

k. Description of Filing: The City of Norway proposes to change the project's present run-of-river mode of operation to a reregulating project to regulate the peaking flows released from Wisconsin electric's hydroelectric projects located upstream of the Sturgeon Falls project. The City of Norway proposes to raise the existing steel slide gates to raise the operating head from elevation 101.9 feet (Plant Datum or 830.1 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD)) to 102.8 feet (Plant Datum or 831.0 NGVD) and modify operations to release a continuous discharge that approximates the mean daily discharge from upstream hydropower projects, including the inflows from the Sturgeon River.

Reregulation of flows at the Sturgeon Falls Project is an integral component of the Wilderness Shores Settlement Agreement, which concerns the following Wisconsin Electric's (WE) relicensing applications pending before the Commission: Way Dam (P-1759), Hemlock Falls (P-2074), Lower Paint (P-2072), Peavy Falls (P-1759), Michigamme Falls (P-2073), Twin Falls (P-1759), Kingsford (P-2131), Big Quinesec Falls (P-1980), and surrender of license and removal of Sturgeon Project dam (P-2471). Therefore, this amendment request by the City of Norway will be coordinated with these other actions.

Status of Environmental Analysis: On March 25, 1996, the Director, Office of Hydropower Licensing approved WE's use of the Alternative Licensing Process. Scoping, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, for the project was conducted through scoping documents issued in July 1996 and January 1997, and in public scoping meetings on September 16 and 17, 1996. The draft amendment application and APEA were distributed by the applicant for comment on October 20, 1998.

The Commission staff has reviewed the amendment application and APEA and has determined that the application is acceptable for processing and no additional information or studies are needed to prepare the Commission's environmental assessment. Comments, as indicated above, are being requested from interested parties. The applicant must respond to those comments within 105 days from the date of this notice or may elect to seek a waiver of this deadline.

l. 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, 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.

*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.

*Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—*Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS" "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTESTS", 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.

*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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP00-21-000]

CNG Transmission Corporation; Notice of Technical Conference

December 2, 1999.

In the Commission's order issued on November 10, 1999,¹ the Commission directed that a technical conference be held to address issues raised by the filing.

Take notice that the technical conference will be held on Tuesday, December 14, 1999, at 10:00 a.m., in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20426.

All interested parties and Staff are permitted to attend.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-34213; FRL-6399-2]

Organophosphate Pesticides; Availability of Revised Risk Assessments

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of the revised risk assessments and related documents for two organophosphate pesticides, methidathion and oxydemeton methyl. In addition, this notice starts a 60-day public participation period during which the public is encouraged to submit risk management ideas or proposals. These actions are in response to a joint initiative between EPA and the Department of Agriculture (USDA) to increase transparency in the tolerance reassessment process for organophosphate pesticides.

DATES: Comments, identified by docket control numbers OPP-34172B for methidathion and OPP-34167B for oxydemeton methyl, must be received by EPA on or before February 7, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as

¹ 89 FERC ¶61,158.