

security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, and compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approval of Westcoast's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is September 29, 2000.

Copies of the full text of the Order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The Order 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

[Docket No. RP00-515-000]

#### Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C.; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

September 6, 2000.

Take notice that on August 31, 2000, Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C. (Maritimes) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheets to become effective as indicated:

*To Be Effective on March 27, 2000*

First Revised Sheet No. 246  
First Revised Sheet No. 250  
First Revised Sheet No. 253  
First Revised Sheet No. 254  
First Revised Sheet No. 258  
First Revised Sheet No. 259

*To Be Effective on September 1, 2000*

First Revised Sheet No. 227

Maritimes states that the purpose of this filing is to comply with the requirements of Order No. 637 regarding the waiver of the rate ceiling for short-term capacity release transactions and the prospective limitations on the availability of the Right-of-First-Refusal.

Maritimes states that copies of the filing were mailed to all affected

customers and interested state commissions.

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, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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

#### Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests

September 6, 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 the confluence with the Hudson River, in the town of Hadley, Saratoga County, New York. The project would not utilize federal funds.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* 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](mailto:Lee.Emery@ferc.fed.us), 202-219-2779.

j. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protest:* 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 interveners filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervener 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 project consists of the following existing facilities:* (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 3<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>-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 8:00 AM to 10:00 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.

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., 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.

Protests or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit a protest or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, and 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests 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 protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time; therefore, the Commission is not now requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

When the application is ready for environmental analysis, the Commission will issue a public notice requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST" or "MOTION TO INTERVENE;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies required 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 Environmental and Engineering

Review, Office of Energy Projects, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application.

**David P. Boergers,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Amendment of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

September 6, 2000.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Amendment of license for the non-project use of project lands and waters: to allow the City of Columbus Water Works (CWW) to increase its average daily withdrawal of water from Lake Oliver for domestic and industrial consumption in the Columbus, Georgia region.

b. *Project No:* 2177-041

c. *Date Filed:* August 24, 2000

d. *Applicant:* Georgia Power Company

e. *Name of Project:* Middle Chattahoochee Project

f. *Location:* Muscogee County, Georgia

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Mike Phillips, Georgia Power Company, Bin 10151, 241 Ralph McGill Blvd. NE., Atlanta, GA 30308-3374, (404) 506-2392.

i. *FERC Contact:* Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Jim Haimes at (202) 219-2780, or e-mail address: [james.haimes@ferc.fed.us](mailto:james.haimes@ferc.fed.us)

j. *Deadline for filing comments and or motions:* 30 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.

Please include the project number (P-2177-041) on any comments or motions filed.

k. *Description of Project:* Georgia Power Company (GPC), licenses, requests Commission authorization to permit the CWW to increase the rate of water withdrawal at its existing pumping station at Lake Oliver reservoir

from 31.5 million gallons per day (MGD) currently to 90.0 MGD, which is equivalent to 140 cubic feet per second. Existing pumps at the site are able to accommodate this increased water withdrawal; consequently, the proposed action would not involve any land-disturbing or new construction activities on project lands. Further, GPC requests that the Commission allow the licensee to recover from CWW adequate compensation for the electric energy and capacity value lost to GPC's hydroelectric developments as a consequence of CWW's water withdrawals from Lake Oliver.

l. *Locations of the application:* Copies of the application are 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 also may be viewed on the Web at [www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm](http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm). Call (202) 208-2222 for assistance. Copies of the application also are available for inspection and reproduction at the addresses in item h above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list for the proposed amendment of license 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," "PROTEST," 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