (202) 219-1648.

j. *Comment Deadline Date:* September 18, 1996.

k. *Status of Environmental Analysis:* This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time. See attached paragraph.

l. *Description of Project:* The proposed Lytle Creek Project consists of: (1) a 3-foot-high, 200-foot-long rubble masonry gravity dam; (2) a concrete intake structure with trashracks and fish screen; (3) a 4.3-mile long flowline system comprised of 13 tunnels, a flume, a concrete pipeline, siphons and surge tanks; (4) a concrete forebay; (5) a 1,546-foot-long steel penstock; (6) a powerhouse containing two generation units with a combined installed capacity of 500 kilowatts; (7) a 906-foot-long tailrace channel; (8) a 12-kV distribution tap; and (9) related facilities.

The average annual generation is about 3.7 gigawatthour (GWH). The hydraulic capacity of the plant is 23.8 cfs. The applicant does not propose to modify project facilities or operations of the Lytle Creek project.

m. *Purpose of Project:* Project power is distributed over the Applicant's distribution system to serve the electrical load needs on its own system.

n. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* B1 and E1.

o. *Available Locations of Applications:* A copy of the application, as amended and supplemented, is available for inspection and reproduction in the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, located at 888 First Street, N.E., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the applicant's office (see item (h) above).

8a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* P-1933-010.

c. *Date Filed:* April 29, 1994.

d. *Applicant:* Southern California Edison Company (SCE).

e. *Name of Project:* Santa Ana River 1 and 2 Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Santa Ana River in San Bernardino County, near the town of Mentone. The project is located within the San Bernardino National Forest.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791 (a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* C. Edward Miller, Manager, Hydro Generation, Southern California Edison Company, 2244 Walnut Grove Avenue, P.O. Box 800, Rosemead, CA 91770, (818) 302-1564.

i. *FERC Contact:* Ms. Sabina Joe (202) 219-1648.

j. *Comment Deadline Date:* September 18, 1996.

k. *Status of Environmental Analysis:* This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time. See attached paragraph.

l. *Description of Project:* The proposed project consists of two independent water conveyance and generation systems on the Santa Ana River.

Santa Ana 1 Project (SAR1) consists of: (1) a 6-foot-high, 40-foot-long dam on the Santa Ana River; (2) a 5-foot-high, 29-foot-long rubble concrete diversion dam on Bear Creek; (3) an intake/diversion structure on Breakneck Creek; (4) a 48-inch-diameter, 125-foot-long steel pipe carrying water; (5) a concrete lined sand box; (6) a 3-mile-long flowline comprised of 11,990 feet of tunnel, 851 feet of pipe in tunnel and 125 feet of steel conduit; (7) a 12 acre-foot concrete forebay; (8) two 3,111 foot-long steel penstocks; (9) a powerhouse containing 4 generating units (3,200 kw); (10) a concrete lined tailrace; (11) a 33-kv transmission line.

The average annual generation of SAR1 is about 13 gigawatt-hour (GWH). The hydraulic capacity of the plant is 93.3 cfs. The applicant does not propose to modify project facilities or operations of SAR1.

The proposed Santa Ana 2 Project (SAR2) consists of: (1) two intake structures; (2) a diversion and intake structure on Alder and Keller Creeks; (3) a 1.5 mile long flowline system comprised of 7,207 feet of tunnel, flumes, pipelines and 707 feet of siphon; (4) a 900 cfs concrete forebay; (5) a 644 foot long, 36 inch diameter steel penstock; (6) a powerhouse containing 2 generating units (800 kW); (7) a tailrace channel; (8) transmission distribution.

The average annual generation of SAR2 is about 6 GWH. The hydraulic capacity of the plant is 82.6 cfs.

The SAR2 system is linked to the upstream facilities, receiving water from the SAR1 powerhouse tailrace as well as from other sources. Water exiting the SAR2 powerhouse is immediately delivered into the flowline of the Santa Ana No. 3 (SAR3)<sup>1</sup> project located downstream of the SAR2 system.

SCE proposes to make two modifications to facilities and operations of the SAR 1 and 2 project: (1) The applicant proposes to release a minimum flow of 4 cfs from the SAR1 intake structure to enhance environmental resources (e.g., fish habitat and riparian plant communities)

within the SAR1 bypass reach; and (2) the applicant proposes to relocate the SAR2 powerhouse and pressurize the SAR3 flowline. The powerhouse relocation is necessary to avoid inundation following construction of the Seven Oaks Dam; the flume must be pressurized to withstand inundation. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, in conjunction with local sponsors, is constructing the dam for flood control purposes in the Santa Ana River Canyon about one mile downstream of the SAR2 powerhouse.

m. *Purpose of Project:* Project power is distributed over the Applicant's distribution system to serve the electrical load needs on its own system.

n. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* B1 and E1.

o. *Available Locations of Applications:* A copy of the application, as amended and supplemented, is available for inspection and reproduction in the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the applicant's office (see item (h) above).

9a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* P-1934-010.

c. *Date Filed:* April 29, 1994.

d. *Applicant:* Southern California Edison Company.

e. *Name of Project:* Mill Creek 2/3 Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On Mill Creek in San Bernardino County, California, near the town of Yucaipa. The project is located within the San Bernardino National Forest.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* C. Edward Miller, Manager, Hydro Generation, Southern California Edison Company, 2244 Walnut Grove Avenue, P.O. Box 800, Rosemead, CA 91770, (818) 302-1564.

i. *FERC Contact:* Ms. Sabina Joe, (202) 219-1648.

j. *Comment Deadline Date:* September 18, 1996.

k. *Status of Environmental Analysis:* This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time. See attached paragraph.

l. *Description of Project:* The proposed project consists of two independent water conveyance and generation systems on the Mill Creek.

Mill Creek No. 2 consists of: (1) the Mountain Home Creek diversion dam, a

3-foot-high, 42-foot-long, rubble-concrete weir with a crest elevation of 3,626 feet; (2) the Mill 2 River Pick-up, a 2-foot-high, 34-foot-long, rubble-concrete structure, with a crest elevation of 3,593 feet; (3) a concrete intake structure with trashracks, fishscreens and overflow pipe; (4) a 2.9 mile long flowline system comprised of 14,971 feet of concrete pipeline and 479 feet of flume; (5) a 600 cubic feet concrete lined forebay; (6) an 18-inch-diameter, 1,411 feet steel penstock; (7) a powerhouse containing 1 generating unit (capacity 250-KW); and (8) other appurtenant structures.

The Mill Creek Number 3 system consists of: (1) a 7-foot-high, 80-foot-long rubble concrete diversion dam, crest elevation 4,928 feet; (2) an intake structure with steel debris grid and fish wheel; (3) a 5.4-mile-long flowline comprised of 24,800 feet of flume and 3,607 feet of siphon; (4) a concrete sand box; (5) an 8,120-foot-long steel penstock; (6) a powerhouse containing 4 generating units (3,000 KW); (7) a 12 KV transmission line; and (8) other appurtenant structures.

The average annual combined generation of the Mill Creek 2/3 Hydroelectric project is about 14,103,000 kWh. Hydraulic capacity of the Mill Creek 2 plant is 8.8 cfs; the hydraulic capacity of the Mill Creek 3 plant is 24.4 cfs.

The applicant proposes to discontinue use of the Mill Creek No. 2 flowline but not to surrender the Mill Creek Number 2 system. As a result, the Mill Creek No. 2 diversion structures will no longer divert water into the Mill Creek No. 2 flowline.

m. *Purpose of Project:* Project power is distributed over the Applicant's distribution system to serve the electrical load needs on its own system.

n. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* B1 and E1.

o. *Available Locations of Applications:* A copy of the application, as amended and supplemented, is available for inspection and reproduction in the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the applicant's office (see item (h) above).

10a. *Type of Application:* Subsequent Minor License.

b. *Project No.:* P-11583-000.

c. *Date Filed:* June 28, 1996.

d. *Applicant:* Franklin Hydro, Inc.

e. *Name of Project:* Hoosick Falls Hydro Project.

<sup>1</sup> The Santa Ana River Number 3 Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 2198) is not considered in this proceeding.

f. *Location:* On the Hoosic River in Rensselaer County, near Hoosick, New York.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. §§ 791 (a)–825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Frank O. Christie, 8 East Main Street, Malone, NY 12953, (518) 483–1945.

i. *FERC Contact:* Ed Lee (202) 219–2809.

j. *Comment Date:* Within 60 days of the filing date.

k. *Description of Project:* The existing project would consist of: (1) an existing 16-foot-high and 149.5-foot-long dam; (2) an existing 16-acre reservoir; (3) a powerhouse containing two generating units for a total installed capacity of 1050 kW; (4) a 500-foot-long transmission line; and (5) appurtenant facilities. The applicant estimates that the total average annual generation would be 3,700 MWh for the project.

l. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the New York State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), as required by § 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36, CFR 800.4.

m. Pursuant to Section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than 60 days from the filing date and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

11a. *Type of Application:* Minor License.

b. *Project No.:* 11530–000.

c. *Date filed:* April 5, 1995.

d. *Applicant:* Mitchell County, Iowa.

e. *Name of Project:* Mitchell Mill Dam.

f. *Location:* On the Cedar River near Mitchell in Mitchell County, Iowa.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. § 791(a)–825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Milton R. Owen, 415 Lime Kiln Road, Osage, IA 50461, (515) 732–5204.

i. *FERC Contact:* Julie Bernt (202) 219–2814.

j. *Deadline Date:* See paragraph D9.

k. *Status of Environmental Analysis:* This application is ready for environmental analysis at this time—see attached paragraph D9.

l. *Description of Project:* The proposed project consists of: (1) an existing 195-foot-wide concrete dam; (2) a 120-acre natural impoundment; (3) two existing intake structures, one 19 feet

wide and one 15 feet wide; (4) a 125-foot-wide concrete spillway; (5) an existing powerhouse containing two generating units with a total rated capacity of 900 kW; (6) an existing 220-foot-long transmission line; and, (7) appurtenant facilities. The applicant estimates that the total average annual generation would be 2,829,335 kWh. The cost of restoration would be \$600,000. The project site is owned by Mitchell County.

m. *Purpose of Project:* Power produced would be sold to a local power company.

n. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* A4 and D9.

o. *Available Locations of Application:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch located at 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208–1371. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the offices of the applicant.

A2. *Development Application*—Any qualified applicant desiring to file a competing application must submit to the Commission, on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application, a competing development application, or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing development application no later than 120 days after the specified deadline date for the particular application. Applications for preliminary permits will not be accepted in response to this notice.

A4. *Development Application*—Public notice of the filing of the initial development application, which has already been given, established the due date for filing competing applications or notices of intent. Under the Commission's regulations, any competing development application must be filed in response to and in compliance with public notice of the initial development application. No competing applications or notices of intent may be filed in response to this notice.

A9. *Notice of intent*—A notice of intent must specify the exact name, business address, and telephone number of the prospective applicant, and must include an unequivocal statement of intent to submit, if such an application may be filed, either a preliminary permit application or a development application (specify which type of application). A notice of intent must be

served on the applicant(s) named in this public notice.

B. *Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene*—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

B1. *Protests or Motions to Intervene*—Anyone may submit a protest or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, and 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

C1. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents*—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTEST", OR "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

D2. *Agency Comments*—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

D4. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents*—The application is ready for environmental analysis at this time,

and the Commission is requesting comments, reply comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions.

The Commission directs, pursuant to section 4.34(b) of the regulations (see Order No. 533 issued May 8, 1991, 56 FR 23108, May 20, 1991) that all comments, recommendations, terms and conditions and prescriptions concerning the application be filed with the Commission within 60 days from the issuance date of this notice (September 9, 1996 for Project No. 11576-000). All reply comments must be filed with the Commission within 105 days from the date of this notice (October 21, 1996 for Project No. 11576-000).

Anyone may obtain an extension of time for these deadlines from the Commission only upon a showing of good cause or extraordinary circumstances in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2008. All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST," "MOTION TO INTERVENE," "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION," "COMPETING APPLICATION," "COMMENTS," "REPLY COMMENTS," "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRESCRIPTIONS;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies required by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Project Review, Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

D7. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time; therefore, the Commission is not now requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

When the application is ready for environmental analysis, the Commission will issue a public notice requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST" or "MOTION TO INTERVENE," "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION," or "COMPETING APPLICATION;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies required by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Project Review, Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application.

D9. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—The application is ready for environmental analysis at this time, and the Commission is requesting comments, reply comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions.

The Commission directs, pursuant to section 4.34(b) of the regulations (see Order No. 533 issued May 8, 1991, 56 FR 23108, May 20, 1991) that all comments, recommendations, terms and conditions and prescriptions concerning the application be filed with the Commission within 60 days from the issuance date of this notice (September 9, 1996 for Project No. 11530). All reply comments must be filed with the Commission within 105 days from the date of this notice (October 23, 1996 for Project No. 11530).

Anyone may obtain an extension of time for these deadlines from the Commission only upon a showing of good cause or extraordinary circumstances in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2008.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "REPLY COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRESCRIPTIONS;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies required by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Project Review, Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. Each filing must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed on the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b), and 385.2010.

E1. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time; therefore, the Commission is not now requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

When the application is ready for environmental analysis, the Commission will issue a public notice requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST" or "MOTION TO INTERVENE;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies required by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Project Review, Office of Hydropower

Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application.

#### Standard Paragraphs

Dated: July 11, 1996, Washington, D.C.  
Lois D. Cashell,  
Secretary.  
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[Docket No. CP96-609-000, et al.]

#### Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation, et al.; Natural Gas Certificate Filings

July 10, 1996.

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

#### 1. Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation

[Docket No. CP96-609-000]

Take notice that on June 28, 1996, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), 1700 MacCorkle Avenue, S.E., Charleston, West Virginia 25314-1599, filed in Docket No. CP96-609-000 an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act for permission and approval to abandon a transportation service for Johns-Manville Sales Corporation (J-M), all as more fully set forth in the application on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Columbia proposes to abandon the service, which was carried out under an agreement on file with the Commission as Columbia's Rate Schedules X-127 and authorized by the Commission in Docket No. CP85-184-000. It is stated that Columbia was purchasing natural gas from J-M at interconnections with J-M's wells in Guernsey, Noble and Muskingum Counties, Ohio, with a provision for J-M to retain 25 percent of the gas being purchased. Columbia was transporting the remainder to J-M's fiberglass manufacturing plant in Waterville, Ohio, with the deliveries being effected by Waterville Gas Company, the distributor, which is also a party to the agreement. Columbia states that it will cancel Rate Schedule X-127 on receipt of abandonment authorization. It is explained that no facilities will be abandoned, and no customers will lose service as a result of the proposed abandonment.

*Comment date:* July 31, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph F at the end of this notice.

#### 2. Great Lakes Gas Transmission Limited Partnership

[Docket No. CP96-615-000]

Take notice that on July 2, 1996, Great Lakes Gas Transmission Limited Partnership (Great Lakes), One Woodward Avenue, Suite 1600, Detroit Michigan 48226, filed in Docket No. CP96-615-000 an abbreviated application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), as amended, and Sections 157.7 and 157.18 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Regulations thereunder, for permission and approval to abandon a natural gas transportation service for ANR Pipeline Company (AIR), all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Great Lakes states that it proposes to abandon a transportation service for ANR originally certificated in Docket No. CP74-317 and performed under Great Lakes' Rate Schedule T-6. Great Lakes asserts that it currently transports gas under Rate Schedule T-6 for ANR from an interconnection between AIR's and Great Lakes' pipelines near Farwell, Michigan (Farwell Interconnection) to two interconnections between the two companies in St. Clair County, Michigan (Capac and Muttonville Interconnections). It is indicated that Great Lakes' current service for ANR under Rate Schedule T-6 is provided by Great Lakes during ANR's summer storage injection cycles related to AIR's Capac and Muttonville storage fields.

Great Lakes asserts that by ANR's letter date April 1, 1996, ANR has provided written notice to Great Lakes of its desire to cancel service under Rate Schedule T-6 effective April 1, 1997. Great Lakes states that it requests abandonment authorization effective on such date. It is indicated that no facilities are proposed to be abandoned.

*Comment date:* July 31, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph F at end of this notice

#### 3. Northern Natural Gas Company

[Docket No. CP96-617-000]

Take notice that on July 2, 1996, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124-1000, filed in Docket No. CP96-617-000 a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.216) for authorization to: (1) Abandon and remove two town border stations (TBS'), including appurtenant facilities, located in Mills and Story Counties, Iowa; and

(2) abandon in-place one TBS, including appurtenant facilities and approximately 2,000 feet of 2-inch-diameter branchline NEB-52401 (known as the Roberts Dairy TBS branchline), located in Douglas County, Nebraska under Northern's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-401-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, Northern proposes to abandon and remove two TBS' and abandon in-place one TBS and approximately 2,000 feet of branchline described as follows:

TBS/Branchline	Location	Utility
Glenwood 1A TBS.	Section 2, T72N, R43W in Mills County, IA.	Utilicorp United, Inc.
Nevada TBS #2	Section 35, T84N, R23W in Story County, IA.	IES Industries, Inc.
Waterloo #2 TBS and the Roberts Dairy TBS branchline..	Section 4, T15N, R10E in Douglas County, NE.	Utilicorp United, Inc.

Northern states that the facilities to be abandoned are jurisdictional facilities under the NGA and were constructed pursuant to superseded 2.55 regulations, budget or blanket authority depending on the year the facilities were originally placed in-service.

Northern also states that it has been advised by the above utilities that gas service downstream of the TBS' described above has been discontinued and that the TBS' and appurtenant facilities may be removed. Northern states that it has determined that no other use exists for the facilities proposed to be abandoned herein.

*Comment date:* August 26, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph G at the end of this notice.

#### 4. Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company

[Docket No. CP96-618-000]

Take notice that on July 3, 1996, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company (Tennessee), P.O. Box 2511, Houston, Texas 77252, filed in Docket No. CP96-615-000, a request pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 157.212) for authorization to install a new delivery point located in McNairy