

application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the NGA.

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Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application

June 29, 1998.

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

- a. *Type of Application:* Preliminary Permit.
- b. *Project No.:* 11615-000.
- c. *Date Filed:* June 1, 1998.
- d. *Applicant:* Massachusetts Water Resources Authority.
- e. *Name of Project:* Winsor Dam.
- f. *Location:* On the Swift River in the Towns of Belchertown, Hardwick, New Salem, Pelham, Petersham, Shutesbury, and Ware, Hampshire, Franklin, and Worcester Counties, Massachusetts.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. William A. Brutsch, Charleston Navy Yard, 100 First Avenue, Boston, MA 02129, (617) 241-4604.
- i. *FERC Contact:* Charles T. Raabe, (202) 219-2811.
- j. *Deadline Date:* August 28, 1998.
- k. *Description of Project:* The existing, inoperative project would consist of the following facilities: (1) the 2,900-foot-long Winsor Dam; (2) the 25,216-acre Quabbin reservoir; (3) a water intake; (4) 48-inch-diameter and 68-inch-diameter pipelines, each about 1,000 feet long; (5) a powerhouse containing a 1200 kW generating unit; (6) a tailrace; (7) a new transformer and a proposed 13.8-kV transmission line; and (8) appurtenant facilities.

Applicant estimates that the average annual generation would be 3.0 MWh and that the cost of the studies under the permit would be \$85,000. The dam and water rights are owned by the Metropolitan District Commission, 20 Somerset Street, Boston, MA 02108. The equipment is owned by the Applicant.

1. This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs: A5, A7, A9, A10, B, C, and D2.

A5. Preliminary Permit—Anyone desiring to file a competing application for preliminary permit for a proposed project must submit the competing application itself, or a notice of intent to

file such an application, to the Commission on or before the specified comment date for the particular application (see 18 CFR 4.36). Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing preliminary permit application no later than 30 days after the specified comment date for the particular application. A competing preliminary permit application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30(b) and 4.36.

A7. Preliminary Permit—Any qualified development applicant desiring to file a competing development application must submit to the Commission, on or before a specified comment date for the particular application, either a competing development application or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent to file a development application allows an interested person to file the competing application no later than 120 days after the specified comment date for the particular application. A competing license application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30(b) and 4.36.

A9. Notice of intent—A notice of intent must specify the exact name, business address, and telephone number of the prospective applicant, and must include an unequivocal statement of intent to submit, if such an application may be filed, either a preliminary permit application or a development application (specify which type of application). A notice of intent must be served on the applicant(s) named in this public notice.

A10. Proposed Scope of Studies under Permit—A preliminary permit, if issued, does not authorize construction. The term of the proposed preliminary permit would be 36 months. The work proposed under the preliminary permit would include economic analysis, preparation of preliminary engineering plans, and a study of environmental impacts. Based on the results of these studies, the Applicant would decide whether to proceed with the preparation of a development application to construct and operate the project.

B. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments,

protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

C. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION", "COMPETING APPLICATION", "PROTEST", "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to the Director, Division of Project Review, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above-mentioned address. A copy of any notice of intent, competing application or motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

D2. Agency Comments—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

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- a. *Type of Application:* Amendment of License.
- b. *Project No.:* 8185-034.
- c. *Date Filed:* June 11, 1998.
- d. *Applicant:* Bluestone Energy Design.
- e. *Name of Project:* Clifton No. 3.