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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Douglas A. Spalding, SAF Hydroelectric LLC., C/O Spalding Consultants, 1433 Utica Avenue South, Suite 162, Minneapolis, MN 55416.

i. *FERC Contact:* Robert Bell, (202) 219-2806.

j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene, protests and comments: 60 days from the 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. Comments and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm>.

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 in 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. *Description of Project:* The proposed project would utilize the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's Lower St. Anthony Falls Lock and Dam and reservoir and would consist of: (1) A proposed intake; (2) a proposed powerhouse containing one generating unit having an installed capacity of 5MW; (3) a proposed 15 kV transmission line; and (4) appurtenant facilities.

The project would have an annual generation of 39.42 GWh that would be sold to a local utility.

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.

m. 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, 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.

n. 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.

o. 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.

p. 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.

q. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rule 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.

r. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "Comments", "Notice of Intent To File 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 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 Hydropower Administration and Compliance, 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.

s. 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.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Intent To File Application for a New License

February 20, 2001.

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

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File an Application for New License.

b. *Project No:* 620.

c. *Date Filed:* January 29, 2001.

d. *Submitted By:* NorQuest Seafood Inc.

e. *Name of Project:* Chignik.

f. *Location:* On Indian Creek, in Chignik, Alaska.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Section 15 of the Federal Power Act, 18 CFR 16.6.

h. Pursuant to Section 16.19 of the Commission's regulations, the licensee is required to make available the information described in Section 16.7 of the regulations. Such information is available from the licensee at NorQuest Seafoods, Inc. Main Office, 4225 23rd Ave. W., Seattle, Washington 98199. Contact: Ron Soule at 206-281-7022 or email rsoule@norquest.com.

i. *FERC Contact*: Vincent Jones 202 219-2710 vincent.jones@ferc.fed.us.

j. *Expiration Date of Current License*: October 4, 2005.

k. *Project Description*: Project consists of a single turbine nozzle driving a 60 kilowatt generator located in the cannery at the end of this wood stave and steel pipeline.

l. The licensee states its unequivocal intent to submit an application for a new license for Project No. 620. Pursuant to 18 CFR 16.9(b)(1) each application for a new license and any competing license applications must be filed with the Commission at least 24 months prior to the expiration of the existing license. All applications for license for this project must be filed by October 4, 2003.

A copy of the notice of intent 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 notice 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.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 11856-000]

City of Lockport, New York; Notice Rejecting Application for Preliminary Permit

February 20, 2001.

On August 8, 2000, the City of Lockport, New York (Lockport), filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to Section 5 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C. 798, for the Independence Transmission Line Project, located in Lockport, Niagara County, New York. Following notice of the application, timely motions to

intervene were filed by Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (Niagara Mohawk) and Erie Boulevard Hydropower, L.P. (Erie).¹ Lockport seeks a preliminary permit for a project comprising solely the existing Hydraulic Race-Lockport #751 transmission line, a 12-kilovolt line approximately 8,590 feet in length, owned by Niagara Mohawk. The line connects the exempted Project No. 2424, owned by Erie, to Niagara Mohawk's Lockport Substation.

The Commission does not have jurisdiction over transmission lines connected to exempted projects.² It has jurisdiction only over primary transmission lines that transmit power from a licensed water power project or other hydroelectric project authorized by Congress.³ Since the Commission cannot license the line, it does not entertain applications for a preliminary permit therefor. Accordingly, the application for a preliminary permit is rejected.

This notice constitutes final agency action. Requests for rehearing by the Commission of this rejection may be filed within 30 days of the date of issuance of this notice, pursuant to 18 CFR 385.713.

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, Protests, and Comments

February 20, 2001.

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.*: 11878-000.
- c. *Date filed*: January 31, 2001.
- d. *Applicant*: Pacific NW Power LLC.
- e. *Name of Project*: East Fork Ditch Project.
- f. *Location*: On the East Fork Weiser River, in Adams County, Idaho. Would occupy land administered by the U.S. Forest Service.

¹ As the motions to intervene were timely and not opposed, they are automatically granted, pursuant to 18 CFR 385.214(c) (2000).

² See Order No. 76, FERC Stats. & Regs., Reg. Preambles ¶ 30,146 (1980).

³ See 18 CFR 4.70 (2000).

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

h. *Applicant Contact*: Mr. John Crockett, Pacific NW Power LLC., 3296 Snowflake Way, Boise, ID 83706 (208) 344-5319.

i. *FERC Contact*: Robert Bell, (202) 219-2806.

j. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene, protests and comments*: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

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k. *Description of Project*: The proposed project would utilize the existing irrigation East Fork Ditch and would consist of: (1) a proposed intake structure; (2) a proposed 10,000-foot-long, 30-inch diameter penstock; (3) a proposed powerhouse containing one generating unit having an installed capacity of 2.5 MW; (4) a proposed 1,900-foot-long, 69 kV transmission line; and (5) appurtenant facilities.

The project would have an annual generation of 9.6 GWh that would be sold to a local utility.

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