

Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors 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 for filing and is ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. *Description of the Project:* The existing project consists of: (1) a 20-foot-high earthen embankment and 463-acre impoundment; (2) a 66-foot-long powerhouse, containing two generating units with a total capacity of 1,000 kilowatts; (3) a substation; 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, located at 888 First Street N.E., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. The application may be viewed on the web at www.ferc.fed.us. Call (202) 208-2222 for assistance. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address shown in item h above.

n. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* A4 and D10.

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 public notice of the initial development application. No competing applications or notices of intent may be filed in response to this notice.

D10. 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). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. 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, NE, Washington, DC 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Amendment of License

December 3, 1998.

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

a. *Application Type:* Amendment to License.

b. *Projects:* Catawba-Wateree Project No. 2232-381; Ninety-Nine Islands Project No. 2331-014; Gaston Shoals Project No. 2332-021; Keowee & Jocassee Project No. 2503-048; Bad Creek Project No. 2740-041.

c. *Date Filed:* November 5, 1998.

d. *Applicant:* Duke Power Company.

e. *Location:* The five hydroelectric projects listed above are on the Catawba River in the general region of western North Carolina and northern South Carolina. The following Lakes are included in the above projects: James, Rhodhiss, Hickory, Lookout Shoals, Norman, Mountain Island, Wylie, Fishing Creek, Great Falls, Rocky Creek, Wateree, Bad Creek, Ninety-nine Islands, Gaston Shoals, Jocassee and Keowee.

f. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR 4.200.

g. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Joe Hall, Duke Power, P.O. Box 1006, Charlotte, NC 28201-1006, (704) 382-8576.

h. *FERC Contact:* Steve Hocking (202) 219-2656.

i. *Comment Date:* January 7, 1999.

j. *Description of Amendment:* Duke Power requests Commission approval of an Excavation programmatic Agreement (PA) for its five hydroelectric projects listed above. The PA would allow Duke to authorize, without Commission approval, applications to dredge or excavate less than 2,000 cubic yards of soil from the above lakes. The PA outlines those procedures Duke Power would use to review such applications including its permitting process, excavation criteria, consultation requirements, environmental requirements and other restrictions.

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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM98-17-000]

Landowner Notification, Residential Area Designation and Environmental Filing Requirements; Notice Organizing Staff Conference

December 3, 1998.

This notice provides the organizational format for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission staff conference to be held on December 9, 1998. The purpose of this conference is to enable interested parties to discuss with staff, as well as each other, issues relating to the Commission's landowner notification policies and its environmental designation of residential areas.

On October 16, 1998, notice of the technical conference was published in the **Federal Register**.¹ The notice requested those who were interested in making presentations at the conference to submit a request for time. Ten parties indicated an interest in participating at the conference.

The conference will begin with opening remarks by Commission staff and Commissioner Linda Breathitt. The opening remarks will be followed by the presentations. Each presentation will be

limited to ten minutes. After the first five presentations, time will be allowed for questions to be asked of the presenters by the staff and those in the audience. There will then be a break followed by the remaining presentations and another discussion session.

The order of presentation will be:

Representative from Central Maine Power Company; Mary Hanna, Citizens Advocates for Pipeline Safety; Steven Horton, Duke Energy Pipelines; Joan Dreskin, INGAA; Anne Marie Mueser, GASP Coalition.

Suzanne Ryan or Sheila Bergeron, Newton Citizens Committee; Dave Sinclair, Enron Gas Pipeline Group; Gordon Busy, Ohio-Pa. Landowners Association; Representative from Pipeline Contractors Association; Floyd Ball, Transcontinental Gas Pipeline Company

We anticipate that presentations will be completed prior to lunch. If necessary, we will reconvene after lunch to continue discussion and take comments from the audience.

An overhead projector will be made available at the conference. If those making presentations require additional audiovisual services, they should contact John Leiss at (202) 208-1106 by December 7, 1998.

The conference will begin at 9:00 a.m. at the Commission's offices, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC in the Commission Meeting Room. The Capitol Connection patrons in the Washington, DC area will receive notices regarding the broadcast of the conference. It also will be available, for a fee, live over the Internet, via C-Band Satellite, and via telephone conferencing. Persons interested in receiving the broadcast, or who need further information, should contact Shirley Al-Jarani of Julia Morelli at the Capitol Connection (703-993-3100) as soon as possible or visit the Capitol Connection web site at <http://www.capitolconnection.gmu.edu> and click on "FERC."

Questions about the conference should be directed to: John S. Leiss, Office of Pipeline Regulation, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, (202) 208-1106.

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Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6199-7]

Final Notification of Health Effects Testing Requirements for Baseline Gasoline and Oxygenated Nonbaseline Gasolines and Approval of an Alternative Emissions Generator

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this document is to announce that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has notified the American Petroleum Institute (API) test group consortium (hereinafter 211(b) Research Group) for baseline gasoline and gasolines containing methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE) and other oxygenates, of the final Alternative Tier 2 health effects testing requirements under the fuel and fuel additive (F/FA) registration testing requirements of 40 CFR part 79. This document also announces that EPA has approved the API alternative evaporative emissions generator for use in animal toxicity testing under the F/FA registration health effects testing regulations at 40 CFR 79.57.

DATES: The Alternative Tier 2 health effects testing requirements are effective upon receipt by the 211(b) Research Group of the notification letter discussed in this document.

ADDRESSES: Written requests for information regarding this notification should be addressed to Public Docket No. A-96-16, Waterside Mall (Room M-1500), Environmental Protection Agency, Air Docket Section, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460. Materials relevant to this notification have been placed in Docket A-96-16. Documents may be inspected between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. A reasonable fee may be charged for copying docket material.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Brophy, Environmental Scientist, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Air and Radiation, (202) 564-9068.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulated Entities

Entities potentially regulated by this action are those that manufacture gasoline with or without the fuel additives MTBE, ethyl tertiary butyl ether (ETBE), ethyl alcohol (EtOH), tertiary amyl methyl ether (TAME), diisopropyl ether (DIPE), and tertiary butyl alcohol (TBA) and manufacturers

¹ 63 FR 55715.