

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 1980]

Wisconsin Electric Power Company; Notice of Authorization for Continued Project Operation

March 5, 1998.

On February 27, 1996, Wisconsin Electric Power Company, licensee for the Big Quinnesec Falls Project No. 1980, filed an application for a new or subsequent license pursuant to the Federal Power Act (FPA) and the Commission's regulations thereunder. Project No. 1980 is located on the Menominee River in Dickinson County, Michigan and Marinette and Florence Counties, Wisconsin.

The license for Project No. 1980 was issued for a period ending February 28, 1998. Section 15(a)(1) of the FPA, 16 U.S.C. 808(a)(1), requires the Commission, at the expiration of a license term, to issue from year to year an annual license to the then licensee under the terms and conditions of the prior license until a new license is issued, or the project is otherwise disposed of as provided in Section 15 or any other applicable section of the FPA. If the project's prior license waived the applicability of Section 15 of the FPA, then, based on Section 9(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 558(c), and as set forth at 18 CFR 16.21(a), if the licensee of such project has filed an application for a subsequent license, the licensee may continue to operate the project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the license after the minor or minor part license expires, until the Commission acts on its application. If the licensee of such a project has not filed an application for a subsequent license, then it may be required, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.21(b), to continue project operations until the Commission issues someone else a license for the project or otherwise orders disposition of the project.

If the project is subject to Section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that an annual license for Project No. 1980 is issued to Wisconsin Electric Power Company for a period effective March 1, 1998, through February 28, 1999, or until the issuance of a new license for the project or other disposition under the FPA, whichever comes first. If issuance of a new license (or other disposition) does not take place on or before February 28, 1999, notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.18(c), an annual license under Section 15(a)(1) of the FPA is renewed

automatically without further order or notice by the Commission, unless the Commission orders otherwise.

If the project is not subject to Section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that Wisconsin Electric Power Company is authorized to continue operation of the Big Quinnesec Falls Project No. 1980 until such time as the Commission acts on its application for subsequent license.

David P. Boergers,*Acting Secretary.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. ER98-2017-000]

Wisconsin Electric Power Company; Notice of Cancellation

March 4, 1998.

Take notice that on February 27, 1998, Wisconsin Electric Power Company (Wisconsin Electric) filed a notice of cancellation effective May 1, 1998, Service Agreement No. 30 under Wisconsin Electric FERC Electric Tariff Original Volume No. 1 is to be canceled.

Copies of the filing have been served on Oconto Electric Cooperative, the Michigan Public Service Commission, and the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

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 and protests should be filed on or before March 19, 1998. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. 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.

David P. Boergers,*Acting Secretary.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RP97-375-000]

Wyoming Interstate Company Ltd.; Notice of Informal Settlement Conference

March 5, 1998.

Take notice that an informal settlement conference in this proceeding will be convened on Wednesday, March 11, 1998, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, for the purpose of exploring the possible settlement of the above-referenced docket.

Any party, as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(c), or any participant as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(b), is invited to attend. Persons wishing to become a party must move to intervene and receive intervenor status pursuant to the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 385.214).

For additional information, please contact Arnold H. Meltz at (202) 208-2161 or John Roddy at (202) 208-0053.

David P. Boergers,*Acting Secretary.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. ER91-195-031, et al.]

Western Systems Power Pool, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

March 3, 1998.

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

1. Western Systems Power Pool

[Docket No. ER91-195-031]

Take notice that on February 27, 1998, the Western Systems Power Pool (WSPP), filed certain information to update its January 30, 1998, quarterly filing. This data is required by Ordering Paragraph (D) of the Commission's June 27, 1991, Order (55 FERC ¶ 61,495) and Ordering Paragraph © of the Commission's June 1, 1992, Order On Rehearing Denying Request Not To Submit Information, And Granting In Part And Denying In Part Privileged Treatment. Pursuant to 18 CFR 385.211, WSPP has requested privileged treatment for some of the information