

inch diameter four-blade vertical Kaplan turbines with rated head of 28 feet and rated output of 4,370 horsepower operating at 150 rpm; (9) five vertical Allis Chalmers synchronous generators operating at 150 rpm with power factor of 0.8 rated at 3,750 KVA; (10) a switchyard containing two 4.2/69 Kv power transformers rated at 15 MVA; (11) accessory equipment including a 34-ton overhead traveling crane in the powerhouse, two gantry cranes, a compressed air system, spillway bubbler system, and a battery bank; and (12) three parcels of land owned by the United States comprising a total of 3.71 acres.

m. Purpose of Project: Project power would be provided to CWPCo, WPSC, and WP&L; who would either use the power or utilize it for sale to their customers.

n. This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs: A4 and D10.

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 Richard L. Hilliker, President, Wisconsin River Power Company, P.O. Box 8050, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495-8050, (715) 422-3722.

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 the public notice of the initial development application. No competing applications or notices of intent may be filed in response to this notice.

D10. 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 Fed. Reg. 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 issuance date of this notice. All reply comments must be filed with the

Commission within 105 days from the date of this notice.

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 and 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: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to: Director, Division of Licensing and Compliance, 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 in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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### Notice of Application Ready for Environmental Analysis

December 31, 1996.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. Type of Application: Minor License.

b. Project No.: P-11428-000.

c. Date Filed: August 5, 1993.

d. Applicant: The City of St. Louis, Michigan.

e. Name of Project: Municipal Dam Hydro Project.

f. Location: On the Pine River, in The City of St. Louis, Gratiot County, Michigan.

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

h. Applicant Contact: Nancy Roehrs, 108 West Saginaw Street, St. Louis, MI 48880, (517) 681-2137.

i. FERC Contact: Ed Lee, (202) 219-2809.

j. Deadline Date: See paragraph D9.

k. Status of Environmental Analysis: This application has been accepted for filing and is ready for environmental analysis at this time—see attached paragraph D9.

l. Description of Project: The existing project consists of the following: (1) A 21-foot-high, 126-foot-long reinforced concrete dam surmounted by six 19-foot-wide, 8-foot-high radial gates; (2) a 60-foot-long left embankment, 55-foot-long center embankment, and 250-foot-long right embankment; (3) a 1,575-acre-foot reservoir at a normal water surface elevation of 719 feet; (4) a gated 18-foot-wide, 12-foot-deep intake flume; (5) a powerhouse containing two generating units rated at 225-kW for a total installed capacity of 450-kW; (6) a tailrace; (7) a short 2400-volt transmission line; and (8) appurtenant electric and mechanical facilities. The applicant estimates the average annual generation for this project would be 1,599 MWh. The dam and existing project facilities are owned by the applicant.

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

n. Available Location 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., Room 2A-1, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-2326. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the City of St. Louis, 108 Saginaw Street, St. Louis, MI 48880, or by calling (517) 681-2137.

o. Scoping Process: In gathering background information for preparation of the environmental document for the issuance of a Federal hydropower license, staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, is using a scoping process to identify significant environmental issues related to the construction and operation or the continued operation of hydropower projects. The staff will review all issues raised during the scoping process and identify issues deserving of study and also deemphasize insignificant issues, narrowing the scope of the environmental analysis as well. If preliminary analysis indicates that any issues presented in the scoping process would have little potential for causing significant impacts, the issue or issues

will be identified and the reasons for not providing a more detailed analysis will be given.

p. Request for Scoping Comments: Federal, state, and local resource agencies; licensees, applicants and developers; Indian tribes; other interested groups and individuals, are requested to forward to the Commission, any information that they believe will assist the Commission staff in conducting an accurate and thorough analysis of the site-specific and cumulative environmental effects of the proposed licensing activities of the project(s). Therefore you are requested to provide information related to the following items:

- Information, data, maps or professional opinion that may contribute to defining the geographical and temporal scope of the analysis and identifying significant environmental issues.
- Identification of and information from any other EIS or similar study (previous, on-going, or planned) relevant to the proposed licensing activities in the subject river basin.
- Existing information and any data that would aid in describing the past and present effects of the project(s) and other developmental activities on the physical/chemical, biological, and socioeconomic environments. For example, fish stocking/management histories in the subject river, historic river quality data and the reasons for improvement or degradation of the quality, and wetland habitat loss or proposals to develop land and water resources within the basin.
- Identification of any federal, state or local resource plans and future project proposals that encompass the subject river or basin. For example, proposals to construct or operate water treatment facilities, recreation areas, or implement fishery management programs.
- Documentation that would support a conclusion that the project(s) *does not* contribute, or *does* contribute to adverse and beneficial cumulative effects on resources and therefore should be excluded from further study or excluded from further consideration of cumulative impacts within the river basin. Documentation should include, but not be limited to: how the project(s) interact with other projects within the river basin or other developmental activities; results from studies; resource management policies; and, reports from federal, state, and local agencies.

Comments concerning the scope of the environmental document should be filed by the deadline established in paragraph D9.

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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.

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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, NE., Washington, DC 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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## Notice of Application Ready for Environmental Analysis

December 31, 1996.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

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

b. *Project No.*: 11162-002.

c. *Date filed*: April 18, 1994.

d. *Applicant*: Wisconsin Power and Light Company.

e. *Name of Project*: Prairie du Sac Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location*: On the Wisconsin River in Dane, Sauk, and Columbia Counties, Wisconsin.

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

h. *Applicant Contact*: Norman E. Boys, Vice President, Power Production, Wisconsin Power and Light Company, P.O. Box 192, 222 West Washington Avenue, Madison, WI 53701-0192, (608) 252-3311.

i. *FERC Contact*: Frank Karwoski at (202) 219-2782.

j. *Deadline Date*: See standard paragraph D10.

k. *Status of Environmental Analysis*: This application has been accepted for filing and is ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. *Description of Project*: The 29-MW Prairie du Sac Hydroelectric Project provides average annual generation of 151,800 MWh when operated in run-of-river mode. Wisconsin Power & Light Company has operated the project in a run-of-river mode since 1978 and proposes to continue this mode of operation.

The project consists of: (1) a reservoir with a normal surface area of 9,180 acres and a storage volume of 119,950 acre-feet at the normal operating water surface elevation of 744.4 feet NGVD; (2) an east dike which is 1,775 feet long with an average height of 20 feet and top width of 8 feet at a crest elevation of 781.0 feet NGVD, and side slopes of 2H:1V, constructed of sand with a clay core wall having a top width of 3 feet at elevation 770.4 feet NGVD; (3) a 1,010-foot-long concrete hollow ogee spillway supported on piles with a crest elevation of 760.4 feet NGVD, 41 radial