

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to: Dr. Jerry Pell, NEPA Document Manager, Office of Fossil Energy (FE-27), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington DC 20585-0350; telephone 301-903-2617; facsimile: 202-318-7761; or electronic mail at Jerry.Pell@hq.doe.gov.

For general information on the DOE's NEPA process, contact: Carol Borgstrom, Director, Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance (EH-42), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington DC 20585; telephone: 202-586-4600; or leave a message at 800-472-2756.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 17, 2000, TEP filed an application with the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of DOE for a Presidential permit to construct a double-circuit, 345,000-volt electric transmission line across the U.S.-Mexican border. Both circuits would be constructed on a single set of support structures. DOE has determined that the issuance of a Presidential permit for this project would constitute a major Federal action that may have a significant impact upon the environment within the meaning of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). For this reason, DOE will prepare an EIS to address reasonably foreseeable impacts from the proposed action and the range of reasonable alternatives.

On July 10, 2001, DOE published in the **Federal Register** (66 FR 35950) a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an EIS and to conduct public scoping meetings in the vicinity of the proposed line. The public scoping period was to continue until August 9, 2001. However, to ensure that the public has ample opportunity to provide comments, DOE is extending until August 31, 2001, the period during which it will receive comments for consideration in establishing the scope and content of the EIS. Comments received after August 31, 2001, will be considered to the extent practicable. Further information on this proceeding is contained in the previously published NOI.

Issued in Washington, DC, on July 24, 2001.

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Deputy Director, Electric Power Regulation, Office of Coal & Power Import/Export, Office of Coal & Power Systems, Office of Fossil Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 184-065]

El Dorado Irrigation District, California; Notice of Public Meeting

July 23, 2001.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) is reviewing the application for a new license for the El Dorado Project (FERC No.184), which was filed on February 22, 2000. The El Dorado Project, licensed to the El Dorado Irrigation District (EID), is located on the South Fork American River, in El Dorado, Alpine, and Amador Counties, California. The project occupies lands of the Eldorado National Forest.

The EID, several state and Federal agencies, and several non-governmental agencies have agreed to ask the Commission for time to work collaboratively with a facilitator to resolve certain issues relevant to this proceeding. The purpose of this two-day meeting is to prepare a request to the Commission for time to conduct collaborative discussions and to develop protocols by which the collaborative group would operate. We invite the participation of all interested governmental agencies, non-governmental organizations, and the general public in this meeting.

The meeting will be held on Monday, August 6 and Tuesday, August 7, 2001, from 9 am until 4 pm in the Marriott Sacramento, located at 11211 Point East Drive, Rancho Cordova, California.

For further information, please contact Elizabeth Molloy at (202) 208-0771 or John Mudre at (202) 219-1208.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL01-105-000]

The New Power Company, Complainant v. PJM Interconnection, L.L.C., Respondent; Notice of Complaint

July 20, 2001.

Take notice that on July 19, 2001, The New Power Company (New Power) filed a complaint requesting that the Commission find that (1) the rules for

ensuring reliable electric service in the Pennsylvania-New Jersey-Maryland (PJM) control area have resulted in prices for capacity in the PJM auction and bilateral markets that are unjust and unreasonable, and (2) the continued imposition of the existing capacity requirement and deficiency charge on load serving entities (LSEs) under the current changed circumstances resulting from restructuring, is unjust and unreasonable, and unduly discriminatory and preferential. New Power further requests that the Commission order PJM to eliminate immediately the recently imposed seasonal deficiency penalty and set the Capacity Deficiency Rate (CDR) on a daily basis at the higher of the marginal cost of the least efficient capacity resource required to make up the deficiency on that day or the Alternate Value, i.e., the difference between the energy prices on that day at the Cinergy Hub and PJM's Western Hub.

New Power requests that the Commission set a refund effective date of 60 days from the date of filing of its complaint.

Copies of New Power's filing were served on PJM, all parties to PJM's Reliability Assurance Agreement and each state electric utility regulatory commission in the PJM control area.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this 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 must be filed on or before August 3, 2001. 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. Answers to the complaint shall also be due on or before August 3, 2001. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments, protests and interventions 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 under the "e-Filing" link.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP01-400-000]

Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation; Notice of Application

Issued July 23, 2001.

Take notice that on July 12, 2001, Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation (Applicant), P.O. Box 1396, Houston, Texas, 77251, filed in Docket No. CP01-400-000 an application pursuant to Section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act for permission and approval to abandon the transportation of natural gas provided under Transco's Rate Schedules X-158 and X-253 for Southern Natural Gas Company (Southern). Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing may be viewed at the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

Applicant states that it has not transported gas pursuant to Rate Schedule X-158 since 1989 and Rate Schedule X-253 since 1994. Applicant asserts that it does not propose to abandon any facility pursuant to the authorization sought herein and that no service to any of its customers will be affected by the abandonment authorization requested herein. Further, Applicant asserts there is no outstanding imbalance due any party. By letter signed December 6, 2000 Southern has consented to the proposed abandonment.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest this application should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20426, on or before August 10, 2001, in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding.

Any person wishing to become a party to the proceeding or to participate as a

party in any hearing therein must file a petition to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules. Comments, protests, and interventions 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 under "e-Filing" link.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission on this application if no petition to intervene is filed within the time required herein. At that time, the Commission, on its own review of the matter will determine whether granting the abandonment is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a petition for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Applicant to appear or be represented at the hearing.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, Protests Recommendations, and Terms and Conditions

July 23, 2001.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Conduit Exemption.

b. *Project No:* 12072-000.

c. *Date Filed:* July 2, 2001.

d. *Applicant:* American Falls Reservoir District No. 2/ Big Wood Canal Company.

e. *Name of Project:* 933 Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The proposed project would be located on the North Gooding Main Canal in Lincoln County, Idaho. The applicant is an irrigation district that owns the canal system and the

lands the powerhouse and diversion would occupy. The penstock would cross federal lands.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Lynn Harmon, Manager, American Falls Reservoir District No. 2/Big Wood Canal Company, P.O. Box C, Shoshone, ID 83352. (208) 866-2331

i. *FERC Contact:* Mr. Lynn R. Miles, Sr. (202) 219-2671.

j. *Status of Environmental Analysis:* This application is ready for environmental analysis at this time—see the following paragraphs about filing responsive documents.

k. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene, protests and comments:* September 4, 2001.

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 (12072-000) on any comments, protests, motions filed.

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 4-foot-high 50-foot-long diversion structure, (2) a 4-foot-high 6-foot-wide 20-foot-long concrete reinforced inlet, (3) an 8-foot-diameter 1900-foot-long steel penstock, (4) a powerhouse containing one turbine/generating unit with an installed capacity of 720 kW, (5) primary transmission lines extending from the powerhouse to Idaho Power Company's 46 kv transmission line approximately 3 miles away, and (6) appurtenant facilities.

The project would have an annual generation of 2.7 GWh.

m. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" and follow the instructions ((202)208-2222 for assistance). Comments, protests and interventions 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 under the "e-Filing" link. A copy is