

capacity and energy by Kansas Municipal Energy Agency to Missouri Public Service.

UtiliCorp requests waiver of the Commission's Regulations to permit the Service Agreement to become effective in accordance with its terms.

Comment date: June 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

33. Alliant Services Inc.

[Docket No. ER98-3188-000]

Take notice that on June 1, 1998, Alliant Services, Inc., on behalf of IES Utilities Inc. (IES), Interstate Power Company (IPC) and Wisconsin Power and Light Company (WPL), tendered for filing three executed Service Agreements for long-term firm point-to-point transmission service between Wisconsin Power and Light Company, an Alliant Utility, and Alliant Services, Inc.

Alliant Services, Inc., requests an effective date of May 1, 1998, and accordingly, seeks waiver of the Commission's notice requirements.

A copy of this filing has been served upon the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

Comment date: June 19, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

34. MDU Resources Group, Inc.

[Docket No. ES98-33-000]

Take notice that on May 19, 1998, MDU Resources Group, Inc., filed an Application under Section 204 of the Federal Power Act, seeking authorization to issue additional shares of Common Stock, par value \$3.33, in connection with a three-for-two Common Stock split to be effected in the form of a fifty percent (50%) stock dividend. It is proposed that the stock split will become effective July 13, 1998, and stock certificates for the additional shares resulting from the split would be mailed on or about July 13, 1998.

Comment date: June 29, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

35. Big Rivers Electric Corporation

[Docket No. NJ98-5-000]

Take notice that on May 29, 1998, Big Rivers Electric Corporation (Big Rivers), submitted for filing an Open Access Transmission Services Tariff and a request for a declaratory order which would find that Big Rivers' Transmission Tariff meets the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's comparability standards and is therefore an acceptable reciprocity tariff pursuant to the provisions of Order No. 888 and

888-A, B & C. Big Rivers is currently in bankruptcy, but has received bankruptcy court approval of a Plan of Reorganization. Elements of this Plan of Reorganization have been approved by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (KPSC), to enable Big Rivers emerge from bankruptcy. The Open Access Transmission Tariff for which approval is requested will not become effective until the closing date of the Bankruptcy Plan's contemplated two-phased lease agreement between Big Rivers, LG&E Energy Corp. (LEC), and certain subsidiaries of LEC, including Western Kentucky Energy Corp. (WKEC) and LG&E Energy Marketing, Inc. (LEM), (collectively the LG&E Parties). Due to a number of closing conditions therein, Big Rivers cannot predict with any certainty when this closing date will occur and when the requested Open Access Transmission Tariff will need to go into effect, although Big Rivers expects other conditions to closing to be satisfied by July 1, 1998. Thus, Big Rivers requests that it be allowed to file this tariff for expedited review with the effective date to be established as the closing date of the proposed transaction.

Comment date: June 29, 1998, 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 these filings 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

[Project No. 3267-010]

Bellows-Tower Hydro, Inc.; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

June 5, 1998.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's regulations, 18 CFR Part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47910), the Office of Hydropower Licensing (OHL) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) for an application to amend the license to delete an old, unused powerhouse from the project. This is required by the Commission to reflect the as-built condition of the project. The license must be amended because the installed capacity and number of turbine generator units are less than authorized in the license. In the EA, staff concludes that approval of the licensee's proposal would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. The Ballard-Mill Project is located on the Salmon River in Franklin County, New York.

The EA was written by staff in the Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Copies of the EA are available for review at the Commission's Reference and Information Center, Room 2-A, 888 First Street, NW., Washington, DC 20426.

David P. Boergers,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP98-49-000 and CP98-49-001]

K N Wattenberg Transmission Limited Liability Company; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Front Runner Pipeline System

June 5, 1998.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) on the natural gas pipeline facilities proposed by K N Wattenberg Transmission