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Lois D. Cashell,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Environmental Compliance and Applicant Environmental Report Preparation Training Courses

July 16, 1997.

The Office of Pipeline Regulation (OPR) staff is conducting three sessions of its environmental compliance training course and the course on preparing the applicants environmental report.

These courses are a result of the positive response to our outreach training courses held since 1992. We encourage interested organizations and the public to take advantage of the courses to gain an understanding of the requirements and objectives of the Commission in ensuring compliance with all environmental certificate conditions and meeting its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act and other laws and regulations.

Environmental Report Preparation Course

The environmental report preparation course presentation and the manual focus primarily on Section 7 filings. However, the course manual will address the following topics:

- A. What types of projects require environmental filings
 1. Natural Gas Act section 7
 2. Natural Gas Policy Act filings
 3. Section 2.55 replacements
- B. What filings are required of each type of filing
- C. What to include in each filing
- D. Potential time saving procedures
 1. Applicant-prepared DEA
 2. Third-party EA or EIS.

The staff intends the manual to be a cookbook for preparing environmental filings under section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

If you have specific questions related to the subject matter of this course, or if you would like the course to address a particular item, please call Mr. John Leiss at (202) 208-1106.

The one-day environmental report preparation course will be held on the dates and at the locations shown below. Attendees must call the number listed for the hotel by the reservation deadline and identify themselves as Federal

Energy Regulatory Commission seminar attendees to receive the discounted group rate.

We also intend to have a session in Salt Lake City in October. Information on that session (and registration forms) should be available by the end of July through the telephone number given below under Preregistration.

Session and Location:

September 9, Four Points Hotel,
Riverwalk North, 110 Lexington
Avenue, San Antonio, Texas 78205.
September 22, Hynes Auditorium, 900
Boyleston Street, Boston,
Massachusetts 02115, Information:
(617) 954-2000

Reservation by: August 11.

Environmental Compliance Training Course

The two-day environmental compliance training course will include the following topics:

- A. Postcertificate clearance filings
- B. Environmental inspection as it relates to:
 1. Right-of-way preparation
 2. Temporary erosion control
 3. Cultural resources
 4. Waterbody crossings
 5. Wetland construction
 6. Residential area construction
 7. Right-of-way restoration, and
 8. Techniques for environmental compliance.

The environmental compliance training course will be held on the dates and at the locations shown below. Attendees must call the numbers listed for the hotels by the reservation deadline and identify themselves as FERC seminar attendees to receive the discounted group rate.

We also intend to have a session in Salt Lake City in October. Information on that session (and registration forms) should be available by the end of July through the telephone number given below under Preregistration.

Session and Location:

September 10-11, Four Points Hotel,
Riverwalk North, 110 Lexington
Avenue, San Antonio, Texas 78205,
1-800-28TEXAS
September 23-24, Hynes Auditorium,
900 Boyleston Street, Boston,
Massachusetts 02115, Information:
(617) 954-2000

Reservation by: August 11.

Preregistration

The OPR staff and Foster Wheeler Environmental Corporation, the Commission's environmental support contractor for natural gas projects, will conduct the training. There is no fee for the courses, but you must preregister because space is limited.

If you would like to attend either of these courses, please call the telephone

number listed below to obtain a preregistration form.¹ **Note:** If you plan to attend both the environmental report preparation session and the subsequent environmental compliance training session, you must preregister separately for each (only one form is needed). Attendance will be limited to the first 150 people to preregister in each course. Call or FAX requests for preregistration forms to: Ms. Donna Connor, c/o Foster Wheeler Environmental Corporation, 470 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, MA 02210, Telephone or FAX (Menu driven): (508) 384-1424.

You will receive confirmation of preregistration and additional information before the training course(s).

Additional training will be offered in the future. Please indicate whether you would like these courses to be offered again, or if you are interested in any other courses with different topics or audiences. Please indicate your preferences for location and time of year. Suggestions on format are welcome.

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Notice of Amendment to Recreation Plan

July 16, 1997.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Amendment to Recreation Plan.

Project Name and No: Kings Falls Project, FERC Project No. 7352-017.

c. *Date Filed:* August 27, 1996.

d. *Applicant:* Mercer Management, Inc.

e. *Location:* Lewis County, New York on the Deer River near the towns of Copenhagen and West Carthage.

f. *Filed pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. § 791 (a)-825(r).

g. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. David G. Crandell, Mercer Management, Inc., 330 Broadway, Albany, New York 12207-2981, (518) 434-1412.

h. *FERC Contact:* Steve Naugle, (202) 219-2805.

¹ The preregistration forms referenced in this notice are not being printed in the **Federal Register**. Copies of the forms were sent to those receiving this notice in the mail.