

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 1494-232—Oklahoma]

Grand River Dam Authority; Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment

September 19, 2002.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations (18 CFR part 380), Commission staff have reviewed an application for non-project use of project lands and waters at the Pensacola Project (FERC No. 1494), and have prepared a draft Environmental Assessment (EA) on the application. The project is located on the Grand (Neosho) River in Craig, Delaware, Mayes, and Ottawa Counties, Oklahoma.

Specifically, the project licensee (Grand River Dam Authority) has requested Commission approval to permit Joe Harwood d/b/a Arrowhead Investment & Development Company to expand and modernize an existing marina located on the Duck Creek arm of Grand Lake, the project reservoir. In the draft EA, Commission staff have analyzed the probable environmental effects of the proposed marina improvements and have concluded that approval of the proposal, with appropriate environmental measures, would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

Copies of the draft EA are available for review in Public Reference Room 2-A of the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC. The draft EA also may be viewed on the Commission's Internet Web site (www.ferc.gov) using the "FERRIS" link. Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (202) 502-8004, or on the Commission's website using the FERRIS link. Click on the FERRIS link, enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field. Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance with FERRIS, the FERRIS helpline can be reached at (202) 502-8222, TTY (202) 502-8659. The FERRIS link on the FERC's Internet website also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

Any comments on the draft EA should be filed within 30 days of the date of this notice and should be addressed to

Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please reference "Pensacola Project, FERC Project No. 1494-232" on all comments. Comments 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,*Deputy Secretary.*

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[Project Nos. 2364-013, 2365-024 Maine]

Madison Paper Industries, Inc.; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

September 19, 2002.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR Part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 F.R. 47897), the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the applications for new licenses for the Anson and Abenaki Hydroelectric Projects, located on the Kennebec River in Somerset County, Maine, and has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project. The projects do not occupy any federal lands.

The EA contains the staff's analyses of the potential environmental impacts of the projects and concludes that licensing the projects, with appropriate environmental protection measures, would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the FEA is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "FERRIS" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call (202) 502-8222 or for TTY, (202) 502-8659.

Any comments should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice and should be addressed to Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please affix Project Nos. 2364-013 and 2365-024 to all comments. Comments may be filed

electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "e-Filing" link.

For further information, contact Nan Allen at 202-502-6128.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,*Deputy Secretary.*

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BILLING CODE 6717-01-P**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Western Area Power Administration****Commitment To Purchase a Custom Product, Central Valley Project****AGENCY:** Western Area Power Administration, DOE.**ACTION:** Notice of Extension.

SUMMARY: The Western Area Power Administration (Western), a Federal power marketing administration of DOE, published its final 2004 Power Marketing Plan (Marketing Plan) for the Sierra Nevada Customer Service Region (Sierra Nevada Region) in the **Federal Register**. This notice extends the commitment date to purchase a Custom Product from the Sierra Nevada Region.

DATES: Existing customers and Resource Pool allottees interested in purchasing a Custom Product must provide written notice to the Sierra Nevada Region of their interest on or before June 30, 2003, and must commit to that purchase by executing a contract on or before June 30, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas R. Boyko, Power Marketing Manager, Western Area Power Administration, Sierra Nevada Customer Service Region, 114 Parkshore Drive, Folsom, CA 95630-4710, (916) 353-4421 or boyko@wapa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Authorities**

The Marketing Plan for marketing power by the Sierra Nevada Region after 2004, published in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 34417) on June 25, 1999, including the subsequent Final Resource Pool Allocations, published in the **Federal Register** (65 FR 45976) on July 26, 2000, was established pursuant to the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101-7352); the Reclamation Act of June 17, 1902, (ch. 1093, 32 Stat. 388) as amended and supplemented by subsequent enactments, particularly section 9(c) of

the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 (43 U.S.C. 485h(c)); and other acts specifically applicable to the projects involved.

Background

The Marketing Plan describes how the Sierra Nevada Region will market its power resources from the Central Valley Project, Washoe Project, and other sources beginning January 1, 2005, through December 31, 2024. The 2005 Resource Pool was established for new power allocations, and those allocations were made to qualified entities. The Marketing Plan provided for making a Custom Product available to interested customers. The Custom Product is a combination of additional services such as supplemental power, scheduling agent and coordinator services, and ancillary services.

This notice provides an extension of time to commit to purchase the Custom Product. The Marketing Plan required a customer to commit to purchase the Custom Product by December 31, 2002. By this notice Western extends this date from December 31, 2002, to June 30, 2004. The customers must notify the Sierra Nevada Region on or before June 30, 2003, of their intention to participate in the Custom Product. Any customer deciding to purchase the Custom Product must sign a contract on or before June 30, 2004.

Dated: September 10, 2002.

Michael S. Hacskaylo,
Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Western Area Power Administration

Parker-Davis Project—Extension of the Rate Methodology for Firm Power Service and Firm and Nonfirm Transmission Service—Rate Order No. WAPA-98

AGENCY: Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of Rate Order.

SUMMARY: This action is to extend the existing Parker-Davis Project (Parker-Davis) rate methodology for determining the firm power service rate and the firm and nonfirm point-to-point transmission service rates, established under Rate Order No. WAPA-75, through September 30, 2004. The existing Parker-Davis rate methodology will expire September 30, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Todd Statler, Financial Analyst, Desert

Southwest Customer Service Region, Western Area Power Administration, PO Box 6457, Phoenix, AZ 85005-6457, (602) 352-2781, or e-mail statler@wapa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: By Delegation Order No. 00-037.00, effective December 6, 2001, the Secretary of Energy delegated (1) the authority to develop long-term power and transmission rates on a nonexclusive basis to the Administrator of Western Area Power Administration (Western), (2) the authority to confirm, approve, and place such rates into effect on an interim basis to the Deputy Secretary, and (3) the authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect on a final basis, to remand or to disapprove such rates to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

Pursuant to applicable Delegation Orders and existing Department of Energy (DOE) procedures for public participation in power and transmission rate adjustments in 10 CFR part 903, Western's Parker-Davis rate methodology for firm power service and firm and nonfirm point-to-point transmission service was submitted to FERC for confirmation and approval on November 19, 1997. On March 10, 1998, in Docket No. EF98-5041-000, at 82 FERC ¶ 62,164, FERC issued an order confirming, approving, and placing in effect on a final basis the Parker-Davis rate methodology for firm power service and firm and nonfirm point-to-point transmission service. The rate methodology set forth in Rate Order No. WAPA-75 was approved for the period beginning November 1, 1997, and ending September 30, 2002.

On September 30, 2002, Western's Parker-Davis rate methodology for firm power service and firm and nonfirm point-to-point transmission service will expire. Western has proposed that the existing Parker-Davis rate methodology be extended pursuant to 10 CFR part 903.23.

The Secretary of Energy is extending the existing Parker-Davis rate methodology that is used each Fiscal Year (FY) to calculate the firm power service rates for capacity and energy (Rate Schedule PD-F6), the firm point-to-point transmission service rate (Rate Schedule PD-FT6), the firm point-to-point transmission service rate for delivery of Salt Lake City Area Integrated Projects Power (Rate Schedule PD-FCT6) and the nonfirm point-to-point transmission service rate (Rate Schedule PD-NFT6). The existing Parker-Davis rate methodology collects annual revenues sufficient to recover annual expenses (including interest

and capital requirements, thus ensuring repayment of the project within the cost-recovery criteria set forth in DOE Order RA 6120.2. Under the existing Parker-Davis rate methodology, the revenue requirements for generation and transmission are determined annually based on FY projections in the cost apportionment study. The cost apportionment study allocates all Parker-Davis expenses and other revenues between generation and transmission. The revenue requirement for generation determines the amount of funds to collect through firm power service rates for capacity and energy. Similarly, the revenue requirement for transmission determines the amount of funds to collect through firm point-to-point transmission service rates.

During this extension period of the existing Parker-Davis rate methodology, Western will initiate a rate adjustment process in accordance with procedures for public participation in power and transmission rate adjustments in 10 CFR part 903. Western anticipates this rate adjustment process to begin when audited financial data for FY 2001 and FY 2002 becomes available. In the meantime, Western will continue to conduct informal customer meetings to ensure involvement of interested parties in the rate process.

In accordance with 10 CFR part 903.23(a)(2), Western did not have a consultation and comment period and did not hold public information and comment forums. The notice of proposed extension of the Parker-Davis rate methodology for firm power service and firm and nonfirm point-to-point transmission service was published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 34702) on May 15, 2002.

Following review of Western's proposal within the Department of Energy, I approve, in the absence of a Deputy Secretary, Rate Order No. WAPA-98, which extends the existing Parker-Davis rate methodology for determining the firm power service rate and the firm and nonfirm point-to-point transmission service rates through September 30, 2004.

Dated: September 13, 2002.

Spencer Abraham,
Secretary.

Order Confirming and Approving an Extension of the Parker-Davis Project Rate Methodology for Firm Power Service and Firm and Nonfirm Transmission Service

This rate methodology was established pursuant to Section 302(a) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7152(a)),