

Limited Liability Company (KNW) in the above-referenced docket.

The EA was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The staff concludes that approval of the proposed project, with appropriate mitigating measures, would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The EA assesses the potential environmental effects of KNW's proposal to construct, acquire, and operate new and existing pipeline facilities along the Front Range of the Rocky Mountains in north central Colorado, including:

- About 44.9 miles of new 24-inch-diameter pipeline extending from near Rockport (in northern Weld County) south to northern Johnstown;
- About 10.6 miles of new 16-inch-diameter pipeline extending from the Pan Energy-Mark Mewbourne Gas Processing Plant westward towards an area northwest of Platteville;
- About 19.3 miles of new 6- and 12-inch-diameter pipeline extending eastward from the Erie area in southern Weld County;
- About 9.5 miles of 16-inch-diameter existing unprocessed gas pipeline extending from northern Johnstown to an area northwest of Platteville; and
- About 24 miles of existing 12-, 10-, and 8-inch-, diameter processed gas pipeline extending south from the Amoco gas processing plant near Platteville to an area southeast of Brighton in northern Adams County. (This segment is essentially 21 miles of 12-inch-diameter mainline with three short, small-diameter laterals extending to nearby customers.)

The purpose of the proposed facilities would be to establish new natural gas transportation system between the Colorado-Wyoming border and the northern suburbs of Denver. The new system would have the capacity to provide users at the southern end with 250 million cubic feet (MMcf) of natural gas per day, and gas producers at the southern end with the ability to transport 80 MMcf per day to new markets accessible via several existing interstate carriers whose facilities converge near Rockport.

The EA has been placed in the public files of the FERC. A limited number of copies of the EA are available for distribution and public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 208-1371.

Copies of the EA have been mailed to Federal, state and local agencies, public interest groups, interested individuals,

newspapers, and parties to this proceeding.

Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. To ensure consideration prior to a Commission decision on the proposal, it is important that we receive your comments before the date specified below. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send two copies of your comments to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Room, 1A, Washington, DC 20426.
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of the Environmental Review and Compliance Branch, PR-11.1
- Reference Docket No. CP98-49-000; and
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before July 6, 1998.

Comments will be considered by the Commission but will not serve to make the commentor a party to the proceeding. Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214).

The date for filing timely motions to intervene in this proceeding has passed. Therefore, parties now seeking to file late interventions must show good cause, as required by section 385.214(b)(3), why this time limitation should be waived. Environmental issues have been viewed as good cause for late intervention. You do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project Nos. 9648-011, 9649-011 and 9650-020]

Westinghouse Electric Corporation, Lovejoy Tool Company and Factory Falls, Inc.; Notice of Availability of Final Multi-Project Environmental Assessment

June 5, 1998.

A final multi-project environmental assessment (FMEA) is available for public review. The FMEA examines downstream Atlantic salmon fish passage at the Fellows Dam Project (No.

9648), Lovejoy Dam Project (No. 9649), and Gilman Dam Project (No. 9650), all located on the Black River, Vermont. The FMEA finds that approval of the licensee's fish passage plans, with enhancements, and with monitoring conducted at the Gilman Project, would allow downstream passage of Atlantic salmon, and would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The FMEA was written by staff in the Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Copies of the FMEA can be viewed at the Commission's Reference and Information Center, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. Copies can also be obtained by calling the project manager, Pete Yarrington, at (202) 219-2939.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission

June 5, 1998.

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

- a. *Type of Application:* Major New License (Tendering Notice).
- b. *Project No.:* 2651-006.
- c. *Date filed:* May 19, 1998.
- d. *Applicant:* Indiana Michigan Power Company.
- e. *Name of Project:* Elkhart Hydroelectric Project.
- f. *Location:* In the City of Elkhart, Concord Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, on the St. Joseph River 77 miles upstream from confluence with Lake Michigan.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791(a)-825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact:* J.R. Jones, Senior Vice President, Fossil & Hydro Production, American Electric Power Service Corporation, 1 Riverside Plaza, Columbus, Ohio 43215, (614) 223-1801.
- i. *FERC Contact:* Edward R. Meyer, (202) 208-7998.

j. *Brief Description of Project:* The proposed project would consist of: (1) a 300-foot-long by 14-foot-high concrete spillway, the crest of which bears 11, 25-foot-wide by 10.5-foot-high Tainter gates separated by 2.5-foot-wide piers;

(2) an approximately 100-foot-long by 80-foot-wide brick powerhouse attached to the spillway on the south bank of the St. Joseph River having 3 horizontal shaft 4-Francis turbines (2 camelback pairs) with a 3.44 megawatts installed capacity; (3) 6, 9-foot six-inch diameter concrete draft tube tunnels transitioning to 10-foot-high 6-foot-wide openings; and (4) other appurtenances.

k. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), as required by § 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR 800.4.

l. Under Section 4.32(b)(7) of the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 4.32(b)(7)), if any resource agency, SHPO, Indian Tribe, or person believes that the applicant should conduct an additional scientific study to form an adequate, factual basis for a complete analysis of this application on its merits, they must file a request for the study with the Commission, together with justification for such request, not later than 60 days after the application is filed, and must serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Hearings and Appeals

Notice of Issuance of Decisions and Orders During the Week of February 2 Through February 6, 1998

During the week of February 2 through February 6, 1998, the decisions and orders summarized below were issued with respect to appeals, applications, petitions, or other requests filed with the Office of Hearings and Appeals of the Department of Energy. The following summary also contains a list of submissions that were dismissed by the Office of Hearings and Appeals.

ALABAMA HIDE TALLOW CO. ET AL	RF272-94128	2/6/98
ATLANTIC RICHFIELD CO./JOPPA FOOD STORE ET AL	RF304-14124	2/6/98
CRUDE OIL SUPPLE REF DIST	RB272-00132	2/2/98
GULF OIL CORPORATION/G.J. FOOD CENTER INC	RF300-13634	2/3/98
JOHN DEHNER, INC ET AL	RK272-03539	2/6/98
WARREN LYONS ET AL	RK272-1980	2/6/98

Copies of the full text of these decisions and orders are available in the Public Reference Room of the Office of Hearings and Appeals, 950 L'Enfant Plaza, SW, Washington, D.C., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. They are also available in *Energy Management: Federal Energy Guidelines*, a commercially published loose leaf reporter system. Some decisions and orders are available on the Office of Hearings and Appeals World Wide Web site at <http://www.oha.doe.gov>.

Dated: June 2, 1998.

George B. Breznay,

Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals.

Decision List No. 71, Week of February 2 Through February 6, 1998

Appeals

Hanford Education Action League,
2/2/98, VFA-0217

Hanford Education Action League appealed a denial by the Richland Operations Office of a request for information that it filed under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Because the withheld information was identified as classified under the Atomic Energy Act, the DOE withheld it under Exemption 3. The DOE determined on appeal that the information was no longer classified and released an unredacted version. Accordingly, the Appeal was granted.

The Oregonian, 2/3/98, VFA-0368

The Department of Energy granted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Appeal filed by the Oregonian of a determination issued by the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) that documents relating to litigation expenses were exempt from mandatory disclosure pursuant to the attorney work product and attorney-client privileges encompassed by Exemption 5. The DOE found that the documents contained some information that was properly withheld, but that information relating to travel, copying, courier and shipping expenses was improperly withheld. The

DOE remanded this matter to the BPA for further review and for the segregation and release of non-exempt material.

Personnel Security Hearing

Personnel Security Hearing, 2/6/98,
VSO-0181

A Hearing Officer issued an Opinion regarding the eligibility of an individual to maintain access authorization. The Hearing Officer found that the individual had been appropriately diagnosed with a mental illness affecting his judgment and reliability and was habitually using alcohol to excess. Accordingly, the Hearing Officer recommended that the individual's access authorization not be restored.

Refund Application

Primerica Corporation, 2/6/98, RR272-00300, RR272-00301, RF265-02888

The DOE denied reconsideration of *Primerica Corp.*, 26 DOE ¶ 85,050 (1997), which determined that Primerica was not entitled to a refund for the American Can Company business or for American Can's interest in Chemplex. In considering Primerica's request for reconsideration, the DOE determined that American Can (i) transferred the can business assets, including the right to the refund, to a third party, and (ii) did not retain the right to the refund for Chemplex when it sold to a third party the stock of the American Can subsidiary which owned Chemplex. Finally, the DOE determined a refund granted to Primerica in the Getty Oil Company refund proceeding should be rescinded.

Refund Applications

The Office of Hearings and Appeals issued the following Decisions and Orders concerning refund applications, which are not summarized. Copies of the full texts of the Decisions and Orders are available in the Public Reference Room of the Office of Hearings and Appeals.

Dismissals

The following submissions were dismissed.

Name	Case No.
BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY	RF272-95320
HOWARD TRUCKING CO., INC	RF272-95284