

disposition under the FPA, whichever comes first. If issuance of a new license (or other disposition) does not take place on or before March 1, 2007, notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.18(c), an annual license under Section 15(a)(1) of the FPA is renewed automatically without further order or notice by the Commission, unless the Commission orders otherwise.

If the project is not subject to Section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that Duke Power of Macon and Clay Counties, North Carolina, is authorized to continue operation of the Nantahala Project No. 2692 until such time as the Commission acts on its application for subsequent license.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 459]

Union Electric Company; (d/b/a, AmerenUE); Notice of Authorization for Continued Project Operation

March 9, 2006.

On February 24, 2004, Union Electric Company, (d/b/a, AmerenUE), licensee for the Osage Hydroelectric Project No. 459, filed an application for a new or subsequent license pursuant to the Federal Power Act (FPA) and the Commission's regulations thereunder. Project No. 459 is located on the Osage River, in Benton, Camden, Miller and Morgan Counties, central Missouri.

The license for Project No. 459 was issued for a period ending February 28, 2006. Section 15(a)(1) of the FPA, 16 U.S.C. 808(a)(1), requires the Commission, at the expiration of a license term, to issue from year to year an annual license to the then licensee under the terms and conditions of the prior license until a new license is issued, or the project is otherwise disposed of as provided in section 15 or any other applicable section of the FPA. If the project's prior license waived the applicability of section 15 of the FPA, then, based on section 9(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 558(c), and as set forth at 18 CFR 16.21(a), if the licensee of such project has filed an application for a subsequent license, the licensee may continue to operate the project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the license after the minor or minor part license

expires, until the Commission acts on its application. If the licensee of such a project has not filed an application for a subsequent license, then it may be required, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.21(b), to continue project operations until the Commission issues someone else a license for the project or otherwise orders disposition of the project.

If the project is subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that an annual license for Project No. 459 is issued to Union Electric Company of Benton, Camden, Miller and Morgan Counties, central Missouri, for a period effective March 1, 2006 through February 28, 2007, or until the issuance of a new license for the project or other disposition under the FPA, whichever comes first. If issuance of a new license (or other disposition) does not take place on or before March 1, 2007, notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.18(c), an annual license under section 15(a)(1) of the FPA is renewed automatically without further order or notice by the Commission, unless the Commission orders otherwise.

If the project is not subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that Union Electric Company of Benton, Camden, Miller and Morgan Counties, central Missouri, is authorized to continue operation of the Osage Project No. 459 until such time as the Commission acts on its application for subsequent license.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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Standards of Conduct for Transmission Providers; Notice of Panel Topics; Standards of Conduct Technical Conference and Workshop

March 10, 2006.

As announced on February 28 and March 3, 2006, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) will hold a technical conference and workshop on Standards of Conduct for Transmission Providers on April 7, 2006, at the Scottsdale Plaza in Scottsdale, Arizona. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. (MST) and conclude at approximately 4 p.m. All interested persons are invited to attend. Prospective attendees and participants are urged to watch for a further notice

that will include the selected panelists who will speak at the conference. The draft agenda of topics is shown below.

The purpose of the conference and workshop is to discuss Standards of Conduct for Transmission Providers under Order No. 2004.¹ It will be held at the Scottsdale Plaza Resort located at 7200 North Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale, Arizona. Hotel rooms can be reserved by calling 1-800-306-0059 or by visiting its Web site at <http://www.scottsdaleplaza.com>.

Agenda for April 7, 2006 Standards of Conduct Conference

- 9-9:45: Introductory Remarks.
- 9:45-10:45: Industry Panel on Independent Functioning Requirements.
 - Creditworthiness and risk management functions.
 - Application of Standards of Conduct to employees of holding company, service company, parent company or other non-transmission provider affiliates providing services to the Transmission Provider.
- 10:45-11: Break.
- 11-12: Panel on Integrated Resource Planning
 - Discussion of how companies currently engage in Integrated Resource Planning.
 - Discussion of concerns or problems that the industry is encountering in implementing the Standards of Conduct while performing Integrated Resource Planning.
- 12-1:30: Lunch Break.
- 1:30-2:30: Industry Panel on Information Sharing Prohibitions—Do's and Don'ts.
 - Permissible communications with affiliated Transmission Providers.
 - Communications in nomination/scheduling/confirmation process.
 - Transaction specific communications with affiliated shippers.
 - Communications between Transmission Providers and Marketing or Energy Affiliates during litigation proceedings/settlement negotiations or other docketed Commission proceedings.
- 2:30-2:45: Break.
- 2:45-3:45: Staff Panel *Responding to Written Questions*.

¹ *Standards of Conduct for Transmission Providers*, Order No. 2004, FERC Stats. & Regs., Regulations Preambles ¶ 31,155 (2003), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 2004-A, III FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,161 (2004), 107 FERC ¶ 61,032 (2004), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 2004-B, III FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,166 (2004), 108 FERC ¶ 61,118 (2004), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 2004-C, 109 FERC ¶ 61,325 (2004), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 2004-D, 110 FERC ¶ 61,320 (2005), *National Fuel Gas Supply Corp., et al. v. FERC*, Nos. 04-1188, et al. (DC Cir. Filed June 9, 2004).