

A copy of this filing was caused to be served upon Tacoma as noted in the filing letter.

Comment date: October 31, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

19. Portland General Electric Company
[Docket No. ER97-97-000]

Take notice that on October 9, 1996, Portland General Electric Company (PGE), tendered for filing under PGE's Final Rule pro forma tariff (FERC Electric Tariff Original Volume No. 8, Docket No. OA96-137-000), executed Service Agreements for Non-Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service and Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service with Citizens Lehman Power Sales.

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 Service Agreements to become effective October 1, 1996.

A copy of this filing was caused to be served upon Citizens Lehman Power Sales as noted in the filing letter.

Comment date: October 31, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

20. Northeast Utilities Service Company
[Docket No. ER97-100-000]

Take notice that on October 4, 1996, Northeast Utilities Service Company (NUSCO), tendered for filing a Certificate of Concurrence of The United Illuminating Company's Wholesale Electric Sales Tariff FERC Rate Schedule No. 2.

NUSCO requests that the Certificate of Concurrence is allowed to become effective on July 1, 1996. NUSCO states that copies of this filing have been mailed or delivered to The United Illuminating Company.

Comment date: October 31, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

21. Central Illinois Public Service Company
[Docket No. ER97-101-000]

Take notice that on October 9, 1996, Central Illinois Public Service Company (CIPS), submitted for filing a service agreement, dated October 3, 1996, establishing Coral Power, L.L.C. (Coral) as a customer under the terms of CIPS' Open Access Transmission Tariff.

CIPS requests an effective date of October 3, 1996 for the service agreement. Accordingly, CIPS requests waiver of the Commission's notice requirements. Copies of this filing were

served upon Coral and the Illinois Commerce Commission.

Comment date: October 31, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

22. Florida Power & Light Company
[Docket No. ER97-102-000]

Take notice that on October 10, 1996, Florida Power & Light Company (FPL), filed the Contract for Purchases and Sales of Power and Energy between FPL and Southern Energy Marketing Corporation, Inc. FPL requests an effective date of October 14, 1996.

Comment date: October 31, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

23. Washington Water Power
[Docket No. ER97-103-000]

Take notice that on October 10, 1996, Washington Water Power, tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission pursuant to 18 CFR 35.13, executed service agreements under FERC Electric Tariff Volume No. 4 with VTEC Energy, Inc., Okanogan County Public Utility District and Flathead Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Comment date: October 31, 1996, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

24. Cinergy Services, Inc.
[Docket No. ER97-104-000]

Take notice that on October 10, 1996, Cinergy Services, Inc. (Cinergy), tendered for filing on behalf of its operating companies, The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company (CG&E) and PSI Energy, Inc. (PSI), an Interchange Agreement, dated October 1, 1996 between Cinergy, CG&E, PSI and Sonat Power Marketing, L.P. (Sonat).

The Interchange Agreement provides for the following service between Cinergy and Sonat:

1. Exhibit A—Power Sales to Sonat
2. Exhibit B—Power Sales by Cinergy

Cinergy and Sonat have requested an effective date of October 14, 1996.

Copies of the filing were served on Sonat Power Marketing, L.P., the Alabama Public Service Commission, the Kentucky Public Service Commission, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission.

Comment date: October 31, 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. 11565-000]

Thermalito Power Corporation; Notice of Intent To Conduct Environmental Scoping Meetings and Site Visit

October 18, 1996.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has received an application for a license to construct and operate the Therm II Hydroelectric Project No. 11565-000. The project would be located on the Feather River outlet, of the Thermalito afterbay near the town of Oroville, in Butte County, California.

The FERC staff intends to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) for this hydroelectric project in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act.

In the EA, we will consider both site-specific and cumulative environmental effects of the project and reasonable alternatives, and will include economic and engineering analyses.

The draft EA will be issued and circulated for review by all interested parties. All comments filed on the draft EA will be analyzed by the staff and considered in a final EA. The staff's conclusions and recommendations will then be presented for consideration by the Commission in reaching its final licensing decision.

Scoping Meetings

Staff will hold two scoping meetings. A scoping meeting oriented toward the agencies will be held on Wednesday, November 13, 1996, at 9:00 AM, at Memorial Hall, 249 Sycamore Street, Gridley, California. A scoping meeting oriented toward the public will be held the same day at 6:30 PM, at the same location.

Interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend either

or both meetings and assist the staff in identifying the scope of environmental issues that should be analyzed in the EA.

To help focus discussions at the meetings, a scoping document outlining subject areas to be addressed in the EA will be mailed to agencies and interested individuals on the FERC mailing list. Copies of the scoping document will also be available at the scoping meetings.

Objectives

At the scoping meetings, the FERC staff will: (1) Identify preliminary environmental issues related to the proposed project; (2) identify preliminary resource issues that are not important and do not require detailed analysis; (3) identify reasonable alternatives to the proposal; (4) solicit from meeting participants all available information, especially quantified data, on the resource issues; and (5) encourage statements from experts and the public on issues that should be analyzed in the EA, including points of view in opposition to, or in support of, the staff's preliminary views.

Procedures

The scoping meetings will be recorded by a court reporter and all statements, both oral and written, will become part of the formal record of the Commission proceedings on the Therm II Project. Individuals presenting statements at the meetings will be asked to clearly identify themselves for the record.

Individuals, organizations, and agencies with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the meetings and assist the staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in the EA.

Persons choosing not to speak at the meetings, but who have views on the issues or information relevant to the issues, may submit written statements for inclusion in the public record at the meetings. In addition, written scoping comments (an original and eight copies) may be filed with Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 1st Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, until December 16, 1996.

All written correspondence should clearly show the following caption on the first page: Therm II Hydroelectric Project, FERC Project No. 11565-000.

Intervenors—those on the Commission's service list for this proceeding (parties)—are reminded of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, requiring parties filing documents with the Commission, to serve a copy of the document on each

person whose name appears on the official service list. Further, if a party 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.

Site Visit

A site visit to the Therm II Hydroelectric Project is planned for Tuesday, November 12, 1996. Those who wish to attend should plan to meet at 9:00 AM at the Joint Water District, 735 Virginia Street, Gridley, California. For more details, contact Mr. Stan Malinky, Thermalito Power Corporation, at (916) 372-0534.

Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Gaylord W. Hoisington, FERC Environmental Coordination, at (202) 210-2756.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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Notice of New Docket Prefix

October 18, 1996.

Notice is hereby given that a new docket prefix has been established for petitions for declaratory order requesting a Commission determination on stranded costs.

Under the stranded cost procedures set forth in Order No. 888, Promoting Wholesale Competition Through Open Access Nondiscriminatory Transmission Services by Public Utilities, and Recovery of Stranded Costs by Public Utilities and Transmitting Utilities, 61 FR 21540 (May 10, 1996), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,036 at 31,844 (1996), *reh'g pending*, a customer may file a petition for declaratory order:

to seek a Commission determination as to whether: (i) the utility has met the reasonable expectation standard; (ii) the proposed stranded cost charge satisfies the other evidentiary standards set forth in this Rule; (iii) the amount of released capacity and the amount of associated energy proposed by the utility is reasonable; or (iv) the utility's proposal for any contract amendment needed to implement the customer's payment of stranded costs is reasonable.

In order to properly docket and manage this type of case and assess Commission resources applicable to this type of work, it is necessary to establish a new docket prefix for stranded cost declaratory order petitions. The new docket prefix will be SCFY-NN-NNN, where the FY stands for the fiscal year in which the filing was made and the NN and NNN are sequential numbers.

For example, the first stranded cost declaratory order petition made this fiscal year will be assigned SC97-1-000, the second will be SC97-2-000, etc.

The establishment of the new docket will apply only to stranded cost determinations sought in declaratory order proceedings. If stranded cost determinations are sought in Section 205 rate filings or in Section 206 complaints to amend existing contracts, they will be given their normal ER and EL docket designations.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-5639-8]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Invitation for Bids and Request for Proposals

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that EPA is planning to submit the following continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Invitation for Bids and Request for Proposals, EPA ICR No. 1038.09; OMB Control No. 2030-0007; expiration date 3/31/97. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before December 23, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Acquisition Management (3802F), 401 M Street, S.W., Washington D.C. 20460, Attention: Edward N. Chambers.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Edward N. Chambers. (202) 260-6028/ FAX: (202) 260-1203/CHAMBERS. EDWARD@A1@MAIL.EPA.GOV

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are EPA contractors.

Title: Invitation for Bids and Request for Proposals (OMB Control No. 2030-0007; EPA ICR No. 1038.09) expiring 3/31/97.

Abstract: Firms which are interested in providing supplies or services to EPA will furnish information on previous