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**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Protests

August 2, 2002.

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:* 12259-000.

c. *Date Filed:* June 21, 2002.

d. *Applicant:* Universal Electric Power Corporation.

e. *Name of Project:* Monongahela L&D No. 2 Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The proposed project would be located on an existing dam owned by the U.S. Army Corps of

Engineers on the Monongahela River in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Raymond Helter, Universal Electric Power Corporation 1145 Highbrook Street, Akron, OH 44301, (330) 535-7115.

i. *FERC Contact:* Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Mr. Lynn R. Miles, Sr. at (202) 219-2671.

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

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. 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. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. Please include the project number (P-12259-000) on any comments or 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.

k. *Description of Project:* The proposed run-of-river project using the Corps’ existing Monongahela Lock and Dam No. 2 would consist of: (1) six steel penstocks approximately 30 feet in length, each 84 inches in diameter, (2) a powerhouse containing several turbine/generating units with a combined installed capacity of 6.14 MW, (3) a 14.7-kv transmission line approximately 1,800 feet long, and (4) appurtenant facilities. The project would have an annual generation of 24 GWh.

l. This filing is available for review at the Commission or may be viewed on 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). 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, to 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 Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, 385.214. 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,

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Change of Commission Meeting Dates for 2002

August 2, 2002.

The Chairman has approved a change to the public meeting schedule for September through December 2002. The change consists of an additional public meeting scheduled for September 5, 2002. Accordingly, the revised schedule for public meetings for September through December 2002 is as follows:

Thursday, September 5, 2002  
Wednesday, September 18, 2002  
Wednesday, October 9, 2002  
Wednesday, October 30, 2002  
Wednesday, November 20, 2002

Wednesday, December 18, 2002

**Magalie R. Salas,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Georgia-Alabama-South Carolina Rates, Rate Order No. SEPA-41

**AGENCY:** Southeastern Power Administration, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of Rate Order.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary of Department of Energy, confirmed and approved, on an interim basis, Rate Schedules SOCO-1-A, SOCO-2-A, SOCO-3-A, SOCO-4-A, ALA-1-J, MISS-1-J, Duke-1-A, Duke-2-A, Duke-3-A, Duke-4-A, Santee-1-A, Santee-2-A, Santee-3-A, Santee-4, SCE&G-1-A, SCE&G-2-A, SCE&G-3-A, SCE&G-4-A, Regulation-1, Replacement-1, Pump-1-A, and Pump-2. The rates were approved on an interim basis through September 30, 2007, and are subject to confirmation and approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission on a final basis.

**DATES:** Approval of rate on an interim basis is effective through September 30, 2007.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Leon Jourolmon, Assistant Administrator, Finance & Marketing, Southeastern Power Administration, Department of Energy, 1166 Athens Tech Road, Elberton, Georgia 30635-6711, (706)-213-3800.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, by Order issued February 26, 1999, in Docket No. EF98-3011-000, confirmed and approved Wholesale Power Rate Schedules SOCO-1, SOCO-2, SOCO-3, SOCO-4, ALA-1-I, MISS-1-I, Duke-1, Duke-2, Duke-3, Duke-4, Santee-1, Santee-2, Santee-3, Santee-4, SCE&G-1, SCE&G-2, SCE&G-3, SCE&G-4, and Pump-1. On April 23, 1999, in Docket No. EF98-3011-001, the Commission issued an order granting rehearing for further consideration. On July 31, 2001, in the same docket number, the Commission issued an order denying rehearing. Rate schedules SOCO-1-A, SOCO-2-A, SOCO-3-A, SOCO-4-A, ALA-1-J, MISS-1-J, Duke-1-A, Duke-2-A, Duke-3-A, Duke-4-A, Santee-1-A, Santee-2-A, Santee-3-A, Santee-4-A, SCE&G-1-A, SCE&G-2-A, SCE&G-3-A, SCE&G-4-A, Regulation-1, Replacement-1, Pump-1-A, and Pump-2 replace these schedules.

Dated: July 25, 2002.

**Spencer Abraham,**  
Secretary.

### Order Confirming and Approving Power Rates on an Interim Basis

Pursuant to Sections 302(a) and 301(b) of the Department of Energy Organization Act, Public Law 95-91, the functions of the Secretary of the Interior and the Federal Power Commission under section 5 of the Flood Control Act of 1944, 16 U.S.C. 825s, relating to the Southeastern Power Administration (Southeastern) were transferred to and vested in the Secretary of Energy. By Delegation Order No. 0204-108, effective May 30, 1986, 51 FR 19744 (May 30, 1986), the Secretary of Energy delegated to the Administrator the authority to develop power and transmission rates, and delegated to the Under Secretary the authority to confirm, approve, and place in effect such rates on an interim basis and delegated to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) the authority to confirm and approve on a final basis or to disapprove rates developed by the Administrator under the delegation. On December 6, 2001, the Secretary of Energy issued Delegation Order No. 00-001.00, granting the Deputy Secretary authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect Southeastern’s rates on an interim basis. Because there is no Deputy Secretary at the present time, the Secretary of Energy has exercised his authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect on an interim basis the rate schedules in Southeastern Rate Order No. 41.

### Background

Power from the Georgia-Alabama-South Carolina System is presently sold under Wholesale Power Rate Schedules SOCO-1, SOCO-2, SOCO-3, SOCO-4, ALA-1-I, MISS-1-I, Duke-1, Duke-2, Duke-3, Duke-4, Santee-1, Santee-2, Santee-3, Santee-4, SCE&G-1, SCE&G-2, SCE&G-3, SCE&G-4, and Pump-1. These rate schedules were approved by the FERC on February 26, 1999, for a period ending September 30, 2003 (93 FERC 62100).

### Public Notice and Comment

Notice of proposed rate adjustment was published in the **Federal Register** March 13, 2002 (67 FR 11325). In the notice, SEPA proposed four rate alternatives for public comment. SEPA proposed two rate alternatives that would continue the current rate design that included estimated purchases of replacement energy in the capacity and energy charges from SEPA. These were