

Agreement with Coral Power, L.L.C. (Coral) under the NU System Companies' System Power Sales/Exchange Tariff No. 6.

NUSCO states that a copy of this filing has been mailed to Coral.

NUSCO requests that the Service Agreement become effective sixty (60) days following the Commission's receipt of the filing.

*Comment date:* July 10, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

12. Jersey Central Power & Light Company; Metropolitan Edison Company; Pennsylvania Electric Company

[Docket No. ER96-2194-000]

Take notice that on June 20, 1996, GPU Service Corporation (GPU), on behalf of Jersey Central Power & Light Company, Metropolitan Edison Company and Pennsylvania Electric Company (jointly referred to as the GPU Operating Companies), filed an executed Service Agreement between GPU and Duke/Louis Dreyfus L.L.C. (D/LD), dated June 14, 1996. This Service Agreement specifies that D/LD has agreed to the rates, terms and conditions of the GPU Operating Companies' Operating Capacity and/or Energy Sales Tariff (Sales Tariff) designated as FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 1. The Sales Tariff was accepted by the Commission by letter order issued on February 10, 1995 in *Jersey Central Power & Light Co., Metropolitan Edison Co. and Pennsylvania Electric Co.*, Docket No. ER95-276-000 and allows GPU and D/LD to enter into separately scheduled transactions under which the GPU Operating Companies will make available for sale, surplus operating capacity and/or energy at negotiated rates that are no higher than the GPU Operating Companies' cost of service.

GPU requests a waiver of the Commission's notice requirements for good cause shown and an effective date of June 14, 1996 for the Service Agreement.

GPU has served copies of the filing on regulatory agencies in New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

*Comment date:* July 10, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

13. MDU Resources Group, Inc.

[Docket No. ES96-31-000]

Take notice that on June 20, 1996, MDU Resources Group, Inc. (MDU) filed an application, under § 204 of the Federal Power Act, seeking authorization to issue up to 1,010,916 additional shares of Common Stock, par

value \$3.33 in connection with MDU's tax deferred compensation savings plan for non-bargaining unit employees. MDU further requests an exemption from the Commission's competitive bidding and negotiated placement requirements.

*Comment date:* July 19, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

14. MDU Resources Group, Inc.

[Docket No. ES96-32-000]

Take notice that on June 20, 1996, MDU Resources Group, Inc. (MDU) filed an application, under § 204 of the Federal Power Act, seeking authorization to issue up to 743,661 additional shares of Common Stock, par value \$3.33 in connection with MDU's tax deferred compensation savings plan for collective bargaining unit employees. MDU further requests an exemption from the Commission's competitive bidding and negotiated placement requirements.

*Comment date:* July 19, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

15. MDU Resources Group, Inc.

[Docket No. ES96-33-000]

Take notice that on June 20, 1996, MDU Resources Group, Inc. (MDU) filed an application, under § 204 of the Federal Power Act, seeking authorization to issue up to 3,273,273 additional shares of Common Stock, par value \$3.33 in connection with MDU's automatic dividend reinvestment and stock purchase plan. MDU further requests an exemption from the Commission's competitive bidding and negotiated placement requirements.

*Comment date:* July 19, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

16. MidAmerican Energy Company

[Docket No. ES96-34-000]

Take notice that on June 21, 1996, MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) filed an application, under § 204 of the Federal Power Act, seeking authorization to issue and sell up to \$500 million principal amount of bonds, notes, debentures, guarantees or other evidences of indebtedness of like kind to bonds, notes or debentures. MidAmerican further requests an exemption from the Commission's competitive bidding and negotiated placement requirements.

*Comment date:* July 19, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

## Standard Paragraph

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Lois D. Cashell,

*Secretary.*

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[Docket No. ER96-2197-000, et al.]

## Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

June 27, 1996

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

1. Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation

[Docket No. ER96-2197-000]

Take notice that on June 20, 1996, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (Niagara Mohawk), tendered for filing, an amendment to its filing dated June 14, 1996, regarding the Marcy-South Facilities Agreement with the Power Authority of the State of New York (NYPA).

Copies of this filing were served upon NYPA and the Public Service Commission of New York.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. Jersey Central Power & Light Company; Metropolitan Edison Company; Pennsylvania Electric Company

[Docket No. ER96-2195-000]

Take notice that on June 20, 1996, GPU Service Corporation (GPU), on behalf of Jersey Central Power & Light Company, Metropolitan Edison Company and Pennsylvania Electric Company (jointly referred to as the GPU Operating Companies), filed an executed Service Agreement between

GPU and Southern Energy Marketing, Inc. (SEM), dated June 17, 1996. This Service Agreement specifies that SEM has agreed to the rates, terms and conditions of the GPU Operating Companies' Operating Capacity and/or Energy Sales Tariff (Sales Tariff) designated as FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 1. The Sales Tariff was accepted by the Commission by letter order issued on February 10, 1995 in *Jersey Central Power & Light Co. Metropolitan Edison Co., and Pennsylvania Electric Co.*, Docket No. ER95-276-000 and allows GPU and SEM to enter into separately scheduled transactions under which the GPU Operating Companies will make available for sale, surplus operating capacity and/or energy at negotiated rates that are no higher than the GPU Operating Companies' cost of service.

GPU requests a waiver of the Commission's notice requirements for good cause shown and an effective date of June 17, 1996 for the Service Agreement.

GPU has served copies of the filing on regulatory agencies in New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 3. Public Service Company of Oklahoma Southwestern Electric Power Co.

[Docket No. ER96-2198-000]

Take notice that on June 20, 1996, Public Service Company of Oklahoma and Southwestern Electric Power Company (collectively, the Companies), tendered for filing a service agreement under which they will provide transmission service to Koch Power Services, Inc. under their point-to-point transmission service tariff.

The Companies state that a copy of the filing has been served on Koch Power Services, Inc.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 4. Central Power and Light Company West Texas Utilities Company

[Docket No. ER96-2199-000]

Take notice that on June 20, 1996, Central Power and Light Company and West Texas Utilities Company, (jointly, the Companies), tendered for filing service agreements under which they will provide transmission service to Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. and to Koch Power Services, Inc. under their point-to-point transmission service tariff.

The Companies state that copies of the filing have been served on Brazos

Power Marketing Cooperative, Inc., and on Koch Power Services, Inc.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 5. Commonwealth Edison Company

[Docket No. ER96-2200-000]

Take notice that on June 20, 1996, Commonwealth Edison Company (ComEd), tendered for filing new Schedule 8 and related changes to its PS-1 Tariff.

ComEd requests an effective date of June 21, 1996 and has therefore requested that the Commission waive the Commission's notice requirement. Copies of this filing have been served on the Illinois Commerce Commission and all customers served under ComEd's PS-1 Tariff.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 6. Northern Indiana Public Service Company

[Docket No. ER96-2201-000]

Take notice that on June 21, 1996, Northern Indiana Public Service Company, tendered for filing an executed Standard Transmission Service Agreement between Northern Indiana Public Service Company and Federal Energy Sales, Inc.

Under the Transmission Service Agreement, Northern Indiana Public Service Company will provide Point-to-Point Transmission Service to Federal Energy Sales, Inc. pursuant to the Transmission Service Tariff filed by Northern Indiana Public Service Company in Docket No. ER96-1426-000 and allowed to become effective by the Commission. *Northern Indiana Public Service Company*, 75 FERC ¶ 61,213 (1996). Northern Indiana Public Service Company has requested that the Service Agreement be allowed to become effective as of July 1, 1996.

Copies of this filing have been sent to the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission and the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 7. Southern Company Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER96-2202-000]

Take notice that on June 21, 1996, Southern Company Services, Inc. (SCS), acting on behalf of Alabama Power Company, Georgia Power Company, Gulf Power Company, Mississippi Power Company, and Savannah Electric and Power Company (collectively referred to as Southern Companies) filed

a service agreement between SCS, as agent of the Southern Companies, and CNG Power Services Corporation for non-firm transmission service under the Point-to-Point Transmission Service Tariff of Southern Companies.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 8. New England Power Company

[Docket No. ER96-2203-000]

Take notice that on June 21, 1996, New England Power Company filed a Service Agreement and Certificates of Concurrence with Aquila Power Corporation under NEP's FERC Electric Tariffs, Original Volume Nos. 5 and 6.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 9. Duke Power Company

[Docket No. ER96-2204-000]

Take notice that on June 21, 1996, Duke Power Company (Duke), tendered for filing a Transmission Service Agreement (TSA) between Duke, on its own behalf and acting as agent for its wholly-owned subsidiary, Nantahala Power and Light Company, and South Carolina Public Service Authority (SCPSA). Duke states that the TSA sets out the transmission arrangements under which Duke will provide SCPSA non-firm transmission service under its Transmission Service Tariff.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

### 10. Arizona Public Service Company

[Docket No. ER96-2205-000]

Take notice that on June 21, 1996, Arizona Public Service Company (APS), tendered for filing the following Agreements:

1. Amendment No. 3 to the Navajo Project Co-Tenancy Agreement
  2. Amendment No. 4 to the Navajo Project Southern Transmission System Operating Agreement
- As Operating Agent of the Navajo Project Southern Transmission System, APS has constructed the Yavapai 500 Kv Switchyard which will be interconnected with, and become part of, the Navajo Southern Transmission System. These Amendments establish interests of ownership in the Yavapai 500 Kv Switchyard as well as cost responsibilities relating to initial construction costs, capital improvements and O&M costs related to the Switchyard.

APS requests waiver of the Commission's Notice Requirements in 18 CFR 35.11 to allow for an effective date of June 20, 1996.

A copy of this filing has been served on the Arizona Corporation Commission, the Nevada Public Service Commission, Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement & Power District, Tucson Electric Power Company, the United States Bureau of Reclamation, and Nevada Power Company.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### 11. New York State Electric & Gas Corporation

[Docket No. ER96-2206-000]

Take notice that on June 21, 1996, New York State Electric & Gas Corporation (NYSEG), tendered for filing pursuant to § 35.12 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 35.12, as an initial rate schedule, an agreement with Xenergy, Inc. (Xenergy) for the sale of power at cost based rates to Xenergy for resale to retail customers participating in the New Hampshire Retail Access Pilot Program and other retail customers in the future. The agreement provides a mechanism pursuant to which the parties can enter into separately scheduled transactions under which NYSEG will sell to Xenergy and Xenergy will purchase from NYSEG either capacity and associated energy or energy only as the parties may mutually agree.

NYSEG requests that the agreement become effective on June 22, 1996, so that the parties may, if mutually agreeable, enter into separately scheduled transactions under the agreement. NYSEG has requested waiver of the notice requirements for good cause shown.

NYSEG served copies of the filing upon the New York State Public Service Commission and Xenergy.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### 12. Carolina Power & Light Company

[Docket No. ER96-2207-000]

Take notice that on June 24, 1996, Carolina Power & Light Company (Carolina), tendered for filing separate Service Agreements executed between Carolina and the following Eligible Entities: Duke/Louis Dreyfus L.L.C., Stand Energy Corporation, Federal Energy Sales, Inc., DuPont Power Marketing, Inc., South Carolina Public Service Authority, Energy Transfer Group, L.L.C.; Aquila Power Corporation, Calpine Power Service Company, Central Illinois Public Service Company, AIG Trading

Corporation, North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation, and Coral Power, L.L.C. Service to each Eligible Entity will be in accordance with the terms and conditions of Carolina's Tariff No. 1 for Sales of Capacity and Energy.

Copies of the filing were served upon the North Carolina Utilities Commission and the South Carolina Public Service Commission.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### 13. Public Service Company of Oklahoma

[Docket No. ER96-2208-000]

Take notice that on June 24, 1996, Public Service Company of Oklahoma (PSO), tendered for filing Amendment 3 to the Contract for Electric Service, dated April 20, 1995, between PSO and Northeast Oklahoma Electric Cooperative, Inc. (NEO). Amendment 3 provides for an additional point of delivery.

PSO seeks an effective date of June 25, 1996, and accordingly, seeks waiver of the Commission's notice requirements. Copies of the filing were served on NEO and the Oklahoma Corporation Commission. Copies are also available for public inspection at PSO's offices in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### 14. Commonwealth Electric Company

[Docket No. ER96-2209-000]

Take notice that on June 24, 1996, Commonwealth Electric Company (Commonwealth), tendered for filing a non-firm transmission service agreement between Commonwealth and New England Power Company (NEP). Commonwealth states that the service agreement sets out the transmission arrangements under which Commonwealth will provide non-firm transmission service to NEP under Commonwealth's FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 4, accepted for filing in Docket No. ER94-1518-000.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### 15. Houston Lighting & Power Company

[Docket No. ER96-2210-000]

Take notice that on June 24, 1996, Houston Lighting & Power Company (HL&P), tendered for filing an executed transmission service agreement (TSA) under HL&P's FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, for Transmission Service To, From and Over Certain HVDC Interconnections.

The filing consists of a TSA with West Texas Utilities Company (WTU) providing for firm power transmission service over the North HVDC, Interconnection. HL&P has requested a waiver to permit an effective date of June 12, 1996.

Copies of the filing were served on WTU and the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### 16. Houston Lighting & Power Company

[Docket No. ER96-2211-000]

Take notice that on June 24, 1996, Houston Lighting & Power Company (HL&P), tendered for filing an executed transmission service agreement (TSA) under HL&P's FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, for Transmission Service To, From and Over Certain HVDC Interconnections. The filing consists of an economy energy and emergency power TSA with Coastal Electric Services Company (CESC) providing for the transmission of energy to be scheduled over the East HVDC Interconnection. HL&P has requested an effective date of June 21, 1996.

Copies of the filing were served on CESC and the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### 17. Portland General Electric Company

[Docket No. ER96-2212-000]

Take notice that on June 24, 1996, Portland General Electric Company (PGE), tendered for filing under FERC Electric Tariff, 1st Revised Volume No. 2, an executed Service Agreement between PGE and Cinergy Services, Inc.

Pursuant to 18 CFR 35.11 and the Commission's order issued July 30, 1993 (Docket No. PL93-2-002). PGE respectfully requests the Commission grant a waiver of the notice requirements of 18 CFR 35.3 to allow the executed Service Agreement to become effective June 1, 1996.

Copies of this filing were served upon Cinergy Services, Inc.

*Comment date:* July 11, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraph:

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of

Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Lois D. Cashell

Secretary.

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[Project No. 11437-001-NC]

**Hydro Matrix Partnership, Ltd.; Notice Ready for Environmental Analysis, Notice Requesting Interventions, Protests, and Comments, and Notice of Scoping Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969**

June 28, 1996.

On June 21, 1996, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) issued a letter accepting Hydro Matrix Partnership, Ltd.'s application for the Jordan Hydroelectric Project located at the U.S. Army, Corps of Engineers Jordan Dam on the Haw River in Chatham County, North Carolina.

The Jordan Hydroelectric Project's principal project features would consist of 80 small turbine generator units installed in two modules placed in slots on the intake tower. Each generator would have a rated capacity of 100 kW for a total rated capacity of 8,000 kW. The project would have an average annual generation of 38 GWh. The project site is owned by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

The purpose of this notice is to: (1) Invite interventions and protests; (2) advise all parties as to the proposed scope of the staff's environmental analysis, including cumulative effects, and to seek additional information pertinent to this analysis; and (3) advise all parties of their opportunity for comment.

The application is ready for environmental analysis at this time, and the Commission is requesting comments, reply comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions.

*Interventions, Protests, and Comments*

All filings must: (1) Bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST," "MOTION

TO INTERVENE," NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION," OR "COMPETING APPLICATION," "COMMENTS," "REPLY COMMENTS," "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," OR "PRESCRIPTIONS;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies required by the Commission's regulations to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426.

An additional copy must be sent to: Director, Division of Project Review, Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application.

All filings for any protest or motion to intervene must be received 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission directs, pursuant to section 4.34(b) of the regulations (see order No. 533 issued May 8, 1991, 56 FR 23108 (May 20, 1991)), that all comments, recommendations, terms and conditions and prescriptions concerning the application be filed with the Commission within 60 days from the issuance date of this notice. All reply comments must be filed with the Commission within 105 days from the date of this notice.

Anyone may obtain an extension of time for these deadlines from the Commission only upon a showing of good cause or extraordinary circumstances in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2008.

*Scoping Process*

The Commission's scoping objectives are to:

- identify significant environmental issues;
- determine the depth of analysis appropriate to each issue;
- identify the resource issues not requiring detailed analysis; and,
- identify reasonable project alternatives.

The purpose of the scoping process is to identify significant issues related to the proposed action and to determine

what issues should be covered in the environmental document pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. The document entitled "Scoping document I" (SDI) will be circulated shortly to enable appropriate federal, state, and local resource agencies, developers, Indian tribes, non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and other interested parties to effectively participate in and contribute to the scoping process. SDI provides a brief description of the proposed action, project alternative, and the geographic and temporal scope of a cumulative effects analysis, and a list of preliminary issues identified by staff.

The Commission will decide, based on the application, and agency and public comments to scoping, whether licensing the Jordan Hydroelectric Project constitutes a major federal action significantly impacting the quality of the human environment. The Commission staff will not hold scoping meetings unless the Commission decides to prepare an environmental impact statement, or the response to SDI warrants holding such meetings.

Individuals, organizations, and agencies with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to comment on SDI and assist the staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed.

All filings should contain an original and 8 copies. Failure to file an original and 8 copies may result in appropriate staff not receiving the benefit of your comments in a timely manner. See 18 CFR 4.34(h). In addition, commentors may submit a copy of their comments on a 3 1/2-inch diskette formatted for MS-DOS based computers. In light of our ability to translate MS-DOS based materials, the text need only be submitted in the format and version that it was generated (i.e., MS Word, WordPerfect 5.1/5.2, ASCII, etc.). It is not necessary to reformat word processor generated text to ASCII. For Macintosh users, it would be helpful to save the documents in Macintosh word processor format then write them to files on a diskette formatted for MS-DOS machines. All comments should be submitted to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426, and should show the following captions on the first page: Jordan Hydroelectric Project, FERC No. 11437-001.

Further, interested persons are reminded of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures, requiring