

Applications will be subjected to formal merit review and will be evaluated against the following criteria, which are listed in order of importance as set forth in 10 CFR Part 605:

1. Scientific and/or technical merit of the project.
2. Appropriateness of the proposed method or approach.
3. Competency of applicant's personnel and adequacy of proposed resources.
4. Reasonableness and appropriateness of the proposed budget.

The evaluation will include program policy factors such as the relevance of the proposed research to the terms of the announcement and the agency's programmatic needs. General information about development and submission of applications, eligibility, limitations, evaluations and selection process, and other policies and procedures may be found in the Application Guide for the Office of Energy Research Financial Assistance Program and 10 CFR Part 605. Electronic access to the Application Guide is possible via the Internet using the following Web site address: <http://www.er.doe.gov/production/grants/grants.html>

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. ER97-2604-000]

**Applied Resources Integrated Services, Inc.; Notice of Issuance of Order**

July 1, 1997.

Applied Resources Integrated Services, Inc. (Applied Services) submitted for filing with the Commission a rate schedule under which Applied Services will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions as a marketer. Applied Services also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, Applied Services requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR part 34 of all future issuances of securities and

assumptions of liability by Applied Services.

On June 17, 1997, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Applications, Office of Electric Power Regulation, granted requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by Applied Services 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 385.214).

Absent a request for hearing within this period, Applied Services is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, endorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, and compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approval of Applied Services' issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is July 17, 1997. Copies of the full text of the order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

**Lois D. Cashell,**

*Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. ER97-2413-000]

**Fina Energy Services Company; Notice of Issuance of Order**

July 1, 1997.

Fina Energy Services Company (Fina) submitted for filing with the Commission a rate schedule under which Fina will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions as a marketer. Fina also requested waiver of various Commission

regulations. In particular, Fina requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by Fina.

On June 18, 1997, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Applications, Office of Electric Power Regulation, granted requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by Fina should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214).

Absent a request for hearing within this period, Fina is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, endorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, and compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approval of Fina's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is July 18, 1997. Copies of the full text of the order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

**Lois D. Cashell,**

*Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. ER97-2681-000]

**New Millennium Energy Corporation; Notice of Issuance of Order**

July 1, 1997.

New Millennium Energy Corporation (NMEC) submitted for filing with the Commission a rate schedule under which NMEC will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions