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David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions To Intervene, Protests, and Scoping Comments

November 30, 1998.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Major New License.

b. *Project No.:* P-2722-008.

c. *Dated filed:* August 21, 1998.

d. *Applicant:* PacifiCorp.

e. *Name of Project:* Pioneer Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Ogden River in Weber County, Utah. The project doesn't affect federal lands.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Randy Landolt, Director, Hydro resources, PacifiCorp, 920 SW Sixth Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97204, (503) 464-5339.

i. *FERC Contact:* Any questions on this notice can be addressed to Carl J. Keller, E-mail address carl.keller@ferc.fed.us, or telephone (202) 219-2831.

j. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene, protests, and scoping comments:* 60 days from the date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20426.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of that document on that resource agency.

k. *Status of Environmental Analysis:* This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

1. *Brief Description of Project:* The existing project consists of: (1) The existing intake structure; (2) a 75-inch diameter, 5.5-mile-long flowline; (3) a 27-foot-high by 28-foot-diameter surge tank; (4) a 6-foot-diameter, 4,000-foot-long steel penstock; (5) a brick powerhouse with two generating units with a total installed capacity of 5.0 megawatts; (6) a 3,000-foot-long, tailrace canal; (6) an 11,000-foot-long, 66-kV transmission line; and (7) appurtenant facilities.

m. *Location of the Application:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, D.C. 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. The application may be viewed on the web at www.ferc.fed.us. Call (202) 208-2222 for assistance. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

n. This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs: B1 and E1.

o. *Scoping:* The Commission intends to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act. In the EA, we will consider reasonable alternatives to the project as proposed by PacifiCorp, and analyze both site-specific and cumulative environmental impacts of the project, as well as, economic and engineering impacts.

The draft EA will be issued and circulated to those on the mailing list for this project. All comments filed on the draft EA will be analyzed by the staff and considered in a final EA. The staff's conclusions and recommendations presented in the final EA will then be presented to the Commission to assist in making a licensing decision.

We are asking agencies, Indian tribes, non-governmental organizations, and individuals to help us identify the scope of environmental issues that should be analyzed in the EA, and to provide us with information that may be useful in preparing the EA.

To help focus comments on the environmental issues, a scoping document outlining subject areas to be addressed in the EA will soon be mailed to those on the mailing list for the project. Those not on the mailing list may request a copy of the scoping document from the project coordinator (see item 1). A copy of the scoping

document may also be viewed on the web.

B1. *Protests or Motions to Intervene—* Anyone may submit a protest or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, and 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests 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 protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

E1. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—* The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time; therefore, the Commission is now requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

When the application is ready for environmental analysis, the Commission will issue a public notice requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST" or "MOTION TO INTERVENE;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies required by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Project Review, Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application.

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