

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application for Amendment of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

April 22, 2003.

a. *Type of Filing:* Amendment of license to increase project installed capacity from 17,003 kW to 20,090 kW.

b. *Project No.:* 3947-012.

c. *Date Filed:* March 18, 2003.

d. *Applicant:* Kaweah River Power Authority.

e. *Name of Project:* Terminus Project.

f. *Location:* The project is located on the Kaweah River at the Corps of Engineers' Terminus Dam, Lake Kaweah, Tulare County, California.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r), section 4.201 of the Commission's regulations.

h. *Applicant Contact:* Bruce George, Secretary, Kaweah River Power Authority, 2975 No. Farmersville Blvd., Farmersville, CA, email:

bgeorge@lightspeed.net, and at Minasian, Spruance, Baber, Meith, Soares & Sexton, LLP, attn: Jeffrey Meith, Esq., P.O. Box 1679, Oroville, CA, email: *jmeith@minasianlaw.com*.

i. *FERC Contact:* William Guey-Lee, (202) 502-6064, or *william.gueylee@ferc.gov*.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene or protests:* May 23, 2003.

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.

k. *Description of Project:* The Terminus Project is an existing facility located at the Corps of Engineers (COE) Terminus Dam. Project operation is incidental to the flood control and irrigation functions of the dam. The COE is enlarging the Terminus Dam, which will increase storage capacity from 143,000 acre-feet to 183,000 acre-feet and raise the pool elevation from 694 feet to 715 feet. To avoid impact of and utilize the additional head and storage, licensee proposes to: (1) Upgrade turbine thrust bearing (completed 2000); (2) rewind the generator; and (3) upgrade the excitation

system. There will be no change in project boundaries or project operation or project hydraulic capacity. Water releases will not be affected. There will be additional energy generation and the nameplate capacity will go from 17,003 kW to 20,090 kW.

l. *Location of the Filing:* A copy of the filing is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371 and may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at *http://www.ferc.gov*, using the "FERRIS" link. Enter the project number excluding the last three digits in the project 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. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

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, .211, .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, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", OR "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing an original and eight copies to: the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

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.

Agency Comments: Federal, State, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Intent To File an Application for a New License

April 22, 2003.

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of intent to file an application for a new license.

b. *Project No.:* 925.

c. *Date Filed:* April 14, 2003.

d. *Submitted By:* City of Ottumwa, Iowa—current licensee.

e. *Name of Project:* Ottumwa Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Des Moines River in Wapello County, Iowa. The project does not occupy federal lands.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Section 15 of the Federal Power Act.

h. *Licensee Contact:* Martin J. Weber, Stanley Consultants, Inc., 5775 Wayzata Blvd., Suite 955, Minneapolis, MN 55416, *webermartin@stanleygroup.com*, (952) 797-5386.

i. *FERC Contact:* Jack Duckworth, *jack.duckworth@ferc.gov*, (202) 502-6392.

j. *Effective date of current license:* March 1, 1982.

k. *Expiration date of current license:* April 30, 2008.

l. *Description of the Project:* The project consists of the following existing facilities: (1) A 18-foot-high, 766-foot-long dam with a gated spillway; (2) a 500-acre reservoir; (3) a powerhouse integral to the dam containing a generating unit with an installed capacity of 3.25 MW; and (4) other appurtenances.

m. Each application for a new license and any competing license applications must be filed with the Commission at least 24 months prior to the expiration of the existing license. All applications for license for this project must be filed by April 30, 2006.

n. A copy of this filing 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, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at 1 (866) 208-3676, or TTY (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

Register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support as shown in the paragraph above.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission, Soliciting Additional Study Requests, and Establishing Procedural Schedule for Relicensing and a Deadline for Submission of Final Amendments

April 23, 2003.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

- a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.
- b. *Project No.:* 178-017.
- c. *Date filed:* April 14, 2003.
- d. *Applicant:* Pacific Gas and Electric Company.
- e. *Name of Project:* Kern Canyon Project.
- f. *Location:* On the Kern River, near the Town of Bakersfield, Kern County, California. The project occupies approximately 11.26 acres of public land located within the Sequoia National Forest.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. §§ 791(a)-825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Randal S. Livingston, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Power Generation, Mail Code N11E, P.O. Box 770000, San Francisco, CA 94177, (415) 973-7000.
- i. *FERC Contact:* Tim Looney, 202-502-6096 or timothy.looney@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 who would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing comments described in item l below.

k. Pursuant to section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than 60 days from the date of filing of the application, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

l. Deadline for filing additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status: June 13, 2003.

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 require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person 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.

Additional study requests 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. After logging into the e-Filing system, select "Comment on Filing" from the Filing Type Selection screen and continue with the filing process.

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

n. The Kern Canyon Project consists of: (1) An existing 150-foot-long and 23-foot-high dam; (2) an existing 3-acre reservoir having a usable capacity of 27-acre-feet; (3) a 1.58 mile long horseshoe shaped tunnel; (4) a 520-foot-long steel penstock varying in diameter from 96 inches to 90 inches; (5) a powerhouse containing one generating unit with an installed capacity of 9,540 kilowatts; (6)

existing transmission facilities; and (7) appurtenant facilities. The project is estimated to generate an average of 67.6 gigawatt hours annually. The dam and existing project facilities are owned by the applicant.

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, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at 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.

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p. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the CALIFORNIA 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—June 2003

Request Additional Information—June 2003

Issue Acceptance Letter—September 2003

Issue Scoping Document 1 for Comments—October 2003

Request Additional Information (if necessary)—December 2003

Issue Scoping Document 2—January 2004

Notice that application is ready for environmental analysis—January 2004

Notice of the availability of the draft EA—July 2004

Notice of the availability of the final EA—October 2004

Ready for Commission decision on the application—October 2004

Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance