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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Intent to File Application For A New License

March 12, 2004.

Take notice that the following notice of intent has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

- a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of intent to file an application for new license.
- b. *Project No.:* 120.
- c. *Date Filed:* February 27, 2004.
- d. *Submitted by:* Southern California Edison Company.
- e. *Name of Project:* Big Creek No. 3 Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The project is located in Fresno County, California, within the Sierra National Forest. The project is situated on the San Joaquin River with the nearest towns being Big Creek, Shaver Lake, North Fork, and Auberry.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Section 15 of the Federal Power Act, 18 CFR 16.6.

h. Pursuant to section 16.19 of the Commission's regulations, the licensee is required to make available the information described in section 16.7 of the regulations. Such information is available from the Northern Hydro Regional Office, 54205 Mountain Poplar Road, Big Creek, CA 93605, (559)-893-3611.

i. *FERC Contact:* James Fargo, 202-502-6095, [james.fargo@ferc.gov](mailto:james.fargo@ferc.gov).

j. *Expiration Date of Current License:* February 28, 2009.

k. *Project Description:* The project consists of Dam 6 Forebay, a dam with a capacity of 993 acre-feet, Powerhouse No. 3 with five turbine generators with a total installed capacity of 174.45 megawatts, and the water conveyance system of unlined tunnels, steel piping, penstocks and valving.

l. The licensee states its unequivocal intent to submit an application for a new license for Project No. 120. Pursuant to 18 CFR 16.9(b)(1) 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 February 28, 2007.

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 "eLibrary" 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](mailto: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.

o. Register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> 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.

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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

March 12, 2004.

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.:* 12487-000.
- c. *Date Filed:* January 30, 2004.
- d. *Applicant:* Greensfields Irrigation District.
- e. *Name of Project:* Gibson Dam Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The proposed project would be located at the Bureau of Reclamation's (BOR) Gibson Dam, on the Sun River in Teton and Lewis and Clark Counties, Montana.

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

h. *Applicant Contacts:* Ed Everaert, Manager, Greensfields Irrigation District, P.O. Box 157, Fairfield, MT 59436, (406) 467-2533.

i. *FERC Contact:* Mr. Robert Bell, (202) 502-6062.

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-12487-000) 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. *Competing Application:* Project No. 12478-000; date filed: October 28, 2003; date issued: January 9, 2004; due date: March 9, 2004.

l. *Description of Project:* The proposed run-of-river project using the BOR's existing Gibson Dam would consist of: (1) a 100-foot-long, 10-foot-diameter steel penstock, (2) a powerhouse containing two 8 megawatt generating units with a total installed capacity of 16 megawatts, (3) a proposed 3-mile-long, 15 kilovolt transmission line, and (4) appurtenant facilities. The project would have an annual generation of 45 gigawatt-hours.

m. *Locations of Applications:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission in the Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

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

o. *Competing 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.

*p. Competing Development Application*—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.

*q. 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.

*r. 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.

*s. 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.

*t. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents*—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION", "COMPETING APPLICATION", "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 the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Hydropower Administration and Compliance, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above-mentioned address. A copy of any notice of intent, competing application or 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. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings

*u. 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.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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

March 12, 2004.

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.:* 12488-000.

*c. Date Filed:* February 19, 2004.

*d. Applicant:* Aces Wild Farm and Ranch.

*e. Name of Project:* Wright Forge Pond Project.

*f. Location:* On the Winnetuxet River, in Plympton County, Massachusetts, utilizing the Wright Forge Pond Dam owned by the Town of Plympton, Massachusetts.

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

*h. Applicant Contact:* Ms. Patricia Renee Pina, President, Aces Wild Farm and Ranch, 59 Parsonage Road, Plympton, MA 02367, (781) 585-3243.

*i. FERC Contact:* Robert Bell, (202) 502-6062.

*j. Deadline for Filing Comments, Protests, and Motions to Intervene:* 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

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-12488-000) 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 project would consist of the following: (1) An existing 10-foot-high, 150-foot-long rockfill dam; (2) a pond with a surface area of 7 acres and a gross storage of 1.9 million cubic feet; (3) an 18-inch-diameter, 12-foot-long penstock; (4) a powerhouse containing one 2500 kilowatt turbine with a total capacity of 5 megawatts; (5) a concrete pad tailrace from the powerhouse to the Winnetuxet River; and (6) a 400-foot-long, 13.8 kilovolt transmission line. Applicant estimates that the average annual generation would be 26 kilowatt-hours and would be sold to a local utility.

*l. Locations of Applications:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission in the Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE.,