

24. Florida Power Corp.

[Docket No. ER99-460-000]

Take notice that on November 2, 1998, Florida Power Corporation (FPC) tendered for filing a service agreement between the City of Bartow, Florida and FPC for service under FPC's Cost-Based Wholesale Power Sales Tariff (CR-1), FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume Number 9. This Tariff was accepted for filing by the Commission on April 20, 1998, effective as of October 29, 1997, in Docket No. ER98-374-000.

Comment date: November 23, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

25. Central Hudson Gas and Electric Corp.

[Docket No. ER99-461-000]

Take notice that on November 2, 1998, Central Hudson Gas and Electric Corporation (CHG&E), tendered for filing pursuant to Section 35.12 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Regulations (18 CFR 35.12), a Service Agreement between CHG&E and Merchant Energy Group of the Americas, Inc. The terms and conditions of service under this Agreement are made pursuant to CHG&E's FERC Electric Rate Schedule, Original Volume 1 (Power Sales Tariff) accepted by the Commission in Docket No. ER97-890-000.

A copy of this filing has been served on the Public Service Commission of the State of New York.

Comment date: November 23, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

26. Madison Gas and Electric Co.

[Docket No. ER99-462-000]

Take notice that on November 2, 1998, Madison Gas and Electric Company (MGE) tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission), a Service Agreement with Merchant Energy Group of the Americas, Inc.

Comment date: November 23, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

27. Nevada Power Co.

[Docket No. OA97-2-003]

Take notice that on November 2, 1998, Nevada Power Company tendered for filing a Statement of Policy and Code of Conduct pursuant to the Commission's order issued in the above-mentioned docket on September 18, 1998.

Comment date: December 2, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

28. Gregory Power Partners, L.P.

[Docket No. QF99-32-000]

Take notice that on October 30, 1998, Gregory Power Partners, L.P., c/o LG&E Power Inc., 12500 Fair lakes Circle, Suite 350, Fairfax, Virginia 22033, filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, an Application for Certification of Qualifying Status of a Cogeneration Facility pursuant to Section 292.207(b) of the Commission's Regulations. No determination has been made that the submittal constitutes a complete filing.

The facility is an approximately 427 MW (net) topping-cycle cogeneration facility located in Gregory, Texas. The facility is interconnected with Central Power & Light Company.

Comment date: November 30, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

29. Commonwealth Chesapeake Co., L.L.C.

[Docket No. EG99-15-000]

Take notice that on October 30, 1998, Commonwealth Chesapeake Company, L.L.C. (CCCo), filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an application for determination of exempt wholesale generator status pursuant to Part 365 of the Commission's regulations.

CCCo will own and operate an eligible facility (a 300-MW, oil-fired, electric generating facility) to be located in Accomack County, Virginia.

Comment date: November 27, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice. The Commission will limit its consideration of comments to those that concern the adequacy or accuracy of the application.

Standard Paragraphs

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of these filings are on file with the

Commission and are available for public inspection.

David P. Boergers,*Secretary.*

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6190-4]

Effluent Guidelines Task Force Open Meeting**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Effluent Guidelines Task Force, an EPA advisory committee, will hold a meeting to discuss the Agency's Effluent Guidelines Program. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 1, 1998 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Wednesday, December 2, 1998 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place at the Radisson Barcelo Hotel, 2121 P Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Randolph, Office of Water (4303), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20460; telephone (202) 260-5373; fax (202) 260-7185.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub.L. 92-463), the Environmental Protection Agency gives notice of a meeting of the Effluent Guidelines Task Force (EGTF). The EGTF is a committee of the National Advisory Council for Environmental Policy and Technology (NACEPT), the external policy advisory board to the Administrator of EPA.

The EGTF was established in July of 1992 to advise EPA on the Effluent Guidelines Program, which develops regulations for dischargers of industrial wastewater pursuant to Title III of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 *et seq.*). The Task Force consists of members appointed by EPA from industry, citizen groups, state and local government, the academic and scientific communities, environmental justice community, and EPA regional offices. The Task Force was created to offer advice to the Administrator on the long-term strategy for the effluent guidelines program, and particularly to provide recommendations on a process for expediting the promulgation of effluent guidelines. The Task Force generally

does not discuss specific effluent guideline regulations currently under development.

The meeting is open to the public, and limited seating for the public is available on a first-come, first-served basis. The public may submit written comments to the Task Force regarding improvements to the Effluent Guidelines program. Comments should be sent to Beverly Randolph at the above address. Comments submitted by November 24, 1998 will be considered by the Task Force at or subsequent to the meeting.

Dated: November 12, 1998.

Tudor T. Davies,

Director, Office of Science and Technology.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6190-7]

Notice of Proposed Settlement; Talisman Sugar Corporation Properties, Palm Beach and Hendry Counties, Florida

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of proposed settlement.

SUMMARY: Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), and under section 7003(d) of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), 42 U.S.C. 6973(d), the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposes to enter into a "prospective purchaser agreement" (PPA) concerning property owned by the Talisman Sugar Corporation ("Talisman") in Palm Beach and Hendry Counties, Florida. EPA proposes to enter into the PPA with The Nature Conservancy ("TNC"), a non-profit District of Columbia corporation, and the South Florida Water Management District, (the "District"), a special ad valorem taxing authority established by the Florida legislature, which is responsible for management of water delivery in South Florida. The PPA concerns the acquisition by TNC and the District of certain real property presently owned or leased by Talisman in Palm Beach and Hendry Counties, Florida.

The real property in question (the "Property") consists of approximately 50,757 acres in the Everglades Agricultural Area ("EAA"). Most of the Property is currently owned by Talisman, but the Property includes

certain parcels leased by Talisman. The Property is the subject of a Purchase and Sale Agreement between Talisman and the TNC (the "Purchase and Sale Agreement"), dated July 2, 1998, which gives TNC the right to purchase Talisman's interest in the Property.

TNC is also a party to a Cooperative Agreement with the United States Department of the Interior and the District (the "Cooperative Agreement"), dated July 24, 1998, pursuant to which portions of the Property may be transferred to the District. The purpose of TNC's and the District's participation in the Purchase and Sale Agreement and/or Cooperative Agreements is to further restoration of the Florida Everglades ecosystem. The PPA obligates TNC and the District to manage portions of the Property that they acquire in a manner that is consistent with the comprehensive Everglades restoration program envisioned by the Cooperative Agreement.

Pursuant to the PPA, TNC and the District will be protected from CERCLA liability and from liability under section 7003(d) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6973(d), which may arise from their participation in the acquisition of the Property, as described above. This protection is contingent on TNC's and the District's management of the property as described above.

EPA will consider public comments on the proposed settlement for thirty (30) days. Commenters may request an opportunity for a public meeting in the affected area, in accordance with section 7003(d) of RCRA, 42 U.S.C. 6973(d). EPA may withdraw from or modify the proposed settlement should public comments disclose facts or considerations which indicate the proposed settlement is inappropriate, improper or inadequate.

Copies of the proposed settlement are available from Ms. Paula V. Batchelor, Waste Management Division, U.S. EPA, Region 4, Atlanta Federal Center, 61 Forsyth Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8909.

Written comments may be submitted to Ms. Batchelor within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of publication.

Franklin E. Hill,

Chief, Program Services Branch, Waste Management Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6190-3]

Proposed Administrative Penalty Assessments and Opportunity to Comment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of proposed assessments of Clean Water Act Class I administrative penalties and opportunity to comment.

SUMMARY: EPA is providing notice of proposed administrative penalties for alleged violations of the Clean Water Act. EPA is also providing notice of opportunity to comment on the proposed penalties.

EPA is authorized under section 309(g) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. 1319(g), to assess a civil penalty after providing the person subject to the penalty notice of the proposed penalty and the opportunity for a hearing, and after providing interested persons notice of the proposed penalty and a reasonable opportunity to comment on its issuance. Under section 309(g), any person who without authorization discharges a pollutant to a navigable water, as those terms are defined in section 502 of the Act, 33 U.S.C. 1362, may be assessed a penalty in a "Class I" administrative penalty proceeding. Class I proceedings under section 309(g) are conducted in accordance with proposed consolidated rules of practice governing the administrative assessment of civil penalties, published at 63 FR 9464 (Feb. 25, 1998).

EPA is providing notice of the following proposed Class I penalty proceedings initiated by the Water Division, U.S. EPA, Region 9, 75 Hawthorne St., San Francisco, CA 94105:

In the Matter of S&H Dairy, Docket No. CWA-IX-FY98-28, filed September 28, 1998; proposed penalty, \$5,000; for unauthorized discharge from the S&H Dairy, 4125 Bentley Road, Oakdale, CA 95361, on January 23, 1998, to a canal operated by the Oakdale Irrigation District; and

In the Matter of Bairos Brothers Dairy, Inc., Docket No. CWA-IX-FY98-27, filed September 28, 1998; proposed penalty, \$5,000; for unauthorized discharge from the Bairos Brothers Dairy, 3037 Albers Road, Modesto, CA 95357, on January 23, 1998, to the Albers Lateral of the Oakdale Irrigation District.

Procedures by which the public may comment on a proposed Class I penalty or participate in a Class I penalty