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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2197-042, North Carolina]

Alcoa Power Generating Inc.; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

March 13, 2001.

An environmental assessment (EA) is available for public review. The EA analyzes the environmental impacts of an application by Alcoa Power Generating Inc. (Alcoa) to grant a permit to KEJ Marketing Co., Inc. for the construction of four boat docks with a total of 48 boat slips and one boat ramp on Narrows reservoir, part of the Yadkin Hydroelectric Project. Alcoa proposes to grant a second permit to Heron Bay Homeowners Association for the use and operation of the above facilities. Alcoa is the licensee for the Yadkin Project which is on the Yadkin/Pee Dee River in Montgomery, Stanly, Davidson, Rowan, and Davie Counties, North Carolina. The Yadkin Project contains the following reservoirs: High Rock, Tuckertown, Narrows (Badin), and Falls. The project does not occupy any federal lands.

The EA was written by staff in the Office of Energy Projects, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Commission staff believe approving Alcoa's application would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. Copies of the EA 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.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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

March 13, 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.:* P-11884-000.
 - c. *Date Filed:* February 7, 2001.
 - d. *Applicant:* City of Twin Falls, Idaho.
 - e. *Name of Project:* Auger Falls Project.
 - f. *Location:* On the Snake River, in Twin Falls County, Idaho. No federal facilities or land would be used.
 - g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. §§ 791(a)-825(r).
 - h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Tom Courtney, City Manager, 321 Second Avenue East, P.O. Box 1907, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-1907, (208) 735-7271.
 - i. *FERC Contact:* Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Robert Bell at (202) 219-2806.
 - j. *Deadline Date:* 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.
 - k. *Competing Application:* Project No. 11871-000, Date Filed: January 11, 2001, Due Date: April 12, 1999.
- 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, recommendations, interventions, and protests, may be electronically filed 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.

l. *Description of Project:* The proposed project would consist of: (1) A proposed 340-foot-long, 12-foot-high concrete diversion structure; (2) a proposed impoundment having a surface area of 50 acres with negligible storage and a

normal water surface elevation of 2,118 feet msl; (3) a three proposed 670-foot-long, 12-foot-diameter steel penstocks; (4) a proposed powerhouse containing three generating units having a total installed capacity of 43.6 MW; (5) a proposed 0.75-mile-long, 138 kV transmission line; and (6) appurtenant facilities.

Applicant estimates that the average annual generation would be 157.6 GWh and would be sold to local utility.

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., Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call (202) 208-2222 or assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

n. *Preliminary Permit*—Public notice of the filing of the initial preliminary permit application, which has already been given, established the due date for filing competing preliminary permit applications or notices of intent. Any competing preliminary permit or development application or notice of intent to file a competing preliminary permit or development application must be filed in response to and in compliance with the public notice of the initial preliminary permit application. No competing applications or notices of intent to file competing applications may be filed in response to this notice. A competing license application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30 (b) and 4.36.

o. *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.

p. *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