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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

June 13, 2001.

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 5 Megawatts or Less.
- b. *Project No.:* P-2056-016.
- c. *Date filed:* December 21, 1998.
- d. *Applicant:* Northern States Power Company.
- e. *Names of Project:* St. Anthony Falls Project.
- f. *Location:* On the Mississippi River, near Minneapolis and St. Paul, Hennepin County, Minnesota. There are no Federal lands within the project boundary.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Mark H. Holmberg, P.E., Northern States Power Company, 414 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, MN 55401, or call (612) 330-6568.
- i. *FERC Contact:* Monte TerHaar, monte.terhaar@ferc.fed.us. 202-219-2768.

j. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protest:* 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

Comments, Motions to intervene and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

Paper copies of Motions to intervene and protests (original and eight copies) may be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

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. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all interveners 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. *Status of environmental analysis:* This application has been accepted but is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. *Description of the Project:* The Project consists of the following existing facilities located across from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Upper Saint Anthony Lock: (1) Horseshoe Dam, a 1,952-foot-long concrete, timber, and rock structure topped with 1.6-foot-high wooden flashboards; (2) the main spillway, a concrete, timber and rock structure 425 feet wide and 150 feet-long; (3) a 340-foot-long roll dam; (4) a 358-acre reservoir with a normal pool water surface elevation of 799.2 feet NGVD, and a total storage capacity of 967 acre-feet; (5) a concrete and masonry powerhouse, 133 feet long by 92 feet wide; (6) 5 turbines with a total installed capacity of 12,400 kilowatts, and a maximum hydraulic capacity of 4,025 cfs, producing an average of 79,518 megawatt-hours annually; and (7) four 115-kilovolt primary transmission lines; and other appurtenances.

m. *Locations of the application:* 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, DC 20246, or by calling (202) 208-1371. This application may be viewed at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h. above.

n. *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.

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Notice of Request for Amendment of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

June 13, 2001.

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

- a. *Application Type:* Request for amendment of the project's LaGrande Canyon Whitewater Boating Plan.
- b. *Project No.* 1862-085
- c. *Date Filed:* March 30, 2001.
- d. *Licensee:* City of Tacoma, Washington, Department of Public Utilities.
- e. *Name of Project:* Nisqually Hydroelectric Project
- f. *Location:* On the Nisqually River, in Pierce, Thurston, and Lewis Counties, Washington. The project is partially located on lands of the Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).
- h. *Licensee Contact:* Mr. Garth Jackson, Tacoma Power, 3628 South 35th Street, Tacoma, Washington 98409-3192. (253) 502-8298.
- i. *FERC Contact:* Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Jean Potvin, Jean.potvin@ferc.fed.us, or (202) 219-0022.

j. *Deadline for filing comments and or motions:* July 25, 2001.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with Mr. David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/rfi/doorbell.htm>. Please reference the following number,

P-1862-085, on any comments or motions filed.

k. *Description of Proposal:* The licensee proposes to amend the project license by deleting the requirement to make whitewater releases for recreational purposes during the rest of the license term.

l. *Locations of the Application:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling 202-208-1371. The application may be viewed on-line at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). A copy is available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

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

n. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protests, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, 385.214. 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.

o. 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. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

p. 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 be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Fifth Interstate Natural Gas Facility-Planning Seminar and Request for Comments

June 13, 2001.

The Office of Energy Projects will hold the fifth in a series of public meetings for the purpose of exploring and enhancing strategies for constructive public participation in the earliest stages of natural gas facility planning. This seminar will be held in Portsmouth, New Hampshire on Thursday, July 19, 2001. This seminar will be a new experience because we will present and discuss the draft Outreach Action Options for Industry, Agencies, Citizens, and FERC staff which we have developed based on the first four seminars. The draft Outreach Action Options are a compilation of the ideas, or "tools" so to speak, the FERC staff has designed to provide each stakeholder group with practical strategies for reaching consensus and developing win-win solutions.

The staff of the Commission's Office of Energy projects will give a briefing on the draft plans. Then, you will be given an opportunity to provide feedback on the plans to help ensure that they address the necessary issues. We are inviting interstate natural gas companies; Federal, state and local agencies; landowners and non-governmental organizations to join us as we continue to develop new strategies in participatory project design. Interactive breakout sessions will be held with representatives from each stakeholder group to review and comment on the draft Outreach Action Options. Then, each breakout group will have an opportunity to share its results with the overall seminar group in an interactive "brainstorming" session.

The objectives of the seminar are:

1. Present and discuss the draft Outreach Action Options;
2. Collect constructive comments and make constructive revisions to the plans;
3. Explore other ideas for improving the FERC's environmental review process.

We are continuing to work toward developing a toolbox of the best available techniques for increasing public involvement and developing solutions to issues during the pre-filing planning process. This will help to plan projects with less opposition that can achieve faster action from the Commission with less controversy and fewer conditions. These action options will be one of the aids we can provide to further that effort.

The meeting in Portsmouth, New Hampshire will be held at the Holiday Inn, 300 Woodbury Avenue, Portsmouth, New Hampshire 03801, phone number 1-603-431-8000 (website www.hiportsmouth.com). The meeting is scheduled to start at 9:00 a.m. and finish at 2:45 p.m. A preliminary agenda (attachment 1) and directions to the Holiday Inn (attachment 2) are enclosed.

If you plan to attend, please email our team at: gasoutreach@ferc.fed.us by July 6, 2001. Or, you can respond via facsimile to Pennie Lewis-Partee at 202-208-0353. Please include in the response the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of all attendees from your organization. We will send an acknowledgment of your request. Attendance is first-come, first-served. However, if it becomes necessary to limit attendance to achieve balance in stakeholder representation, we will notify you.

Prior to July 19, 2001, the draft Outreach Action Options will be posted on the FERC website (www.ferc.gov) and will be mailed to all past seminar participants and to all registrants for this seminar. Interested persons will then have an opportunity to review the draft Outreach Action Options and offer comments. Comments should be sent via e-mail to: gasoutreach-feedback@ferc.fed.us and should be sent by August 3, 2001.

If you have any questions, you may contact any of the staff listed below:

Richard Hoffmann 202/208-0066
Lauren O'Donnell 202/208-0325
Jeff Shenot 202/219-2178
Howard Wheeler 202/208-2299

J. Mark Robinson,

Director, Office of Energy Projects.

Agenda

5th Interstate Natural Gas Facility Planning Seminar, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Holiday Inn, Portsmouth, New Hampshire

July 19, 2001, 9:00 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

9:00

Introductions and Welcome:

Rich Hoffmann, Division of