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**Statutory Authority:** Section 3506(c)(2)(A) and Section 3507(h)(i) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Docket Nos. EA-212-A and EA-213-A]

### Application To Export Electric Energy; Coral Power, L.L.C.

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of applications.

**SUMMARY:** Under two separate applications, Coral Power, L.L.C. (Coral) has applied for renewal of its authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Mexico and from the United States to Canada pursuant to section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act.

**DATES:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before August 9, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: Office of Coal & Power Imports/Exports (FE-27), Office of Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0350 (FAX 202-287-5736).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Steven Mintz (Program Office) 202-586-9506 or Michael Skinker (Program Attorney) 202-586-2793.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated and require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On June 9, 1999, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy

(DOE) authorized Coral to transmit electric energy from the United States to Mexico using the international electric transmission facilities of San Diego Gas and Electric Company, El Paso Electric Company, Central Power and Light Company, and Comision Federal de Electricidad, the national utility of Mexico. That two-year authorization (Order EA-212) will expire on August 13, 2001.

On August 13, 1999, FE authorized Coral to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada using the international electric transmission facilities owned by Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Bonneville Power Authority, Citizens Utilities, Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative, International Transmission, Joint Owners of the Highgate Project, Long Sault, Inc., Maine Electric Power Company, Maine Public Service Company, Minnesota Power, Inc., Minnkota Power Cooperative, New York Power Authority, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, Northern States Power, Vermont Electric Transmission Company. That two-year authorization (Order EA-213) will expire on August 13, 2001.

On June 27, 2001, Coral filed two applications with FE for renewal of both of the above export authorizations.

DOE notes that the circumstances described in these applications are virtually identical to those for which export authority had previously been granted in FE Order EA-212 and FE Order EA-213. Consequently, DOE believes that it has adequately satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 through the documentation of a categorical exclusion in the FE Docket EA-212 and FE Docket EA-213 proceedings.

**Procedural Matters:** Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding or to be heard by filing comments or protests to these applications should file a petition to intervene, comment or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the FERC's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of each petition and protest should be filed with the DOE on or before the date listed above.

Comments on the Coral application to export electric energy to Mexico should be clearly marked with Docket EA-212-A. Comments on the Coral application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with Docket EA-213-A. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Andrea M. Settanni, Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P., 2000 K

Street, NW., Suite 500, Washington, DC 20006-1872 AND Robert Reilley, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs, Coral Power, L.L.P., 909 Fannin, Suite 700, Houston, TX 77010.

Copies of these applications will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above or by accessing the Fossil Energy Home Page at <http://www.fe.doe.gov>. Upon reaching the Fossil Energy Home page, select "Electricity", then "Pending Procedures" from the options menus.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Docket No. EA-145-B]

### Application To Export Electric Energy; Powerex Corp.

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** Powerex Corp. (Powerex), formerly the British Columbia Power Exchange Corporation, has applied for renewal of its authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Mexico pursuant to section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act.

**DATES:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before August 9, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: Office of Coal & Power Imports/Exports (FE-27), Office of Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0350 (FAX 202-287-5736).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Steven Mintz (Program Office) 202-586-9506 or Michael Skinker (Program Attorney) 202-586-6667.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On May 30, 1997, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) issued an Order (FE Order No. EA-145) authorizing Powerex to transmit electric energy from the United States to Mexico as a power marketer using the international electric transmission facilities of San Diego Gas and Electric Company. That two-year authorization expired on May 30, 1999. On April 15, 1999, Powerex filed an application with FE for renewal of this export authority

and requested that the Order be issued for an additional two-year term. On June 18, 1999, DOE issued FE Order No. EA-145-A granting that request. That two-year authorization expired on June 18, 2001. On June 19, 2001, Powerex filed an application with FE for renewal of this export authority and requested that the Order be issued for an additional two-year term.

DOE notes that the circumstances described in this application are virtually identical to those for which export authority had previously been granted in FE Order EA-145. Consequently, DOE believes that it has adequately satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 through the documentation of a categorical exclusion in the FE Docket EA-145 proceeding.

*Procedural Matters:* Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding or to be heard by filing comments or protests to this application should file a petition to intervene, comment or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the FERC's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of each petition and protest should be filed with the DOE on or before the date listed above.

Comments on the Powerex request to export to Mexico should be clearly marked with Docket EA-145-B. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Mr. Douglas Little, Vice President, Trade Policy & Development, Powerex Corp., 666 Burrard Street, Suite 1400, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6C 2X8, and Ms. Lisa Cherkas, Manager, Trade Policy, Powerex Corp., 666 Burrard Street, Suite 1400, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6C 2X8.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above or by accessing the Fossil Energy Home Page at <http://www.fe.doe.gov>. Upon reaching the Fossil Energy Home page, select "Regulatory Programs," then "Electricity Regulation," and then "Pending Proceedings" from the options menus.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Docket No. EA-243]

### Application To Export Electric Energy; Tenaska Power Services Company

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** Tenaska Power Services Co. (Tenaska Power) has applied for authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada pursuant to section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act.

**DATES:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before August 9, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, protests or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: Office of Coal & Power Imports/Exports (FE-27), Office of Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0350 (FAX 202-287-5736).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Xavier Puslowski (Program Office) 202-586-4708 or Michael Skinker (Program Attorney) 202-586-2793.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated and require authorization under section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On June 4, 2001, the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of the Department of Energy (DOE) received an application from Tenaska Power to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada. Tenaska Power, a Nebraska Corporation with its principal place of business in Texas, is engaged in the marketing and trading of electricity at wholesale. Tenaska Power does not own or control any electric power generation or transmission facilities and does not have a franchised power service.

Tenaska Power proposes to arrange for the delivery of electric energy to Canada over the existing international transmission facilities owned by Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Bonneville Power Administration, Citizens Utilities, Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative, International Transmission, Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative, Joint Owners of the Highgate Project, Long Sault, Inc., Maine Electric Power Company, Maine Public Service Company, Minnesota Power Inc., Minnkota Power Cooperative, New York Power Authority, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, Northern States Power, and Vermont Electric Transmission Company. The construction, operation,

and connection of each of the international transmission facilities to be utilized by Tenaska Power, as more fully described in the application, has previously been authorized by a Presidential permit issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended.

*Procedural Matters:* Any person desiring to become a party to this proceeding or to be heard by filing comments or protests to this application should file a petition to intervene, comment or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the FERC's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of each petition and protest should be filed with the DOE on or before the date listed above.

Comments on the Tenaska Power application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with Docket EA-243. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Norma Rosner Iacovo, Assistant General Counsel, Tenaska Power Services Co., 1701 E. Lamar Boulevard, Suite 100, Arlington, TX 76006 and Neil L. Levy, Esq., Kirkland & Ellis, 655 Fifteenth Street, NW., Suite 1200, Washington, DC 20005.

A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and a determination is made by the DOE that the proposed action will not adversely impact on the reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above or by accessing the Fossil Energy Home Page at <http://www.fe.doe.gov>. Upon reaching the Fossil Energy Home page, select "Regulatory Programs," then "Electricity Regulation," and then "Pending Proceedings" from the options menus.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[Docket No. EA-216-A]

### Application To Export Electric Energy; TransAlta Energy Marketing (U.S.) Inc.

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.