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**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary,*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Surrender of Exemption and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

March 26, 1999.

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

- a. *Application Type:* Surrender of Exemption.
- b. *Project No.:* 7108-001.
- c. *Date Filed:* November 18, 1998.
- d. *Applicant:* Virginia Hydro, Inc.
- e. *Name of Project:* Grove Mill.
- f. *Location:* On the Middle River, in Augusta County, Virginia. The project does not utilize federal or tribal lands.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR 4.200.
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. John Pollack, P.O. Box 265, Batesville, VA 22924, (804) 823-7330.
- i. *FERC Contact:* Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Tom Papsidero at (202) 219-2715, or e-mail address: Thomas.Papsidero@ferc.fed.us.
- j. *Deadline for filing comments and/or motions:* May 3, 1999.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Mail Code: DLC, HL-11.1, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Please include the project number (7108-001) on any comments or motions filed.

k. *Description of Surrender:* Virginia Hydro, Inc., a corporation, requests to surrender the exemption for economic reasons as a result of hurricane damage at the project.

l. *Locations 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, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. This filing may be viewed on <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call (202) 208-2222 for

assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* B, C1, 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, NE., 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.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Western Area Power Administration

#### Record of Decision and Floodplain Statement for the Interconnection of the Southpoint Power Plant With the Western Area Power Administration's Parker-Davis No. 1 and No. 2, 230-kilovolt Transmission Lines (DOE/EIS-0308)

**AGENCY:** Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

**ACTION:** Record of Decision.

**SUMMARY:** Calpine Corporation (Calpine) applied for transmission service from the Western Area Power Administration (Western) for the Southpoint Power Plant Project. To accommodate the request, Western proposed to upgrade its transmission system in order to accommodate the incorporation of new generation into the system. This Record of Decision (ROD) and Statement of Findings has been prepared in accordance with Council on Environmental Quality regulations for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (40 CFR parts 1500-1508) and Department of Energy (DOE) Procedures for Implementing NEPA (10 CFR part 1021), and DOE's Floodplain/Wetland Review Requirements (10 CFR 1022). Western's decision for its action considered the environmental ramifications of the Southpoint Power Plant Project. Western has determined that no significant environmental impacts will result from construction, operation and maintenance of Calpine Corporation's Southpoint Power Plant, the two natural gas pipelines, or the approximately 7 miles of high voltage transmission lines, or from the upgrade of the Parker-Davis No. 1 230-kilovolt (kV) transmission line. Therefore, Western has decided to provide an interconnection with the plant and Western's transmission system in west central Arizona. However, Calpine has yet to obtain a permit from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) for the construction of the two natural gas pipelines. Western will reconsider this decision if Calpine fails to obtain the permit from the BLM.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. John Holt, Environment Manager, Desert Southwest Customer Service Region, Western Area Power Administration, P.O. Box 6457, Phoenix, AZ 85005, telephone (602) 352-2592, email [holt@wapa.gov](mailto:holt@wapa.gov). Copies of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and the Bureau of Indian Affairs ROD are available from Ms. Amy Heuslein,