

- Use of Existing Borrow Areas, Hanford Site, Richland, Washington, DOE/EA-1403, FONSI October 2001;
- Transuranic Waste Retrieval from the 218-W-4B and 218-W-4C Low-Level Burial Grounds, Hanford Site, Richland, Washington, DOE/EA-1405, FONSI March 2002.

Issued in Washington, DC on June 28, 2002.

Beverly A. Cook,

Assistant Secretary, Office of Environment, Safety and Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Notice of Availability of Solicitation

AGENCY: Albuquerque Operations Office, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of availability of solicitation-research and development of the Nevada Solar Dish Power Project.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Albuquerque Operations Office (AL), is seeking applications for research and development for a new project to deploy solar dish-engine systems at a site in southern Nevada. The Project, entitled The Nevada Solar Dish Power Project, is sponsored by the DOE's Concentrating Solar Power (CSP) Program to provide a "bridge" from R&D to commercialization of solar dish technology. Therefore, it is aimed at deploying systems that have established operational credentials not at performing R&D on system designs. The two project objectives are (1) to fabricate and field 1 megawatt or more of solar dish-engine systems in a power plant environment, and (2) to develop a project development, installation, and O&M database for dish-engine systems. We expect the installation and testing of the systems to start in late 2002 or early 2003 and to continue through 2004–2005. Since this is a pre-commercial deployment, we plan for dish-engine power plant to continue to operate in a sustainable manner following the completion of the project. We anticipate the authorization project funding in FY2002 and subsequent years, subject to Congressional appropriations. The financial assistance award(s) will be made on a competitive basis, utilizing an objective merit review process, and may consist of multiple cooperative agreements. A written proposal that includes technical and cost volumes will be solicited. A DOE technical panel will perform a scientific and engineering evaluation of each responsive application to determine the

merit of the approach. DOE anticipates issuing one or more financial assistance instruments from this solicitation. Funding in the amount of \$500,000 is anticipated to be available. Cost sharing by the applicant is desired.

DATES: Applications are to be received no later than 3 p.m. local prevailing time on August 1, 2002. Any application received after the due date will not be evaluated.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The solicitation will be available on the Internet on or about July 1, 2002 at the following web site: <http://e-center.doe.gov/>. Applications must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the instructions and forms contained in the solicitation. For profit and not-for-profit organizations, state and local governments, Indian tribes, and institutions of higher learning are eligible for awards under this solicitation. Collaboration between industry, industry organizations, and universities are encouraged.

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Martha L. Youngblood,

Contracting Officer, Complex Support Branch, Contracts and Procurement Division.
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP02-392-000]

Consumers Energy Company; Notice of Application

July 1, 2002.

Take notice that on June 28, 2002, Consumers Energy Company submitted an amendment to its original application in this proceeding, under section 204 of the Federal Power Act. The amendment seeks a waiver of the competitive bidding and negotiated placement requirements at 18 CFR 34.2 related to issuances used to refinance and replace its revolving credit facility.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such 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 and protests should be filed on or before the comment date. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine 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. 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.

Comment Date: July 8, 2002.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP02-392-000]

Ozark Gas Transmission, L.L.C.; Notice of Application

July 1, 2002.

Take notice that on June 21, 2002, Ozark Gas Transmission, L.L.C. (Ozark), 515 Central Park Drive, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105, filed in Docket No. CP02-392-000 an application pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the construction of an upgrade to an existing delivery point in Arkansas, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" from the RIMS Menu and follow the instructions (call (202) 208-2222 for assistance).

Ozark proposes to upgrade its existing delivery point serving the Thomas B.Fitzhugh Generating Station (Fitzhugh) in Franklin County, Arkansas, in order to provide natural gas service to Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation (AECC). It is stated that AECC is re-powering the

generating station by replacing its current boiler with a dual fuel combustion turbine in order to increase its capacity and serve an expanding market. It is explained that Ozark's existing facilities would not provide sufficient capacity and pressure to supply gas to the electric generating station following the re-powering. It is asserted that Ozark will upgrade its measurement station by adding measurement devices to handle and accurately measure a minimum flow rate of 150 Mcf of gas per day (Mcfd) and a maximum flow rate of 45,000 Mcfd. Ozark estimates the cost of the proposed facilities at \$475,212. Ozark requests that a certificate be issued by September 11, 2002, so that it can supply test gas to Fitzhugh by December 1, 2002.

It is explained that the proposed upgrade could have been authorized under the automatic provisions of Ozark's blanket certificate. However, the project is located in an area of Western Arkansas (Township 9N, Range 26W) that is the subject of a Stipulation and Consent Agreement entered into between Ozark's predecessor, Ozark Gas Transmission System and the Commission in 1982. This settlement agreement requires Ozark to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity from the Commission before constructing any pipeline or compression facility in Township 9N, Range 26W.

Any questions regarding this amendment should be directed to James F. Bowe, Jr., Attorney, Dewey Ballantine LLP, at (202) 429-1444.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before July 22, 2002, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

The Commission may issue a preliminary determination on non-environmental issues prior to the completion of its review of the environmental aspects of the project. This preliminary determination typically considers such issues as the need for the project and its economic effect on existing customers of the applicant, on other pipelines in the area, and on landowners and communities. For example, the Commission considers the extent to which the applicant may need to exercise eminent domain to obtain rights-of-way for the proposed project and balances that against the non-environmental benefits to be provided by the project. Therefore, if a person has comments on community and landowner impacts from this proposal, it is important either to file comments or to intervene as early in the process as possible.

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.

If the Commission decides to set the application for a formal hearing before an Administrative Law Judge, the Commission will issue another notice describing that process. At the end of the Commission's review process, a final Commission order approving or denying a certificate will be issued.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER00-980-006, et al.]

Bangor Hydro-Electric Company, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

June 26, 2002.

The following filings have been made with the Commission. The filings are listed in ascending order within each docket classification.

1. Bangor Hydro-Electric Company

[Docket No. ER00-980-006]

Take notice that on June 17, 2002, pursuant to Section 2.11 of the Settlement Agreement filed on November 1, 2000, in Docket No. ER00-980-000, and accepted and modified by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) on February 26, 2001, Bangor-Hydro Electric Company (Bangor Hydro) submits this informational filing showing the implementation of Bangor Hydro's open access transmission tariff formula rate for the charges that became effective on June 1, 2002.

Copies of this filing were sent to Bangor Hydro's open access transmission tariff customers that have requested to receive a copy (Indeck Maine Energy, L.L.C.), the Commission Trial Staff, the Maine Public Utilities Commission, and the Maine Public Advocate.

Comment Date: July 8, 2002.

2. Maine Public Service Company

[Docket No. ER00-1053-006]

Take notice that on June 17, 2002, pursuant to Section 2.4 of the Settlement Agreement filed on June 30, 2000, in Docket No. ER00-1053-000, and accepted by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission on September 15, 2000, Maine Public Service Company (MPS) submits this