

prior license until a new license is issued, or the project is otherwise disposed of as provided in section 15 or any other applicable section of the FPA. If the project's prior license waived the applicability of section 15 of the FPA, then, based on section 9(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 558(c), and as set forth at 18 CFR 16.21(a), if the licensee of such project has filed an application for a subsequent license, the licensee may continue to operate the project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the license after the minor or minor part license expires, until the Commission acts on its application. If the licensee of such a project has not filed an application for a subsequent license, then it may be required, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.21(b), to continue project operations until the Commission issues someone else a license for the project or otherwise orders disposition of the project.

If the project is subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that an annual license for Project No. 2161 is issued to for a period effective July 1, 2000, through June 30, 2001, or until the issue of a new license for the project or other disposition under the FPA, whichever comes first. If issuance of a new license (or other disposition) does not take place on or before June 30, 2001, notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.18(c), an annual license under section 15(a)(1) of the FPA is renewed automatically without further order or notice by the Commission, unless the Commission orders otherwise.

If the project is not subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that Rhinelander Paper Company is authorized to continue operation of the Rhinelander Project No. 2161 until such time as the Commission acts on its application for subsequent license.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 1895]

South Carolina Electric and Gas Company; Notice of Authorization for Continued Project Operation

July 13, 2000.

On June 30, 1998, South Carolina Electric and Gas Company, licensee for the Columbia Project No. 1895, filed an

application for a new or subsequent license pursuant to the Federal Act (FPA) and the Commission's regulations thereunder. Project No. 1895 is located on the Broad and Congaree Rivers in Richland County and the City of Columbia, South Carolina.

The license for Project No. 1895 was issued for a period ending June 30, 2000. Section 15(a)(1) of the EPA, 16 U.S.C. 808(a)(1), requires the Commission, at the expiration of a license term, to issue from year to year an annual license to the then licensee under the terms and conditions of the prior license until a new license is issued, or the project is otherwise disposed of as provided in Section 15 or any other applicable section of the FPA. If the project's prior license waived the applicability of Section 15 of the FPA, then, based on Section 9(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 558(c), and as set forth at 18 CFR 16.21(a), if the licensee of such project has filed an application for a subsequent license, the licensee may continue to operate the project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the license after the minor or minor part license expires, until the Commission acts on its application. If the licensee of such a project has not filed an application for a subsequent license, then it may be required, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.21(b), to continue project operations until the Commission issues someone else a license for the project or otherwise orders disposition of the project.

If the project is subject to Section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that an annual license for Project No. 1895 is issued to South Carolina Electric and Gas Company for a period effective July 1, 2000, through June 30, 2001, or until the issuance of a new license for the project or other disposition under the FPA, whichever comes first. If issuance of a new license (or other disposition) does not take place on or before June 30, 2001, notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.18(c), an annual license under section 15(a)(1) of the FPA is renewed automatically without further order or notice by the Commission, unless the Commission orders otherwise.

If the project is not subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that South Carolina Electric and Gas Company is authorized to continue operation of the Columbia Project No. 1895 until such time as the Commission

acts on its application for subsequent license.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ES00-48-000, et al.]

Texas-New Mexico Power Company, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

July 12, 2000.

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

1. Texas-New Mexico Power Company

[Docket No. ES00-48-000]

Take notice that on June 29, 2000, Texas-New Mexico Power Company submitted an application pursuant to section 204 of the Federal Power Act seeking authorization to make short-term borrowings under a bank syndicated revolving credit agreement in an amount not to exceed \$325 million.

Comment date: August 2, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. Citizens Utilities Company

[Docket No. ER00-3078-000]

Take notice that on July 6, 2000, Citizens Utilities Company (Citizens), tendered for filing on behalf of itself and The Legacy Energy Group, LLC, a Service Agreement for Non-Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service under Citizens' Open Access Transmission Tariff. Also Citizens tendered for filing a revised Attachment E, Index of Point-to-Point Transmission Service Customers to update the Open Access Transmission Tariff of the Vermont Electric Division of Citizens Utilities Company.

Comment date: July 27, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

3. K2 Development LLC

[Docket No. ER00-3092-000]

Take notice that on July 6, 2000, K2 Development LLC, tendered a Notice of Name Change pursuant to Sections 35.16 and 131.51 of the Commission's Regulations, 18 CFR 35.16 and 131.51.

Comment date: July 27, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

4. Ameren Services Company

[Docket No. ER00-3093-000]

Take notice that on July 7, 2000, Ameren Services Company (ASC), tendered for filing a Service Agreement for Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Services between ASC and Entergy Power Marketing Corp. (Entergy). ASC asserts that the purpose of the Agreement is to permit ASC to provide transmission service to Entergy pursuant to Ameren's Open Access Transmission Tariff filed in Docket No. ER96-677-004.

Comment date: July 28, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

5. Consumers Energy Company and International Transmission Company

[Docket No. ER00-3094-000]

Take notice that on July 7, 2000, Consumers Energy Company and International Transmission Company tendered for filing their joint open access transmission tariff, Original Volume 1, pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 824d (1994).

Comment date: July 28, 2000, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraphs

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such filing should 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 such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. 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 proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of these filings are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet 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****Notice of Application Ready for Environmental Analysis and Soliciting Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Prescriptions**

July 13, 2000.

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.:* 2047-004.

c. *Date filed:* June 23, 1998.

d. *Applicant:* Erie Boulevard Hydropower, L.P..

e. *Name of Project:* Stewarts Bridge Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Sacandaga River, about 3 miles upstream from its confluence with the Hudson River, in the town of Hadley, Saratoga County, New York. The project would not utilize federal lands.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Jerry L. Sabattis, Hydro Licensing Coordinator, 225 Greenfield Parkway, Suite 201, Liverpool, New York 13088, (315) 413-2787.

i. *FERC Contact:* Lee Emery, E-mail address, Lee.Emery@ferc.fed.us, or telephone (202) 219-2779.

j. *Deadline for comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions:* 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 intervenor 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. *Status of environmental analysis:* This application has been accepted for filing and is ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. *Description of the Project:* The existing, operating project consists of: (1) A 1,860-foot-long dam consisting of: (a) A 1,646-foot-long rolled, compacted

earth-fill structure 112 feet high at its highest point (crest elevation of 714.0 feet) with a base that varies from 120 feet to 680 feet in width; (b) a reinforced concrete Taintor gate spillway measuring 151 feet long, 49.7 feet wide, and 34 feet high, containing five 27-foot-long by 14.5-foot-high steel Taintor gates; (c) a 63-foot-long reinforced concrete intake structure equipped with two 25-foot-high by 22-foot-wide steel gates with 3⁵/₈-inch clear spaced steel bar trashracks located directly in front of the gates; and (d) a 29-foot-wide roadway along the crest of the dam; (2) a reservoir (Stewart's Bridge Reservoir) with a surface area of 480 acres at a normal water surface elevation of 705.0 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum; (3) a 10-foot-diameter, plugged diversion conduit used to pass river flows during project construction; (4) an 850-foot-long plastic concrete seepage barrier constructed through the impervious dam core; (5) a 216-foot-long, 22-foot inside diameter steel penstock; (6) an 88-foot-long by 78-foot-wide brick-faced structural steel framed powerhouse with one vertical Francis turbine/generator unit; (7) a tailrace which extends 450 feet downstream from the powerhouse; (8) an outdoor transformer, switching station, and 400-foot-long transmission line; and (9) appurtenant facilities. There is no bypassed reach. The project has an installed capacity of 30.0 megawatts and an annual average energy production of 118,678 megawatt hours.

The project currently operates as a peaking facility in tandem with the upstream E.J. West Project (P-2318), generating 12 hours a day (typically between 8 AM to 10 PM). Daily reservoir fluctuations are less than one foot most of the year except for maintenance drawdowns that approach 15 feet and are timed to coincide with the drawdowns of Great Sacandaga Lake which begin in mid-March.

m. *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 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.

*Filing and Service or Responsive Documents—*The application is ready for environmental analysis at this time, and the Commission is requesting comments, reply comments,