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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 Motions To Intervene and Protests and Comments

May 20, 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.:* 11726-000.

c. *Date filed:* April 14, 1999.

d. *Applicant:* Universal Electric Power Corp.

e. *Name of Project:* Buchanan Dam Project.

f. *Location:* On the Chowchill River, Madera County, California. Would use the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's Buchanan Dam.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Ronald S. Feltenberger, Universal Electric Power Corp., 1145 Highbrook Street, Akron, OH 44301, Phone No. (360) 385-1733 ext. 3120.

i. *FERC Contact:* Robert Bell, robert.bell@ferc.fed.us, 202-219-2806.

j. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene, protests and comments:* 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 of procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that 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 may 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 use the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's Buchanan Dam and would consist of:* (1) a proposed intake; (2) four proposed 180-foot-long, 96-inch-diameter steel penstocks; (3) a proposed powerhouse with four generating units having a total installed capacity of 13 MW; (4) a proposed tailrace; (5) a proposed 600-foot-long, 14.7 kV transmission line; and (6) appurtenant facilities.

The project would have an annual generation of 80,000 MWh and project power would be sold to a local utility.

1. A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, D.C. 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. The application may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/rims.htm>. Call (202) 208-2222 for assistance. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

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).

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David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM96-1-012, et al.]

Standards for Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines; Notice of Extension of Time

May 20, 1999.

On April 1, 1999, the pipelines listed in the Appendix, in compliance with the Commission's order issued

December 17, 1998,¹ in Docket No. RM96-1-012, filed reports detailing their level of compliance with Section 284.10(c)(2)(i) of the Commission's regulations.²

In Order No. 587-G, the Commission adopted section 284.10(c)(2)(i) of its regulations, which requires each interstate pipeline to enter into operational balancing agreements (OBAs) at all points of interconnection between its system and the system of another interstate or intrastate pipeline.³ The December 17, 1998, order required each interstate pipeline to file, a statement as to how it has complied with the OBA requirement, by April 1, 1999.

The referenced pipelines state they have complied with the OBA requirement at some, but not all, of the interconnects on their systems, and request, or state they require, further time to negotiate and finalize the required OBA agreements at the remaining interconnects.

Upon consideration, notice is hereby given that the pipelines listed in the Appendix are granted a further extension of time to comply with 284.10(c)(2)(i) of the Commission's regulations until no later than June 30, 1999. On or before June 30, 1999, the pipelines listed herein must file a statement indicating whether they are in compliance with section 284.10(c)(2)(i) of the Commission's regulations, or if they are not in compliance, a detailed statement of the reasons they have been unable to execute the required OBAs. If any further extension is needed the pipeline should provide a detailed justification for the request.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

APPENDIX RM96-1-012, ET AL.

Company name	Docket No.
ANR Pipeline Company	RP98-285-002
Caprock Pipeline Company	RP98-303-002
Colorado Interstate Gas Company	RP98-251-005
Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation	RP98-255-001
Dauphin Island Gathering Partners	RP98-343-003
El Paso Natural Gas Company	RP98-311-001
Florida Gas Transmission Company	RP99-14-000
Garden Banks Pipeline, LLC	RP98-282-001
High Island Offshore System	RP98-245-003
KN Wattenberg Transmission, LLC	RP98-302-002
Kansas Pipeline Company	CP96-152-000
Mid Louisiana Gas Company	RP99-268-000
Mississippi Canyon Gas Pipeline, LLC	RP98-287-001
Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America	RP98-304-002
Norteno Pipeline Company	RP99-279-000
Northern Natural Gas Company	RP98-292-003

¹ Standards For Business Practices Of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines, 85 FERC ¶ 61,371 (1998).

² 18 CFR 284.10(c)(2)(i).

³ Standards For Business Practices Of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines, Order No. 587-G, 63 FR

20072 (Apr. 23, 1998), III FERC Stats. & Regs. Regulations Preambles ¶ 31,062 (Apr. 16, 1998).