County, Montana, all as more fully set forth in the application on file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) and open to public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm (call 202–208–2222 for assistance).

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before May 21, 1999, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the Protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the NGA and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this application if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company to appear or be represented at the hearing.

### David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP97-315-000 et al; CP97-319-000; CP98-200-000; CP98-540-000]

Independence Pipeline Company; ANR Pipeline Company; National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation; Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Additional Public Meetings in New Jersey on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Independence Pipeline and Market Link Expansion Projects

April 30, 1999.

At the request of Congressmen William Pascrell and Rodney Frelinghuysen of New Jersey, the staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will hold two additional meetings to receive oral comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) of the Independence Pipeline and Market Link Expansion Projects, as referenced in the above dockets.

The time and locations of the meetings are listed below:

## Nutley, New Jersey: May 24, 1999, 8:00 p.m.

Franklin Middle School, 325 Franklin Avenue, Nutley, New Jersey 07011, (973) 661–8871

## Chatham, New Jersey: May 25, 1999, 7:00 p.m.

Chatham Middle School, 480 Main Street, Chatham, New Jersey 07928, (973) 635–7200

Interested groups and individuals are encouraged to attend and present oral comments on the DEIS. Transcripts of the meetings will be prepared.

Additional information about the proposed projects is available from Paul McKee in the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (202) 208–1088; or may be viewed on the web at http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm (call 202–208–2222 for assistance). Access to texts of formal documents issued by the Commission with regards to these dockets, such as orders and notices, is also available on the FERC website using the "CIPS" link. For assistance with access to CIPS, the CIPS Help line can be reached at (202) 208–2474.

### David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

# Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests

April 30, 1999.

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

- a. *Type of Application:* Preliminary Permit.
  - b. Project No.: P-11684-000.
  - c. Date Filed: February 19, 1999.
  - d. Applicant: Simplicity Hydro.
- e. *Name of Project:* Taylorsville Lake Project.
- f. Location: At the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Taylorsville Dam on the Salt River, near the Town of Taylorsville, Spencer County, Kentucky.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. §§ 791(a)–825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact*: Mr. David Brown Kinloch, Soft Energy Associates, 414 S. Wenzel Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40204, (502) 589–0975.
- i. *FERC Contact*: Ed Lee (202) 219–2808 or E-mail address at Ed.Lee@FERC.fed.us.
- j. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protest*: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. Description of Project: The proposed project would utilize the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Taylorsville Dam and Reservoir, and would consist of the following facilities: (1) three new submersible generating units to be located in the existing intake tower for an installed capacity of 1.135 megawatts; (2) a new 12.5-kilovolt transmission line; and (3) appurtenant facilities. The proposed average annual generation is estimated to be 6

gigawatthours. The cost of the studies under the permit will not exceed \$5,000. All project generation would be sold to a local utility.

m. A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference ad Files Maintenance Branch, located at 888 First Street, N.E., Room 2-A, Washington, D.C. 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at Simplicity Hydro, David Brown Kinlock, 414 S. Wenzel Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40204, (502) 589-0975. A copy of the application may also be viewed or printed by accessing the Commission's website on the Internet at http://www.ferc.fed.us/ online/rims.htm or call (202) 208-2222 for assistance.

n. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

Preliminary Permit—Anyone desiring to file a competing application for preliminary permit for a proposed project must submit the competing application itself, or a notice of intent to file such an application, to the Commission on or before the specified comment date for the particular application (see 18 CFR 4.36). Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing preliminary permit application no later than 30 days after the specified comment date for the particular application. A competing preliminary permit application must conform with 18 CFR 4.32 (a) and (b)(1).

Preliminary Permit—Any qualified development applicant desiring to file a competing development application must submit to the Commission, on or before a specified comment date for the particular application, either a competing development application or a notice of intent to file such an application (see 18 CFR 4.36). Submission of a timely notice of intent to file a development application allows an interested person to file the competing application no later than 120 days after the specified comment date for the particular application. A competing license application must conform with 18 CFR 4.32 (a), (b), and

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.

Proposed Scope of Studies under Permit—A preliminary permit, if issued, does not authorize construction. The term of the proposed preliminary permit would be 36 months. The work proposed under the preliminary permit would include economic analysis, preparation of preliminary engineering plans, and a study of environmental impacts. Based on the results of these studies, the Applicant would decide whether to proceed with the preparation of a development application to construct and operate the project.

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 and .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.

Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filing must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION" 'COMPETING APPLICATION''. "PROTEST", "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 and an additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Project Review, at the above-mentioned address. A copy of any notice of intent, competing application or motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

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.

### David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

# Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

April 30, 1999.

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

- a. *Type of Application:* Preliminary Permit.
  - b. Project No.: 11722-000.
  - c. Date Filed: April 14, 1999.
- d. *Applicant:* Universal Electric Power Corporation.
- e. *Name of Project:* Salamonie Lake Dam Hydroelectric Project.
- f. Location: On the Salamonie River near the town of Wabash, in Wabash County, Indiana. The project would utilize the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Salamonie Lake Dam and reservoir.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 USC §§ 791(a)–824(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Ronald S. Feltenberger, Universal Electric Power Corporation, 1145 Highbrook Street, Akron, Ohio 44301, (330) 535–7115.
- i. FERC Contact: Tom Dean, thomas.dean@ferc.fed.us, 202–219–2778.
- j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of the document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. The project would be located at the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Salamonie Lake Dam and would consist of the following proposed facilities: (1)