

reinstate the antitrust defense under section 252 of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (EPCA), the following meeting notice is provided, in accordance with section 252(c)(1)(A)(I) of the EPCA:

A meeting of the Industry Advisory Board (IAB) to the International Energy Agency (IEA) will be held on May 15, 1998, at the headquarters of the IEA, 9, rue de la Fédération, Paris, France, beginning at approximately 9:30 a.m. The purpose of this meeting is to permit attendance by representatives of U.S. company members of the IAB at a meeting of the IEA's Standing Group on Emergency Questions (SEQ) which is scheduled to be held at the IEA's headquarters on May 15, including a preparatory encounter among company representatives from approximately 9:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. The agenda for the preparatory encounter among company representatives is to elicit views regarding items on the agenda for the SEQ meeting. The SEQ's agenda is under the control of the SEQ. It is expected the SEQ will adopt the following agenda:

1. Adoption of the Agenda
2. Approval of the Summary Record of the 91st Meeting
3. SEQ Work Program
 - The 1998 SEQ Work Program
 - The 1999 SEQ Work Program
 - Preparations for Emergency Response Exercise 1998
4. Policy and Legislative Developments in Member Countries
 - U.S. Energy Policy and Conservation Act (EPCA)
 - Report on U.S. Department of Energy's National Energy Strategy
 - Other Country Developments
5. Emergency Response Reviews of IEA Countries
 - Netherlands
 - Switzerland
 - Italy
 - Updated Schedule of Reviews
6. Transport Sector Oil Security Issues and Prospects
 - Road Vehicles for the Future
7. Emergency Reserve Situation of IEA Countries
 - Emergency Reserve and Net Import Situation of IEA Countries on October 1, 1997
 - Emergency Reserve and Net Import Situation of IEA Countries on January 1, 1998
 - Progress Report on Compliance with IEA Stockholding Commitments
8. Emergency Response Issues in IEA candidate countries
 - Emergency Reserve Situation of IEA Candidate Countries
 - Report on Data Reporting by Candidate Countries
9. Emergency Data System and Related Questions
 - Base Period Final Consumption Q197–Q497

- Monthly Oil Statistics (MOS) December 1997
- MOS January 1998
- MOS February 1998
- Monthly Oil Data Diskette Service (MODS)
- Quarterly Oil Forecast Q398
- Emergency Management Manual (improved format)
- Emergency Reference Guide
- 10. IEA/ASCOPE Workshop on Asian Energy Security
- 11. Implementation of IEA Security Rules
- 12. Any Other Business
 - Oral Report on the May 14 Seminar on the Effects of the Oil Price Drop
 - Update on use of Internet for SEQ documents and communications
 - Workshop in Brazil on Enhancing Oil Sector Energy Security

As provided in section 252(c)(1)(A)(ii) of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6272(c)(1)(A)(ii)), this meeting is open only to representatives of members of the IAB and their counsel, representatives of members of the SEQ, representatives of the Departments of Energy, Justice, and State, the Federal Trade Commission, the General Accounting Office, Committees of the Congress, the IEA, and the European Commission, and invitees of the IAB, the SEQ, or the IEA.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project Nos. 2927–004 and 2928–004]

Aquamac Corporation and Merrimac Paper Company Inc.; Notice of Intent To Conduct Public Scoping Meetings and Site Visit

May 4, 1998.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC), received an application from the Aquamac Corporation (Aquamac) to relicense the Aquamac Hydroelectric Project No. 2927–004. This 250 kilowatt project is located on the Merrimack River in the City of Lawrence in Essex County, Massachusetts. The Commission also received an application from the Merrimac Paper Company, Inc. (Merrimac), to relicense the Merrimac Hydroelectric Project No. 2928–004. This 1,250 kilowatt project is also located on the Merrimack River in the City of Lawrence in Essex County, Massachusetts. The Commission will hold public and agency scoping meetings on May 18 and 19, 1998, respectively, for preparation of a

Multiple Project Environmental Assessment (MPEA) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), for the issuance of minor licenses for the projects.

Scoping Meetings

FERC staff will conduct one evening scoping meeting and one day scoping meeting. The day scoping meeting will focus on resource agency and non-governmental organization (NGO) concerns, while the evening scoping meeting is primarily for public input. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend one or both of the meetings, and to assist the staff in identifying the scope of the environmental issues that will be analyzed in the MPEA. The times and locations of these meetings are as follows:

Evening Scoping Meeting

Date: Monday, May 18, 1998.

Time: From 7:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m.

Place: Merrimac Paper Company

Conference Room.

Address: 9 South Canal Street, Lawrence, Massachusetts.

Day Scoping Meeting

Date: Tuesday, May 19, 1998.

Time: From 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Place: Merrimac Paper Company

Conference Room.

Address: 9 South Canal Street, Lawrence, Massachusetts.

To help focus discussions, we will distribute a Scoping Document (SD1) outlining the subject areas to be addressed at the meeting to the parties on the Commission's mailing list. Copies of the SD1 also will be available at the scoping meetings.

Site Visits

The Applicant and FERC staff will conduct a project site visit beginning at 1:00 p.m. on May 18, 1998. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend. All participants should meet at the Merrimac Paper Company office at 9 South Canal Street in Lawrence. All participants are responsible for their own transportation to the site. Anyone with questions about the site visit should contact Mr. Ed Roux of Merrimac Paper at (978) 683–2754.

Objectives

At the scoping meetings, the staff will: (1) summarize the environmental issues tentatively identified for analysis in the MPEA; (2) solicit from meeting participants all available information, especially quantifiable data, on the resources at issue; (3) encourage

statements from experts and the public on issues that should be analyzed in the MPEA, including viewpoints in opposition to, or in support of, the staff's preliminary views; (4) determine the relative depth of analysis for issues to be addressed in the MPEA; and (5) identify resource issues that are of lesser importance, and therefore, do not require detailed analysis.

Procedures

The meetings will be recorded by a stenographer and will become part of the formal record of the Commission proceedings on the project. Individuals presenting statements at the meetings will be asked to sign in before the meeting starts and to clearly identify themselves for the record. Speaking time for attendees at the meetings may be determined before the meeting, based on the number of persons wishing to speak and the approximate amount of time available for the session. All speakers will be provided at least 5 minutes to present their views.

Individuals, organizations, and agencies with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the meetings and to assist the staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in the MPEA.

Persons choosing not to speak at the meetings, but who have views on the issues, may submit written statements for inclusion in the public record at the meeting. In addition, written scoping comments may be filed with the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, until June 22, 1998. All filings should contain an original and eight copies, and must clearly show at the top of the first page "Aquamac Hydroelectric Project FERC No. 2927-004"; "Merrimac Hydroelectric Project FERC No. 2928-004"; or both.

For further information, please contact Tim Berry at (202) 219-2790 or Timothy.Berry@FERC.fed.us.

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Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. QF94-160-004]

Cherokee County Cogeneration Partners, L.P.; Notice of Amendment To Filing

May 4, 1998.

Take notice that on April 17, 1998, Cherokee County Cogeneration Partners, L.P. (applicant), tendered for filing a supplement to its filing in this docket. No determination has been made that the submittal constitutes a complete filing.

The supplement pertains to the ownership structure of the facility.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All motion and protest should be filed by May 18, 1998, and must be served on the applicant. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER98-2623-000]

Cook Inlet Energy Supply Limited Partnership; Notice of Filing

May 4, 1998.

Take notice that on April 21, 1998, Cook Inlet Energy Supply Limited Partnership (Cook Inlet), in compliance with the Commission's July 10, 1996, Letter Order approving its market-based rate schedule, submitted for filing a Notification of Change in Status. The Cook Inlet filing describes the development of wind energy projects by affiliates of Cook Inlet and concludes that these transactions do not alter the characteristics that the Commission

relied upon in approving the market-based pricing for Cook Inlet.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before May 15, 1998. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EG98-70-000]

Duke Energy Morro Bay LLC; Notice of Application for Commission Determination of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status

May 4, 1998.

Take notice that on April 24, 1998, Duke Energy Morro Bay LLC (Morro Bay), filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) an application for determination of exempt wholesale generator status pursuant to Part 365 of the Commission's Regulations.

Morro Bay is a Delaware limited liability corporation and an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Duke Energy Corporation. Morro Bay's facility consists of four natural gas-fired generating units with a combined generating capacity of 1,002 MW. Morro Bay states that prior to its purchase of the facility from Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E), the facility was part of PG&E's integrated system. Therefore, a rate or charge in connection with this facility was in effect under the laws of California on October 24, 1992. On December 16, 1997, the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California (CPUC), issued an interim opinion which concluded that allowing the facility to be an exempt wholesale generator within the meaning of PUHCA would be in the public interest,