

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission

[Project No. 1494-160 Oklahoma]

Grand River Dam Authority; Notice of
Availability of Final Environmental
Assessment

November 4, 1999.

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 F.R. 47910), the Office of Hydropower Licensing has prepared a final environmental assessment (FEA) for Grand River Dam Authority's proposal to permit Gene Gregg, d/b/a Tera Miranda Marina, (Permittee) to improve and enlarge an existing commercial marina facility located on the east side of Grand Lake's Monkey Island. The existing marina facility includes 20 boat docks with a total of 129 slips. The permittee requests permission to remove from the site an existing jetty and two manmade breakwaters and to install and operate certain additional facilities. The new proposed facilities include five new boat docks with a total of 116 slips, two floating breakwaters, a building containing showers and a restroom facility, and a waste disposal system. The Pensacola Project is on the Grand River, in Craig, Delaware, Mayes, and Ottawa Counties, Oklahoma.

The FEA is attached to a Commission order issued November 1, 1999 for the above application. Copies of the FEA can be obtained by calling the Commission's Public Reference Room at (202) 208-1371. In the FEA, staff concludes that approval of the licensee's proposal would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. For further information, please contact the project manager, Jon Cofrancesco at (202) 219-0079. This FEA may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (please call (202) 208-2222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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Federal Energy Regulatory
CommissionNotice of Application Accepted for
Filing and Soliciting Motions To
Intervene and Protests

November 4, 1999.

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.:* P-11817-000.

c. *Date Filed:* September 27, 1999.

d. *Applicant:* Universal Electric Power Corp.

e. *Name of Project:* Gibson Dam.

f. *Location:* On the North Fork Sun River, near the town of Simms, Teton County and Lewis and Clark County, Montana. The project would utilize federal lands administered by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Gregory S. Feltenberger, Universal Electric Power Corp., 1145 Highbrook Street, Akron, Ohio 44301, (330) 535-7115.

i. *FERC Contact:* William H. Diehl, E-mail address, William.Diehl@ferc.fed.us, or telephone (202) 219-2813.

j. *Deadline Date:* 60 days from the issuance 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, DC 20426.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure 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 the document on that resource agency.

k. The proposed project would utilize the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's existing Gibson Dam and would consist of: (1) five 300-foot-long steel penstocks 72 inches in diameter beginning at the existing outlet works; (2) a powerhouse containing five generating units totaling 15,000 kW; (3) a tailrace discharge and energy dissipation structure; (4) a 14.7-kV transmission line about 500 feet long; and (5) appurtenant facilities.

Applicant will finance all efforts required to conduct studies and to

prepare and file a license application. These studies and preparations are estimated to cost about \$2,000,000. Project energy would be sold to utility companies, corporations, municipalities, aggregators, or similar entities.

l. A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. This filing may be viewed on the web at <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.

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 the CFR 4.30(b) and 4.36.

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.

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.

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