

The Yadkin Project contains the following reservoirs: High Rock, Tuckertown, Narrows (Badin) and Falls.

Comments will be solicited on our DEA until April 17, 2000. The DEA was written by staff in the Commission's Office of Energy Projects. Commission staff believe the SMP would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. Copies of the DEA can be viewed on the web at www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm. Call (202) 208-2222 for assistance. Copies are also 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.

Anyone may file comments on the DEA. The public, federal and state resource agencies are encouraged to provide comments. All written comments must be filed by April 17, 2000. Send an original and eight copies of all comments marked with the project number P-2197-035 to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. If you have any questions regarding this notice, please call Steve Hocking at (202) 219-2656.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Request for Motions To Intervene and Protest

March 22, 2000.

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.* 11815-000.
- c. *Date filed*: September 7, 1999, and revised on October 21, 1999.
- d. *Applicant*: Harms Mill Power Company, Inc.
- e. *Name of Project*: Harms Mill Power Project.
- f. *Location*: At the existing Harms Mill Dam, on the Elk River, near the Town of Fayetteville, Lincoln County, Tennessee.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to*: Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact*: Mr. Curtis Hunter, Harms Mill Power Company,

Inc., P.O. Box 3281, Huntsville, Alabama 35810, (256) 851-6277 or Mr. Ted Randolph, Harms Mill Power Company, Inc., 391 Dan Tibbs Road, Huntsville, Alabama 35806, (256) 852-1214.

i. *FERC Contact*: Susan Tseng (202) 219-2798 or E-mail address at susan.tseng@FERC.fed.us.

j. *Comment Date*: May 30, 2000.

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. *Description of Project*: The proposed project would consist of the following facilities: (1) The existing Harms Mill Dam with a 250-foot-long spillway; (2) a 75-foot-long powerhouse having an installed capacity of 300 kilowatts; (3) a new 2.1-mile-long, 13-kV transmission line; and (4) appurtenant facilities. The proposed average annual generation is estimated to be 1,800 Megawatt hours. The cost of the studies under the permit will not exceed \$20,000.

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. The application 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.

Preliminary Permit—Anyone desiring to file a competing application for preliminary permit for a proposed project must submit the competing application itself, or a notice of intent to file such an application, to the Commission on or before the specified comment date for the particular application (see 18 CFR 4.36). Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing preliminary permit application no later than 30 days after the specified comment date for the particular application. A competing

preliminary permit application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30(b) and 4.36.

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 18 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 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", "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION", "COMPETING APPLICATION", "PROTEST", "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. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Project Review, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above-mentioned address. A copy of any notice of intent, competing application or 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.

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c. *Dated filed:* September 27, 1999.

d. *Applicant:* Universal Electric Power Corporation.

e. *Name of Project:* Fresno Dam Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Milk River, near the town of Havre, Hill County, Montana, utilizing 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.

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k. *Description of Project:* The proposed project would utilize the existing Fresno Dam and Reservoir with lands owned by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, and would consist of: (1) A steel penstock, about 150-foot-long and 9-foot-in-diameter; (2) a new 60-foot-long, 30-foot-wide, 30-foot-high powerhouse to be constructed on the downstream side of the dam; (3) two turbine/generator units having a total installed capacity of 3 megawatts; (4) a new 100-foot-long, 14.7-kilovolt transmission line; and (5) appurtenant facilities.

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