

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****Notice of Application Filed With the Commission**

September 11, 1998.

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

a. Type of Application: Amendment of License to Authorize the City of Hot Springs, Arkansas, (City) to Construct and Operate a New Water Intake with a Capacity to Withdraw 20 Million Gallons Per Day (MGD) From Lake Hamilton. The Proposed Facility would Replace an Existing Intake Constructed in 1966, which Currently Withdraws 12 MGD. The City Currently is Expanding its Existing Ouachita Water Treatment Facilities at Lake Hamilton to Accommodate an Increasing Local Demand for Municipal Water.

b. Project No.: 271-053.

c. Date Filed: September 1, 1998.

d. Applicant: Entergy Arkansas, Inc.

e. Name of Project: Carpenter-Rommel Hydroelectric Project.

f. Location: Garland and Hot Springs Counties, Arkansas.

g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. Applicant Contact: Mr. Bobby Pharr, Entergy Fossil Operations, Lake Catherine/Hydro/ERS, P.O. Box 218, Jones Mill, AR 72105, (501) 620-5674.

i. FERC Contact: Jim Haimes, (202) 219-2780.

j. Comment Date: October 9, 1998.

k. Description of Project: The licensee is requesting the Commission's authorization to permit the City of Hot Springs, Arkansas to construct and operate a new 20 MGD water intake on Lake Hamilton. The proposed facility would replace the City's existing water intake, which currently withdraws up to 12 MGD from Lake Hamilton.

1. This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs: B, C1, and D2.

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.

C1. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTEST", or "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, N.E., Washington, DC 20426. A copy of any 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6161-7]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Evaluation of Jobs Through Recycling Grant Projects

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Evaluation of Jobs Through Recycling Grant Projects, ICR Number 1865.01. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost; where appropriate, it

includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before October 16, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY: Contact Sandy Farmer at EPA by phone at (202) 260-2740, by email at farmer.sandy@epamail.epa.gov, or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1865.01. Alternatively, download off the Jobs Through Recycling Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/jtr/seconds/program/program.htm>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Evaluation of Jobs Through Recycling Grant Projects, ICR Number 1865.01. This is a new collection.

Abstract: EPA launched the Jobs Through Recycling (JTR) initiative in 1994 to help facilitate the growth of the recycling industry and thereby increase the environmental and economic benefits created by recycling. The industry includes businesses involved in collecting, processing, manufacturing, and selling products made from recovered materials. With JTR, EPA intended to help state and tribal agencies build a support infrastructure of economic development activities which create jobs, increase capital invested in the recycling industry, create new recycling capacity, and increase the amount of secondary materials actually used.

To assess the success of the JTR grant projects, EPA designed a methodology to evaluate the results, accomplishments, and lessons learned from each JTR grant. The first step in the methodology is to review grant workplans, progress and final reports, and grant products. The second step is to interview the grantees as well as one project partner and one business assisted by each grantee. To facilitate the evaluation, EPA developed an interview guide with a standard set of questions for grantees, project partners, and assisted businesses. The interview guide will enable EPA to collect both qualitative and quantitative information on the accomplishments of the JTR grantees through either phone or onsite interviews. Grantees, for example, are asked to describe the lessons learned and challenges overcome in implementing and managing their projects as well as the results, such as the number of jobs created, amount of capital invested, volume of new capacity created, and volume of secondary materials actually used. EPA pilot tested the evaluation process and the discussion guide with six 1994 JTR grants. All participation in JTR project evaluation interviews is voluntary.