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**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2114-071]

#### Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County; Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment

September 24, 1998.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's regulations, 18 CFR Part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47910), the Office of Hydropower Licensing (OHL) reviewed the Grant County Public Utility District No. 2 (licensee) proposal for installation of flow deflectors at the Priest Rapids project in Grant County, Washington. The Commission prepared a draft environmental assessment (DEA) for the proposed action. In the DEA, the Commission concludes that approval of the licensee's proposal will not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

This DEA was written by staff in the Office of Hydropower Licensing (OHL). As such, the DEA is OHL staff's preliminary analysis of the licensee's proposal for installation of flow deflectors. No final conclusions have been made by the Commission regarding this matter.

Should you wish to provide comments on the DEA, they should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice. Comments should be addressed to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. Please include the project number (2114-071) on any comments filed.

Copies of the DEA are available for review in the Public Reference Room, Room 2A, of the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP98-131-000 and CP98-133-000]

#### Vector Pipeline L.P.; Notice of Extension of Time and Public Meeting Schedule for the Vector Pipeline Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement

September 24, 1998.

On September 1, 1998, the Commission issued a Notice of Availability for the Vector Pipeline Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) with comments due by October 19, 1998. The Commission is extending the time in which to file comments on the draft EIS until and including November 16, 1998.

In addition to accepting written comments, four public meetings to receive comments on the draft EIS will be held at the following times and locations:

#### *Date/Time and Location*

Monday, October 5, 1998, 7:00 p.m.:  
Leslie High School Auditorium, 4141 Hull Road, Leslie, MI, (517) 589-8200

Monday, October 5, 1998, 7:00 p.m.:  
Milford High School, 2380 S. Milford Road, Milford, MI, (248) 684-8091

Tuesday, October 6, 1998, 7:00 p.m.:  
Three Rivers Community Center, 103 Postage Avenue, Three Rivers, MI, (616) 279-9231

Tuesday, October 6, 1998, 7:00 p.m.:  
Radisson Hotel at Star Plaza, 800 E. 81st Avenue, Merrillville, IN, (219) 757-3537

Interested groups and individuals are encouraged to attend and present oral comments on the environmental impacts described in the draft EIS. Transcripts of the meetings will be prepared. Additional information about the meetings is available from Paul McKee in the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (202) 208-1088.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Declaration of Intention

September 24, 1998.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed

with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

*a. Type of Application:* Declaration of Intention.

*b. Docket No:* DI98-2-000.

*c. Date Filed:* September 14, 1998.

*d. Applicant:* Alaska Power & Telephone Company.

*e. Name of Project:* Twin Basin Hydropower Project.

*f. Location:* On two tributaries of an unnamed stream catalogued as #252-36-10050-2005 and located off Kizhuyak Bay near the town of Kodiak, within the Kodiak Island Borough. Land Description: Township 29 S., Range 22 W., secs. 3 and 4 and Township 28 S., Range 22 W., secs. 33 and 34, Seward Meridian, AK.

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

*h. Applicant Contact:* Robert S. Grimm, President, Alaska Power & Telephone Company, An Alaskan Corporation, P.O. Box 3222, 191 Otto Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368, (360) 385-1733 (Ext. 120), (360) 385-5177 (FAX).

*i. FERC Contact:* Diane M. Murray, (202) 219-2682, (202) 219-2732 (FAX).

*j. Comment Date:* November 4, 1998.

*k. Description of Project:* The proposed project would consist of: (1) two small concrete or wood crib diversion and intake structures, each approximately 30 feet long and approximately 15 feet high; (2) two penstocks conveying the water from the intakes to the powerhouse. Each penstock will be approximately 5,300 feet long; (3) a proposed powerhouse containing one or two generators with a capacity of 2.5 to 6.5 MW; and (4) appurtenant facilities.

When a Declaration of Intention is filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Federal Power Act requires the Commission to investigate and determine if the interests of interstate or foreign commerce would be affected by the project. The Commission also determines whether or not the project: (1) would be located on a navigable waterway; (2) would occupy or affect public lands or reservations of the United States; (3) would utilize surplus water or water power from a government dam; or (4) if applicable, has involved or would involve any construction subsequent to 1935 that may have increased or would increase the project's head or generating capacity, or have otherwise significantly modified the project's pre-1935 design or operation.

*l. 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 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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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-140273; FRL-6031-8]

### Access to Confidential Business Information by Infobahn Inc.

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA has authorized Infobahn Incorporated of Potomac, Maryland

(Infobahn), for access to information which has been submitted to EPA under all sections of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be confidential business information (CBI). Infobahn will assist the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT) in operating the TSCA Confidential Business Information Center's computer system.

**DATES:** Access to the confidential data by Infobahn, occurred as a result of an approved waiver dated April 23, 1998, which granted Infobahn, sub-contractor to Computer Based Systems, Inc. (CBSI) immediate access to TSCA CBI. This waiver was necessary to allow Infobahn to operate the TSCA Confidential Business Information Center's computer system.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Susan Hazen, Director, Environmental Assistance Division (7408), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. E-545, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 554-1404, TDD: (202) 554-0551; e-mail: TSCA-Hotline@epamail.epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under contract number 68-W-98-045, contractor CBSI, 2750 Prosperity Drive, Suite 300, Fairfax, VA, and CBSI's subcontractors Labat Anderson, Inc. (LAI), 8000 Westpark Drive, Suite 400, McLean, VA 22102 and Infobahn, 2304 Stratton Drive, Potomac, MD 20854 will assist OPPT in managing and operating the TSCA Nonconfidential and Confidential Business Information Centers.

In accordance with 40 CFR 2.306(j), EPA has determined that under EPA contract number 68-W-98-045, CBSI, LAI and Infobahn will require access to CBI submitted to EPA under all sections of TSCA to perform successfully the duties specified under the contract. Contractor and subcontractor personnel will be given access to information submitted to EPA under all sections of TSCA. Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be CBI.

EPA is issuing this notice to inform all submitters of information under all sections of TSCA that EPA may provide Infobahn access to these CBI materials on a need-to-know basis only. All access to TSCA CBI under this contract will take place at EPA Headquarters.

Infobahn will be authorized access to TSCA CBI at EPA Headquarters only, under the terms and provisions of the EPA *TSCA Confidential Business Information Security Manual*.

Clearance for access to TSCA CBI under this contract may continue until

January 31, 2003. Infobahn, Inc. personnel will be required to sign nondisclosure agreements and will be briefed on appropriate security procedures before they are permitted access to TSCA CBI.

## List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Access to confidential business information.

Dated: September 21, 1998.

**Allan S. Abramson,**

*Director, Information Management Division, Office of Pollution and Prevention and Toxics.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPPTS-140274; FRL-6031-9]

### Access to Confidential Business Information by Battelle Memorial Institute

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA has authorized its contractor Battelle Memorial Institute (BMI), of Columbus, Ohio, access to information which has been submitted to EPA under sections 4, 5, 6, 8(a), 11, and 21 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Some of the information may be claimed or determined to be confidential business information (CBI).

**DATES:** Access to the confidential data by BMI occurred as a result of an approved waiver dated September 1, 1998, which requested granting BMI immediate access to TSCA CBI. This waiver was necessary to allow BMI to provide statistical, mathematical, field data collection and technical analysis support and planning for Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT) programs.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Susan Hazen, Director, Environmental Assistance Division (7408), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. E-545, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 554-1404, TDD: (202) 554-0551; e-mail: TSCA-Hotline@epamail.epa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under contract number 68-D5-0008, contractor BMI of 505 King Avenue, Columbus, OH, will assist OPPT by providing statistical, mathematical, field data collection and technical analysis