

- a. *Proposed Action*: Amendment of Exemption.
- b. *Project No.*: 4478-005.
- c. *Exemptee*: Bell Enterprises.
- d. *Name of Project*: Bell Hydroelectric.
- e. *Location*: Battle Creek, in Trinity County, California.
- f. *Action Pursuant to*: Federal Power Act, 16 USC §§ 791-825(r).
- g. *Exemptee Contact*: C. Larry Bell, Bell Enterprises, 2500 SE Nevada Court, Portland, OR 97219, (503) 245-8594.
- h. *FERC Contact*: Regina Saizan, (202) 219-2673.
- i. *Comment Date*: December 26, 1977.
- j. *Description of the proposed action*: The proposed amendment will remove the existing diversion structure, the water ditch, the 4,860-foot-long penstock, and the 500-kw powerhouse from the exemption to reflect the project's as-built condition.
- k. *this notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs*: B, C1, and D2.

B. 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, .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.

C1. 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. 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, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

D2. Agency Comments—Federal, State, and local agencies are invited to filed 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.

**Lois D. Cashell,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Application Ready for Environmental Analysis

November 10, 1997.

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

- a. *Type of Application*: Major License.
- b. *Project No.*: P-11282-001.
- c. *Date Filed*: November 21, 1995.
- d. *Applicant*: Summit Hydropower, Inc.
- e. *Name of Project*: Gainer Dam.
- f. *Location*: On the North Branch of the Pawtuxet River, Town of Scituate, Providence County, Rhode Island.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to*: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact*: Mr. Duncan S. Broatch, 92 Rocky Hill Road, Woodstock, CT 06281, (860) 974-1620.
- i. *FERC Contact*: Lee Emery (202) 219-2779.
- j. *Deadline Date*: See paragraph D9.
- k. *Status of Environmental Analysis*:

This application is ready for environmental analysis at this time—see attached paragraph D9.

l. *Description of Project*: The existing inoperative project would consist of: (1) A 3,500-foot-long, 109-foot-high earthen dam having a 450-foot-long overflow-type spillway at its right (southwest) abutment; (2) a reservoir, known as the Scituate Reservoir, having a 3,400-acre surface area and a 112,270 acre-foot gross storage capacity at spillway crest elevation of 283 feet MSL; (3) an intake structure; (4) a powerhouse containing a rehabilitated 1,500-kW generating unit operated at an 82-foot-net head and at a flow of 300 cfs and containing a new 70-kW generating unit operated at an 82-foot-net head and at a flow of 14 cfs; (5) a 400-foot-long tailrace tunnel and a 700-foot-long excavated tailrace; (6) a 500-foot-long underground, 2.3-kV transmission line; (7) A 2.3/23-kV Substation; (8) A 1.5-mile-long 23-kV transmission line; and (9) appurtenant facilities.

The primary purpose for the existing facilities, owned and operated by the Providence Water Supply Board (PWSB), is water supply for the city of Providence. Applicant estimates that the project's average annual generation would be 2,968,000 kWh. The applicant's estimated net investment in the project would amount to \$494,607.

m. *Purpose of Project*: All project energy will be used on site with the excess power sold to a public utility company.

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

o. *Available Locations 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, N.E., Room 2A-1, Washington, D.C. 20426, or by calling (202) 208-2326. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at Summit Hydropower, Inc., 92 Rocky Hill Road, Woodstock, CT 06281, or by calling (860) 974-1620.

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.

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.

The Commission directs, pursuant to Section 4.34(b) of the Regulations (see Order No. 533 issued May 8, 1991, 56 FR 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 the 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 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, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5922-3]

### Notice of Meeting of the EPA's Children's Health Protection Advisory Committee (CHPAC)

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that the first meeting of the Children's Health Protection Advisory Committee (CHPAC) will be held on December 2 and 3, 1997, in Arlington, Virginia. The CHPAC was created to advise the Environmental Protection Agency in the development of regulations, guidance and policies to address children's environmental health.

**DATES:** Tuesday, December 2, 1997, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Wednesday,

December 3, 1997, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Hyatt Regency Crystal City at the Washington National Airport, 2799 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202.

**AGENDA ITEMS:** The meeting of the CHPAC is open to the public. On Tuesday, December 2, 1997, the meeting will open with introductions, a review of the agenda and meeting objectives. The remaining agenda items for the first day of the meeting include (1) background and context of the Committee, (2) Office of Children's Health Protection's (OCHP) plan, (3) OCHP's Healthy Homes, Healthy Schools, Healthy Kids outreach campaign, and (4) introduction of the Work Groups. The meeting will continue on Wednesday, December 3, with (1) CHPAC Operating Principles and Ground Rules, (2) Work Group sessions and, (3) will conclude with a Plenary Session at which time the Work Groups will present their individual Work Plans and discuss future activities. The public will have an opportunity to comment at the end of both days.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Persons needing further information should contact Paula R. Goode, Office of Children's Health Protection, USEPA, WSM, 913, MC 1107, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, (202) 260-7778, goode.paula@epamail.epa.gov.

Dated: November 10, 1997.

**E. Ramona Trovato,**

*Director, Office of Children's Health Protection.*

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## FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

### Draft American Indian and Alaska Native Policy

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

**ACTION:** Notice, with request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has developed a draft American Indian and Alaska Native Policy that reflects the Agency's commitment to a government-to-government relationship. The draft policy reinforces the importance of partnership between and among all levels of government on issues related to disaster preparedness, mitigation, response and recovery. Contained within this draft policy are guiding

principles for FEMA's interactions with Tribal governments.

**DATES:** We invite your comments, which should be submitted on or before January 5, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Please send written comments to the Office of Policy and Regional Operations, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street SW., Washington DC 20472. Comments may also be submitted via facsimile, (202) 646-4215, or by e-mail to Tribal.Liaison@fema.gov.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rachael A. Rowland, Intergovernmental Affairs, Office of Policy and Regional Operations, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street SW., Washington DC 20472, (202) 646-2889.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The draft FEMA American Indian and Alaska Native Policy follows:

The United States has historically bonded together during times of disaster to provide assistance to those who have suffered the losses of loved ones or personal belongings. The guiding principle of the Federal Emergency Management Agency is "people helping people." It is in this spirit that the Federal Emergency Management Agency declares its policy towards America Indians and Alaska Natives.

### Introduction

The American Indian and Alaska Native tribal governments hold a unique status in the United States with the rights and benefits of sovereign nations. This policy outlines the principles under which all employees of the Federal Emergency Management Agency are to operate with regard to American Indian and Alaska Native tribal governments. This policy is based on the United States Constitution, Federal treaties, policy, statutes, court decisions, and the ongoing political relationship between Indian tribes and the Federal Government.

In recognition of the historic relationship between the United States, the American Indians and Alaska Native tribal governments, the Federal Emergency Management Agency supports a government-to-government relationship between the Federal Government and American Indian and Alaska Native tribes.

This policy pertains to federally recognized tribes and provides guidance to employees of the Federal Emergency Management Agency for issues affecting American Indians and Alaska Natives. This policy does not apply to Federal Emergency Management Agency interactions with State-recognized tribes, Indians, or Alaska Natives who