

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission

[Docket No. RP02-132-004]

Viking Gas Transmission Company;
Notice of Compliance Filing

November 21, 2002.

Take notice that on November 18, 2002 Viking Gas Transmission Company (Viking) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the tariff sheets listed on Appendix A to the filing to become effective July 1, 2002 and the tariff sheets listed on Appendix B to the filing to become effective October 1, 2002 subject to the conditions set forth in Viking's filing.

Viking states that the purpose of this filing is to comply with the November 8, 2002 Letter Order issued in Docket No. RP02-132-000.

Viking states that copies of this filing have been served on all parties designated on the official service list in this proceeding, on all Viking's jurisdictional customers and to affected state regulatory commissions.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed in accordance with Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. 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 proceedings. This filing 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, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at (866) 208-3676, or TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. 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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[Docket No. EC03-18-000, et al.]

Athens Generating Company, L.P., et
al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Filings

November 20, 2002.

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

1. Athens Generating Company, L.P.;
Covert Generating Company, LLC;
Harquahala Generating Company, LLC;
Millennium Power Partners, L.P.

[Docket No. EC03-18-000]

Take notice that on November 15, 2002, Athens Generating Company, L.P., Covert Generating Company, LLC, Harquahala Generating Company, LLC, and Millennium Power Partners, L.P., each of which is an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of PG&E National Energy Group, Inc. (PG&E NEG) (and which may be referred to hereafter individually as Applicant or jointly as Applicants) tendered for filing, pursuant to section 203 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. section 824b (2000), and part 33 of the Commission's regulations, 18 CFR part 33 (2002), an application for authorization to dispose of jurisdictional facilities. More specifically, PG&E NEG seeks approval to effectuate an internal corporate reorganization with respect to some or all of the Applicants and then transfer all of its ownership interests in the Applicants to one or more existing or to-be-formed companies that are direct or indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries of the lenders to the Applicants and/or to their upstream owners.

Comment Date: December 6, 2002.

2. Hermiston Generating Company, L.P.

[Docket No. ER01-2159-003]

Take notice that on November 18, 2002, Hermiston Generating Company, LP (Applicant), an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of PG&E National Energy Group, Inc. (PG&E NEG) tendered for filing, information that reflects a departure from the characteristics relied upon by the Commission in approving market-based pricing. Specifically, Applicant has submitted information concerning a potential sale of a portion of the direct or indirect upstream ownership of PG&E NEG to a direct or indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Sumitomo Corporation.

Comment Date: December 9, 2002.

3. The Empire District Electric
Company

[Docket No. ER03-167-000]

Take notice that on November 18, 2002, The Empire District Electric Company (Empire) submitted a revised attachment C to its proposal to cancel parts of its Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) and to substitute an Ancillary Services Form of Agreement, which was filed on November 6, 2002. The revised attachment C contains a list of entities to be served with the proposal and should replace the version of attachment C that was initially filed on November 6, 2002. As Empire no longer provides transmission under its existing OATT, its proposed termination of the Empire OATT will not impact any customers. Empire requests waiver to allow its proposal to take effect on January 6, 2003, as initially requested.

Comment Date: December 9, 2002.

4. California Independent System
Operator Corporation

[Docket No. ER03-187-000]

Take notice that on November 18, 2002, the California Independent System Operator Corporation (ISO), tendered for filing a Meter Service Agreement between the ISO and Termoeleétrica de Mexicali S. de R.L. de C.V. (TDM) for acceptance by the Commission.

The ISO states that this filing has been served on TDM and the California Public Utilities Commission. The ISO is requesting waiver of the 60-day notice requirement to allow the Meter Service Agreement to be made effective November 14, 2002.

Comment Date: December 9, 2002.

5. Aquila, Inc.

[Docket No. ER03-188-000]

Take notice that on November 18, 2002, Aquila, Inc. (Aquila), filed a notice of termination of the June 5, 2001, Transmission Service Agreement for Non-Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service between Aquila and El Paso Merchant Energy. Aquila requests that the termination be made effective on September 30, 2002.

Comment Date: December 9, 2002.

6. Aquila, Inc.

[Docket No. ER03-189-000]

Take notice that on November 18, 2002, Aquila, Inc. (Aquila), filed a notice of termination of the April 17, 2000, Transmission Service Agreement for Short-Term Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service between Aquila and El Paso Merchant Energy. Aquila requests that the termination be made effective on October 19, 2002.

Comment Date: December 9, 2002.

Standard Paragraph

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing should file 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). 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. All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date, and, to the extent applicable, must be served on the applicant and on any other person designated on the official service list. 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 "FERRIS" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number filed to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at (866)208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202)502-8659. 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 477-024]

Notice of Applications for Amendment of License and Surrender of License and Settlement Agreement and Decommissioning Plan and Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Protests

November 21, 2002.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric applications have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection:

a. *Application Type:* Amendment of License, Surrender of License,

Settlement Agreement and Decommissioning Plan.

b. *Project No.:* 477-024.

c. *Date Filed:* November 12, 2002.

d. *Applicant:* Portland General Electric Company (PGE).

e. *Name of Project:* Bull Run Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Sandy, Little Sandy, and Bull Run Rivers, near the Town of Sandy, Clackamas County, Oregon. The project is located on lands administered by the Forest Service (Mt. Hood National Forest) and the Bureau of Land Management.

g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r); Rule 602 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.602.

h. *Applicant Contact:* Julie A. Keil, Director, Hydro Licensing and Water Rights, PGE, 121 SW Salmon Street, Portland, Oregon 97204, 503-464-8864.

i. *FERC Contact:* Alan Mitchnick, 202-502-6074;

alan.mitchnick@ferc.gov.

j. *Cooperating agencies:* We are asking federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the environmental document. Agencies wishing to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing documents described in item k below.

k. *Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests and requests for cooperating agency status:* 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.

The Commission's rules of practice and procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor 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.

Comments, motions to intervene, and protests and requests for cooperating agency status 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.

l. *Amendment Application:* PGE proposes to: (i) Extend the term of the license from November 16, 2004, to November 16, 2017; (ii) continue generation until removal of the Little Sandy dam in 2008; (iii) implement a program of geomorphological and water quality monitoring continuing until Marmot dam removal; (iv) continue operation of the fish ladder and sorting facility at Marmot dam until Marmot dam removal; and (v) modify the operation of the diversion canal at Marmot dam to provide protection of threatened fish species from November 2004 until November 2007.

Surrender Application: The Project works include: Marmot dam, located at River Mile (RM) 30 on the Sandy River; a 3.1-mile-long series of canals and tunnels leading from Marmot dam to the Little Sandy River just upstream of the Little Sandy diversion dam; the Little Sandy diversion dam, located at RM 1.7 on the Little Sandy River; a 2.8-mile-long box flume leading from the Little Sandy diversion dam to the manmade forebay, Roslyn Lake; two 1,200 foot penstocks; and a powerhouse containing four generators with a total capacity of 22 megawatts. The powerhouse discharges to the Bull Run River 1.5 miles above its confluence with the Sandy River at RM 18.4.

PGE proposes the complete removal of both Marmot and the Little Sandy diversion dams, starting in 2007, along with the dismantling of their associated water conveyance structures. In addition, Roslyn Lake would be drained, the powerhouse generating equipment would be disabled, and the powerhouse structure would be demolished. All PGE-owned lands within the existing project boundary would be conveyed to the Western Rivers Conservancy once the license is surrendered and the project is removed, and used to protect and conserve fish and wildlife habitat, public access, and recreation opportunities in the Sandy River Basin. Project water rights would be relinquished and would revert to instream use.

Settlement Agreement and Decommissioning Plan: PGE filed a settlement agreement concerning the removal of the project. The signatories include PGE, 10 federal, state, and local agencies, and 12 non-governmental organizations. The agreement includes a decommissioning plan consistent with the applications for amendment of license and surrender.

m. Copies of the applications and settlement agreement are 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>