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Armstrong Energy Resources; Notice of Extension of Time

September 27, 1996.

Take notice that a 90-day extension of time for filing comments on Scoping Document I issued July 24, 1996, in the above referenced proceedings is granted. Comments which were due October 7, 1996, will now be due by January 6, 1997.

A subsequent public scoping meeting concerning the impact of transmission line right-of-way will be conducted at a future date following public notice of such meeting.

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[Project No. 3574-004 Montana]

Continental Hydro Corporation; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

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In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Regulations, 18 CFR Part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 F.R. 47897), the Office of Hydropower Licensing has reviewed the application for an original, major license for the Tiber Dam Hydroelectric Project (project), and has prepared a Final Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project. The project is located at the Bureau of Reclamation's existing Tiber Dam and Lake Elwell, on the Marias River in Liberty County, Montana.

In the final EA, the Commission's staff has analyzed the existing and potential future environmental impacts of the project and has concluded that licensing the project, with appropriate environmental protective or enhancement measures, would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

Copies of the EA are available for review in the Public Reference Branch, Room 2A, of the Commission's offices at

888 First Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

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[Project No. 2569-004; Project No. 2538-001]

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation Beebe Island Corporation; Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Assessment

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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 applications for new licenses for the Black River and Beebe Island Projects located in Jefferson County, New York, and has prepared a Final Environmental Assessment (FEA) for the projects. In the FEA, the Commission's staff has analyzed the potential environmental impacts of the existing projects and has concluded that approval of the projects, 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 FEA are available for review in the Public Reference Branch, Room 2A of the Commission's offices at 808 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

For further information, please contact James Hunter at (202) 219-2839.

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[Project No. 2275-001]

Public Service Company of Colorado; Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Assessment

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In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR Part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Hydropower Licensing has reviewed the application for a subsequent license for the existing Salida Hydroelectric Project, located on the South Arkansas River and on Fooses Creek in Chaffee County, Colorado, near the town of

Poncha Springs, and has prepared a final environmental assessment (EA) for the project.

On April 7, 1995, staff issued and distributed to all parties a draft EA, and requested that comments on the draft EA be filed with the Commission within 30 days. Comments were filed and are addressed in the final EA.

In the final EA, the Commission's staff has analyzed the existing and potential future environmental impacts of the project and has concluded that approval of the project, with appropriate environmental protective or enhancement measures, would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect quality of the human environment.

Copies of the final EA are available for review in the Public Reference Branch, Room 2-A, of the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

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Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation; Tennessee Gas Pipe Line Company; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Seaboard Expansion and 1997 Niagara Expansion Projects, Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

September 27, 1996.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the construction and operation of the facilities proposed in the SeaBoard Expansion Project and 1997 Niagara Expansion Project.¹ This EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether an environmental impact statement is necessary and whether to approve the project.

Summary of the Proposed Projects

Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Transco) wants to expand the capacity of its facilities in

¹ Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation's, National Fuel Gas Supply Corporation's, and Tennessee Gas Pipe Line Company's applications were filed with the Commission under Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations.