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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2232]

Duke Power Company; Public Notice Public Information Meetings

November 18, 1999.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) will hold two public information meetings to familiarize the public with the Commission's hydropower licensing program. The Commission staff will give an overview of the Commission and its licensing procedures. There will be an opportunity for questions and answers. A significant number of hydroelectric projects' licenses will expire between 2000 and 2010, including the Duke Power Company's Catawaba-Wateree Project (Project No. 2232), located in Burke, Alexander, McDowell, Iredell, Caldwell, Lincoln, Catawaba, Gaston, and Mecklenburg Counties, North Carolina, and York, Chester, Lancaster, Fairfield and Kershaw Counties, South Carolina. The license for the Catawaba-Wateree Project expires in August 2008.

Interested persons are invited to attend either or both meetings scheduled as follows:

Wednesday, December 8, 1999

7:00 to 9:00 p.m., Auditorium, Rock Hill City Hall, 155 Johnston Street, Rock Hill, SC 29731

Thursday, December 9, 1999

7:00 to 9:00 p.m., Auditorium, Catawaba Valley Community College, 2550 Highway 70, SE., Hickory, NC 28602

Please direct any questions regarding these meeting either to Pennie Lewis-Partee, Commission Staff Outreach Support Coordinator, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 219-2722; Mike Struve, WPCOG Council of Governments, 736 Fourth Street, SW., Hickory, NC 28602, (828) 322-9191

(Ext. 148); or Mike Vead, Catawaba Regional Council of Governments, 215 Hampton Street, Rock Hill, SC 29731, (803) 327-9041.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PR00-2-000]

Lee 8 Storage Partnership; Notice of Petition for Rate Approval

November 18, 1999.

Take notice that on November 16, 1999, Lee 8 Storage Partnership (Lee 8) pursuant to Section 284.123(b)(2) of the Commission's regulations, a petition for rate approval requesting that the Commission approve its rates pursuant to Section 311(a)(2) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978. Lee 8 rates would be a system-wide maximum rate of \$2.7723 per Mcf deliverability and \$.0576 capacity charge. In addition, Lee 8 states that it will charge .79% of the injected volumes and .79% of the withdrawal volumes as an allowance for compressor fuel and lost-and-unaccounted-for gas on Lee 8's system.

Lee 8's petition states that Lee 8 is a Hinshaw pipeline exempt from Commission regulation under Section 11(c) of the NGA, with facilities located wholly within the state of Michigan.

Pursuant to Section 284.123(b)(2)(ii), if the Commission does not act within 150 days of the filing date of Lee 8's Petition, Lee 8's rates for firm and interruptible storage services will be deemed to be fair and equitable. The Commission may within such 150 day period extend the time for action or institute a proceeding in which all interested parties will be afforded an opportunity for written comments and the oral presentation of views, data and arguments.

Any person desiring to participate in this rate proceeding must file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). All motions must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission on or before December 3, 1999. This petition for rate approval is on file with the Commission and is available for public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/>

[online/rims.htm](http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm) (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-69-000]

Northwest Alaskan Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

November 18, 1999.

Take notice that on November 15, 1999 Northwest Alaskan Pipeline Company (Northwest Alaskan) tendered for filing to become part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Original Volume No. 2, Forty-Sixth Revised Sheet No. 5, proposed to be effective January 1, 2000.

Northwest Alaskan states that the instant filing is submitted pursuant to Section 4 of the Natural Gas Act, Section 9 of the Alaskan Natural Gas Transportation Act of 1976 and Part 154 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Regulations. Northwest Alaskan is submitting this filing pursuant to the provisions of the amended purchase agreements between Northwest Alaskan and Pan-Alberta Gas (U.S.), Inc. (PAG-US), and pursuant to Rate Schedules X-1, X-2 and X-3, which provide for Northwest Alaskan to file 45 days prior to the commencement of the next demand charge period (January 1, 2000 through June 30, 2000) the demand charges and demand charge adjustments which Northwest Alaskan will charge during the period.

Northwest Alaskan states that included in Appendix B attached to the filing are the workpapers supporting the derivation of the revised demand charge and demand charge adjustment reflected on the tariff sheet included therein.

Northwest Alaskan states that it is serving copies of the instant filing to its affected customers.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 or 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed in accordance with Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make

protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2145]

Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County, Washington; Notice of Scoping Meetings Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 for an Applicant Prepared Environmental Assessment

November 18, 1999.

The Commission's regulations at Section 4.34 allow applicants the option of preparing their own Environmental Assessment (EA) for hydropower projects, and filing the EA with their application as part of an alternative licensing procedure. On October 25, 1999, the Commission approved the use of an alternative licensing procedure in the preparation of a new license application for Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County's (Chelan PUD), Rocky Reach Project, No. 2145.

The alternative procedures include provisions for the distribution of an initial information package (IIP), and for the cooperative scoping of environmental issues and needed studies. On July 7, 1999, Chelan PUD distributed their IIP. A public meeting on the IIP, and tour of project facilities were held on August 26, 1999.

Chelan PUD intends to distribute Scoping Document 1 (SD1) the week of November 15, 1999. Copies of SD1 can be obtained by calling Rosana Sokolowski at 509-663-8121 or via the Chelan PUD internet web site located at <http://www.chelanpud.org>. Two public meetings will be held to discuss SD1.

Scoping Meetings

Chelan PUD will hold public scoping meetings on December 15 and 16, 1999, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969. At the scoping meetings, Chelan PUD will: (1) Summarize the environmental issues tentatively identified for analysis in the

EA; (2) outline any resources they believe would not require a detailed analysis; (3) identify reasonable alternatives to be addressed in the EA; (4) solicit from the meeting participants all available information, especially quantitative data, on the resources at issue; and (5) encourage statements from experts and the public on issues that should be analyzed in the EA.

Although Chelan PUD's intent is to prepare an EA, there is the possibility that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be required. Nevertheless, this meeting will satisfy the NEPA scoping requirements, irrespective of whether an EA or EIS is issued by the Commission.

The times and locations of the scoping meeting are:

Evening Scoping Meeting

December 15, 1999, 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm,
Chelan PUD Auditorium, 327 North Wenatchee Ave., Wenatchee, WA 98807

Morning Scoping Meeting

December 16, 1999, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm,
Chelan PUD Auditorium, 327 North Wenatchee Ave., Wenatchee, WA 98807

All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited and encouraged to attend any or all of the meetings to assist in identifying and clarifying the scope of environmental issues that should be analyzed in the EA.

Scoping Meeting Procedures

The meetings will be conducted according to the procedures used at Commission scoping meetings. Both scoping meetings will be recorded, and the transcripts will become part of the formal record of the proceedings for this project. Those who choose not to speak during the scoping meetings may instead submit written comments on the project.

Because this meeting will be a NEPA scoping meeting under the APEA process, the Commission does not intend to conduct a NEPA scoping meeting after Chelan PUD's application and EA are filed with the Commission. Instead, Commission staff will attend the meetings on December 15, and 16, 1999.

Commenting Deadline

Written comments should be mailed or e-mailed to: Mr. Gregg Carrington, Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County, Washington, P.O. Box 1231, Wenatchee, WA 98807-1231, gregg@chelanpud.org.

All correspondence should be postmarked no later than January 16,

2000. Comments should show the following caption on the first page: Scoping Comments, Rocky Reach Hydroelectric Project, Project No. 2145. Any comments sent to the Commission must include an original and eight copies and be addressed to: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. Please put the docket number, P-2145, on the first page.

For further information please contact Gregg Carrington of Chelan PUD at (509) 663-8121 or Vince Yearick of the Commission at (202) 219-3073.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Tendered for Filing, Soliciting Additional Study Requests, and Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests

November 18, 1999.

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

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

b. *Project No.:* 2866-008.

c. *Date Filed:* November 8, 1999.

d. *Applicant:* Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago.

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

f. *Location:* On the Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal, in Will County, Illinois. The project utilizes facilities of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Thomas K. O'Connor, Chief of Maintenance and Operations, or Gregory D. Cargill, Assistant Chief Engineer, General Division, Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, 100 East Erie Street, Chicago, IL 60611-5102, Telephone (312) 751-5102.

i. *FERC Contact:* Hector Perez, hector.perez@ferc.fed.us, 202-219-2843.

j. *Deadline for filing additional study requests:* January 7, 2000.

Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests: January 24, 2000.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy