

and cumulative environmental impacts associated with relicensing the project.

To maintain and enhance the project's power generation efficiency and capacity, the DEIS recommends raising Leaburg Lake by 1.5 feet, installing structures in the McKenzie River near the Walterville intake, excavating the Walterville tailrace, and upgrading powerhouse generation equipment. The environmental impacts of these actions would be minor and could be mitigated by staff recommended measures.

To enhance highly valued McKenzie River fishery resources, EWEB would install a fish screen in the Walterville canal intake and would install tailrace barriers in the Leaburg and Walterville tailraces. To further improve fish habitat and boating opportunities, enhanced year-around minimum in-stream flows, including a flow allotment that could be used during late-summer low-flow conditions are recommended.

To enhance recreation access and opportunities along the McKenzie River, EWEB proposes trust fund donations to acquire lands along the river for access and habitat protection. EWEB also proposes several lesser measures to enhance wildlife habitat values and recreation opportunities on project lands.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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[Project No. 2544-009 Washington]

Washington Water Power Co.; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

November 27, 1995.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission's) Regulations, 18 CFR Part 380 (Order 486, 52 FR 47897), the Commission's Office of Hydropower Licensing has reviewed an application for a reservoir drawdown to install a manual sluice gate at the Meyers Falls Project, Project No. 2544-009. The Meyers Falls Project is located on the Colville River, in Stevens County, Washington. The application is for a reservoir drawdown associated with the installation of a manual sluice gate. An Environmental Assessment (EA) was prepared for the application. The EA finds that approving the application would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

Copies of the EA are available for review in the Public Reference Branch, Room 3104, of the Commission's offices at 941 North Capitol Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP96-77-000]

Koch Gateway Pipeline Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

November 27, 1995.

Take notice that on November 20, 1995, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company (Koch Gateway), P.O. Box 1478, Houston, Texas 77251-1478, filed in Docket No. CP96-77-000 a request pursuant to §§ 157.205 and 157.211 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, 157.211) for authorization to operate as a jurisdictional facility, a delivery tap placed in service under Section 311(a) of the Natural Gas Policy Act and § 284.3(c) of the Commission's Regulations, under Koch Gateway's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-430-000 pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request that is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Koch Gateway states that the proposed certification of facilities will enable it to provide transportation under its blanket transportation certificate through an existing delivery tap serving Entex, Inc. a local distribution company, in Neshoba County, Mississippi.

Koch Gateway asserts that it will operate the delivery tap in compliance with 18 CFR Part 157, Subpart F and that it has sufficient capacity to render the proposed service without detriment or disadvantage to its other existing customers.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 45 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to § 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefor, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed

for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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[Docket No. CP96-76-000]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

November 27, 1995.

Take notice that on November 20, 1995, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), P.O. Box 3330, Omaha, Nebraska, 68103-0330, filed in Docket No. CP96-76-000 a request pursuant to §§ 157.205, and 157.216(b) of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205, and 157.216(b)) for approval to abandon certain small volume measuring station facilities under Northern's blanket certificate authority issued in Docket No. CP82-401-000, pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Northern proposes to abandon a total of 140 measuring station facilities, located in Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska, and South Dakota, all as more fully set forth in the request on file with the Commission. Northern states that the facilities to be abandoned are jurisdictional facilities under the NGA and were constructed pursuant to superseded 2.55 regulations, budget, or blanket authority, depending on the year the facilities were originally placed in-service. Northern indicates that Peoples Natural Gas Company's end-users have requested the removal of these stations from their property.

Any person or the Commission's Staff may, within 45 days of the issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214), a motion to intervene and pursuant to § 157.205 of the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205), a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefor, the proposed activities shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for