

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.

m. This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

n. The existing Nicolet Mill Dam Project consists of the following existing facilities: (1) A 13.6 foot-high, 400-foot-long diversion structure attached to the westerly end of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' DePere Dam; (2) intake works consisting of 28 gates screened with steel racks; (3) a powerhouse containing two generating units with a total installed capacity of 1,080 kW; and (4) other appurtenances.

o. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room 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 field to access the document. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

p. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the Wisconsin State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), as required by § 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR 800.4.

q. *Procedural schedule and final amendments:* The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Acceptance or Deficiency Letter: January 2003.

Issue Scoping Document for comments: March 2003.

Notice of Application is Ready for Environmental Analysis: June 2003.

Notice of the availability of the EA: October 2003.

Ready for Commission's decision on the application: December 2003.

Unless substantial comments are received in response to the EA, staff intends to prepare a single EA in this case. If substantial comments are received in response to the EA, a final EA will be prepared with the following modifications to the schedule.

Notice of the availability of the final EA: February 2004.

Ready for Commission's decision on the application: March 2004.

Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of the notice of ready for environmental analysis.

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Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM98-1-000]

Regulations Governing Off-the-Record Communications; Public Notice

November 27, 2002.

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2201(h), of the receipt of exempt and prohibited off-the-record communications.

Order No. 607 (64 FR 51222, September 22, 1999) requires Commission decisional employees, who make or receive an exempt or a prohibited off-the-record communication relevant to the merits of a contested on-the-record proceeding, to deliver a copy of the communication, if written, or a summary of the substance of any oral communication, to the Secretary.

Prohibited communications will be included in a public, non-decisional file associated with, but not part of, the

decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become part of the decisional record, the prohibited off-the-record communication will not be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision. Parties to a proceeding may seek the opportunity to respond to any facts or contentions made in a prohibited off-the-record communication, and may request that the Commission place the prohibited communication and responses thereto in the decisional record. The Commission will grant such requests only when it determines that fairness so requires. Any person identified below as having made a prohibited off-the-record communication should serve the document on all parties listed on the official service list for the applicable proceeding in accordance with rule 2010, 18 CFR 385.2010.

Exempt off-the-record communications will be included in the decisional record of the proceeding, unless the communication was with a cooperating agency as described by 40 CFR 1501.6, made under 18 CFR 385.2201(e)(1)(v).

The following is a list of exempt and prohibited off-the-record communications recently received in the Office of the Secretary. These filings 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> 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 for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Exempt

| Docket No. | Date filed | Presenter or Requester |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Project No. 1927-008 | 11-20-02 | USDA Forest Service |
| 2. CP02-296-000 | 11-20-02 | Gini R. Cooper |
| 3. Project No. 2726-000 | 11-20-02 | Mark Druss |
| 4. Project No. 2726-000 | 11-20-02 | Susan Pengilly Neitzel |
| 5. Project No. 2726-000 | 11-20-02 | L. Lewis Wardle |
| 6. CP01-415-000 | 11-20-02 | Medha Kochhar |
| 7. Project Nos. 2576-022 | 11-20-02 | John T. Gangemi and 2597-019 |
| 8. CP02-396-000 | 11-20-02 | Becky Coleman |
| 9. Project No. 2726-000 | 11-26-02 | Susan Pengilly Neitzel |

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12087-001]

White River Falls Energy Associates, Inc.; Notice of Surrender of Preliminary Permit

November 27, 2002.

Take notice that White River Falls Energy Associates, Inc., permittee for the proposed White River Falls Project, has requested that its preliminary permit be terminated. The permit was issued on February 6, 2002, and would have expired on January 31, 2005. The project would have been located on the White River in Wasco County, Oregon.

The permittee filed the request on September 9, 2002, and the preliminary permit for Project No. 12087 shall remain in effect through the thirtieth day after issuance of this notice unless that day is a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday as described in 18 CFR 385.2007, in which case the permit shall remain in effect through the first business day following that day. New applications involving this project site, to the extent provided for under 18 CFR part 4, may be filed on the next business day.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-2002-0321; FRL-7417-7]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to OMB; Comment Request; EPA ICR No. 0595.08/OMB Control No. 2070-0055; Notice of Pesticide Registration by States To Meet a Special Local Need Under FIFRA Section 24(c)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of

Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Notice of Pesticide Registration by States to Meet a Special Local Need Under FIFRA Section 24(c); EPA ICR No. 0595.08; OMB Control No. 2070-0055. The ICR, which is abstracted below, describes the nature of the information collection activity and its expected burden and costs.

DATES: Additional comments may be submitted on or before January 3, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Follow the detailed instructions in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Vogel, Field and External Affairs Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 305-6475; fax number: (703) 305-5884; e-mail address: vogel.nancy@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA has submitted the following ICR to OMB for review and approval according to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12. The **Federal Register** document, required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on December 12, 2001 (66 FR 64249). EPA received one comment on this ICR during the 60-day comment period, and that comment is addressed in the ICR.

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID No. OPP-2002-0321 (formerly Docket Control No. OPP-00753), which is available for public viewing at the Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Rm. 119, Crystal Mall #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA. This docket facility is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The docket telephone number is (703) 305-5805. An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA Dockets (EDOCKET) at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>. Use EDOCKET to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "search," then key in the docket ID number identified above.

Any comments related to this ICR should be submitted to EPA and OMB within 30 days of this notice, and according to the following detailed instructions: (1) Submit your comments to EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), by e-mail to opp-docket@epa.gov, or by mail to: Public Information and Records Integrity Branch (PIRIB), Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP), Environmental

Protection Agency (7502C), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001, Attention: Docket ID Number OPP-2002-0321; and (2) Mail your comments to OMB at: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing in EDOCKET as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, CBI, or other information whose public disclosure is restricted by statute. When EPA identifies a comment containing copyrighted material, EPA will provide a reference to that material in the version of the comment that is placed in EDOCKET. The entire printed comment, including the copyrighted material, will be available in the public docket.

Although identified as an item in the official docket, information claimed as CBI, or whose disclosure is otherwise restricted by statute, is not included in the official public docket, and will not be available for public viewing in EDOCKET. For further information about the electronic docket, see EPA's **Federal Register** notice describing the electronic docket at 67 FR 38102 (May 31, 2002), or go to <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>.

ICR Title: Notice of Pesticide Registration by States to Meet a Special Local Need (SLN) Under FIFRA Section 24(c) (EPA ICR 0595.08, OMB Control No. 2070-0055).

ICR Status: This is a request for extension of an existing approved collection that is currently scheduled to expire on November 30, 2002. EPA is asking OMB to approve this ICR for three years. Under 5 CFR 1320.12(b)(2), the Agency may continue to conduct or sponsor the collection of information while the submission is pending at OMB.

Abstract: This data collection program is designed to provide the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA, the Agency) with the necessary data to review approval of State-issued pesticide registrations. The Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), section 24(c) authorizes the States to register additional uses of federally registered pesticides for distribution and use within the State to meet a special local need (SLN). A State-issued registration under FIFRA section 24(c) is deemed a Federal registration for the purposes of the pesticide's use within the State's boundaries. A State must notify EPA, in writing, of any