

d. *Applicant*: Malacha Hydro Limited Partnership.

e. *Name of Project*: Muck Valley Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location*: Lassen County, Nubieber, California.

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

h. *Applicant Contact*: Mr. E. Robert Mooney, Malacha Hydro Limited Partnership, P.O. Box 6437, Boise, ID 83707, (208) 338-2603.

i. *FERC Contact*: Susan Tseng, (202) 219-2798.

j. *Comment Date*: August 23, 1996.

k. *Description of Project*: The licensee proposes to install either a pneumatic crest gate or similar type inflatable rubber dam apparatus on the crest of the existing diversion weir and replace the steel trashracks with high-density polyethylene (HDPE) racks. The gate or rubber dam will extend 3.0 feet above the existing weir crest and increase the existing reservoir pool by 2.5 feet and allow for 0.5 feet of freeboard. The increase in the pool depth will also increase the total cross sectional area of flow through the trashrack into the intake by 36%. The HDPE racks would have a bar spacing of 1/2 inch instead of the existing 3/8 inch spacing.

1. 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", "PROTESTS", 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.

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Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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Notice of Proceeding Pursuant to Article 408 Regarding Amendment of License for Whitewater Boating

July 17, 1996.

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

a. *Type of Application*: Proceeding Pursuant to Article 408 Regarding Amendment of License For Whitewater Boating.

a. *Project No*: 9690-025.

c. *License Issued*: April 14, 1992.

d. *Applicant*: Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc.

e. *Name of Project*: Rio Project.

f. *Location*: Mongaup River in Orange and Sullivan Counties, New York.

g. *Filed Pursuant to*: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791 (a)-825 (r) and Article 408 of project license.

h. *Applicant Contact*: Mr. Hans Hasnay, Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc., One Blue Hill Plaza, Pearl River, NY 10965 (914) 577-2648.

i. *FERC Contact*: Heather Campbell, (202) 219-3097.

j. *Comment Date*: August 23, 1996.

k. *Description of Proposal*: The Commission staff is considering revising the approved whitewater boating release schedule to provide for scheduled two-turbine releases. These two-turbine releases are currently taking place at the discretion of the licensee when ample water is present.

Preliminary comments on the possible revision from the Upper Delaware Council, National Park Service, and various kayaking and canoeing groups have identified complex issues involving recreational use and public safety. This proceeding is to determine if an amendment to the approved whitewater boating schedule is appropriate for the enhancement of

recreational opportunities in the area. Comments on the need for scheduled two-turbine releases for whitewater boating and how such releases could affect public safety are requested by this notice.

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