

customers under the terms of ComEd's Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT). ComEd also submitted for filing an additional Service Agreement establishing Wisconsin Electric Power Company (WEPCO), dated July 26, 1996, as a firm customer under the terms of ComEd's OATT.

ComEd requests an effective date of July 21, 1996 for all seven Non-Firm Service Agreements and an effective date of July 16, 1996 for the Firm Service Agreement, and accordingly seeks waiver of the Commission's requirements. Copies of this filing were served upon Calpine, TPCO, MP&L, EPI, EMPT, Illinova, PanEnergy, WEPCO and the Illinois Commerce Commission.

*Comment date:* September 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### Standard Paragraph

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, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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 this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Lois D. Cashell,  
*Secretary.*

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#### [Project No. 11478-000]

#### **Central Vermont Public Service Corporation; Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment**

August 29, 1996.

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 No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Hydropower Licensing has reviewed the application for an original license for the Silver Lake Hydroelectric Project, located in Addison County, Vermont, and has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for the project. In the DEA, the Commission's staff has

analyzed the potential environmental impacts of the existing, unlicensed project and has concluded that approval of the project, with appropriate environmental protection or enhancement measures, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

Copies of the DEA are available for review in the Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch of the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426.

Any comments should be filed within 45 days from the date of this notice and should be addressed to Lois D. Cashell, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426. Please affix "Silver Lake Hydroelectric Project, No. 11478-000" to all comments. For further information, please contact Jim Haines at (202) 219-2780.

Lois D. Cashell,

*Secretary.*

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#### [Project Nos. 1932-004, 1933-010, and 1934-010]

#### **Southern California Edison Company; Notice of Intent to Prepare a Multiple Project Environmental Assessment and Conduct Public Scoping Meetings**

August 29, 1996.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has received applications for new licenses (relicenses) for the existing Lytle Creek Project No. 1932, Santa Ana River 1 and 2 Project No. 1933, and Mill Creek 2/3 Project No. 1934. The Lytle Creek Project is located on Lytle Creek, the Santa Ana River 1 and 2 Project is located on the Santa Ana River, and the Mill Creek 2/3 Project is located on Mill Creek. All three projects are located in San Bernardino County, California.

The FERC staff intends to prepare a Multiple Project Environmental Assessment (EA) on the three hydroelectric projects in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act.

The staff's EA will objectively consider both site specific and cumulative environmental impacts of the projects and reasonable alternatives, and will include an economic, financial and engineering analysis.

A draft EA will be issued and circulated for review to all the interested parties. All comments filed on the draft EA will be analyzed by the staff and considered in a final EA. The

staff's conclusions and recommendations will then be presented for the consideration of the Commission in reaching its final licensing decision.

#### Site Visit and Scoping Meetings

The FERC will visit the project sites and conduct two scoping meetings. Staff will visit the project sites on September 25, 1996, and will meet at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 7 Oaks Dam construction office parking lot, adjacent to the guard office at 8:30 a.m. The parking lot is located on Santa Ana Canyon Road, northeast of Mentone, CA.

Both scoping meetings will be held at the Council Chambers, City Hall of San Bernardino, 300 North D Street, San Bernardino, California, 92418. The first meeting will be held on September 26, 1996, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and will focus primarily on issues of concern to the resource agencies. The second meeting will also be held on September 26, 1996, from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and will focus primarily on issues of concern to the general public. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend either or both scoping meetings and assist the staff in identifying the scope of environmental issues that should be analyzed by the EA.

Prior to the site visit and meetings, a scoping document will be mailed to the list of interested parties. The scoping document identifies resource issues to be addressed in the EA. Copies of the scoping document will also be available at the scoping meetings.

#### Objectives

At the scoping meetings the staff will: (1) Summarize the environmental issues tentatively identified for analysis in the EA; (2) determine the relative depth of analysis for issues to be addressed in the EA; (3) identify resource issues that are not important and do not require detailed analysis; (4) solicit from the meeting participants all available information, especially quantified data, on the resources at issue; and (5) encourage statements from experts and the public on issues that should be analyzed in the EA, including points of view in opposition to, or in support of, the staff's preliminary views.

#### Procedures

The meetings will be recorded by a stenographer and all statements (oral and written) thereby become a part of the formal record of the Commission proceedings. Individuals presenting statements at the meetings will be asked