

**RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:**

Individuals, military transportation and personnel activities, or other agencies designated to arrange air passenger reservations.

**EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:**

None.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 13274-000]

**Monadnock Paper Mills, Inc.; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comment, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications**

November 26, 2008.

Monadnock Paper Mills, Inc. (MPM), filed an application on August 7, 2008, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of adding additional capacity to the Monadnock Hydroelectric Project at the project's Powder Mill Dam Development, which would be located near the towns of Bennington and Antrim on the Contoocook River in Hillsborough County, New Hampshire.

The proposed Powder Mill Dam Hydroelectric Project would utilize MPM's licensed Powder Mill Dam of the Monadnock Hydroelectric Project, FERC No. 6597 for which MPM is the licensee and would consist of: (1) A new generating unit with a total installed capacity of 200 kW, (2) a new transmission line connecting to existing power lines, and (3) appurtenant facilities. The project would have an annual generation of 0.7 gigawatt-hours, which would be sold to a local utility.

Applicant Contact: Mr. Paul Ciccone, Vice President Research and Development, Technical Services, Monadnock Paper Mills, Inc., 117 Antrim Road, Bennington, NH 03442; phone: (603) 588-3311. FERC Contact: Tom Papsidero, (202) 502-6002.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the

"e-Filing" link. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original and eight copies should be mailed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. For more information on how to submit these types of filings please go to the Commission's Web site located at <http://www.ferc.gov/filing-comments.asp>. More information about this project can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-13274) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3372.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. PF08-30-000]

**Northwest Pipeline GP; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Sundance Trail Expansion Project; Request for Comments on Environmental Issues**

November 26, 2008.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) is in the process of preparing an environmental assessment (EA) on the environmental impacts of the Sundance Trail Expansion Project (Project) involving the construction and operation of new underground natural gas pipeline looping<sup>1</sup> and a modified compressor station proposed by Northwest Pipeline GP (Northwest). The Project is under review in Docket No. PF08-30-000.

This Notice of Intent (NOI) explains the scoping process that will be used to gather input from the public and interested agencies on the Project. Your input will help determine which issues will be evaluated in the EA. Please note that the scoping period for this Project will close on December 29, 2008.

Although a formal application has not been filed, the FERC has already initiated its NEPA review under its pre-filing process. A pre-filing docket

number has been assigned to the proposed Project (PF08-30-000). The purpose of the pre-filing process is to encourage early involvement of interested stakeholders and to identify and resolve issues before an application is filed with the FERC.

This NOI is being sent to Federal, State, and local government agencies; elected officials; affected landowners; environmental and public interest groups; Indian tribes and regional Native American organizations; commentators and other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. We<sup>2</sup> encourage government representatives to notify their constituents of this proposed Project and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

If you are a landowner receiving this notice, you may be contacted by a Northwest representative about the acquisition of an easement to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed facilities. Northwest would seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement. However, if the Project is approved by the FERC, that approval conveys with it the right of federal eminent domain. Therefore, if easement negotiations fail to produce an agreement, and the Project is ultimately approved by the FERC, Northwest could initiate condemnation proceedings in accordance with Federal law.

A fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled "An Interstate Natural Gas Facility on My Land? What Do I Need To Know?" is available for viewing on the FERC Internet Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov/for-citizens/citizen-guides.asp>). This fact sheet addresses a number of typically asked questions, including the use of eminent domain and how to participate in FERC's proceedings.

**Summary of the Proposed Project**

Northwest has proposed to construct and operate the Project to provide 150 Mdth/d of transportation capacity out of the Piceance Basin for delivery into the Kern River Gas Transmission Company system where it can be transported to Utah, southern Nevada, and southern California markets. The Project's pipeline loop would be located in Lincoln County, Wyoming, and the compressor station modification would take place in Uintah County, Utah.

<sup>2</sup> "We", "us", and "our" refer to the environmental staff of the Office of Energy Projects (OEP).

<sup>1</sup> A pipeline loop is a segment of pipeline immediately adjacent to an existing pipeline.