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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission

March 6, 1998.

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

- a. *Type of application:* New Major License.
- b. *Project No.:* 2659-011.
- c. *Date Filed:* February 25, 1998.
- d. *Applicant:* PacifiCorp.
- e. *Name of Project:* Powerdale Hydroelectric Project
- f. *Location:* On the Hood River, near the town of Hood River, in Hood River County, Oregon. The project boundary does not occupy any federal lands of the United States.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 USC §§ 791(a)—825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Randy Landolt, Director, Hydro Resources, PacifiCorp, 920 SW Sixth Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97204, (503) 464-5339.
- i. *FERC Contact:* Bob Easton at (202) 219-2782.
- j. *Brief Description of the Project:* The existing project consists of: (1) a 206-foot-long and 10-foot-high diversion dam; (2) 80-foot by 60-foot concrete intake structure; (3) an approximately 16,000-foot-long water conveyance system; (4) an 86-foot-wide by 51-foot-long concrete powerhouse; (5) one turbine generator unit with a rated capacity of 6.0 megawatts; (6) a 135-foot-long rock-lined tailrace; and (7) other appurtenances.

k. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the *OREGON STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER (SHPO)*, as required by § 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36, CFR, at 800.4.

1. Under Section 4.32(b)(7) of the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 4.32(b)(7)), if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that the applicant should conduct an additional scientific study to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merits, they must file a request for the study with the

Commission, not later than 60 days after the application is filed, and must serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application for Preliminary Permit

March 6, 1998.

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.:* 11612-000.
- c. *Date filed:* January 27, 1998.
- d. *Applicant:* Westford Development, Inc.
- e. *Name of Project:* Clark Canyon Dam Project.
- f. *Location:* On the Beaverhead River, in Beaverhead County, Montana.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. § 791(a)—825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Arch Ford, Westford Development, Inc., Rt. 2 Box 65 (Jacks Canyon Road), Lenore, ID 83451.
- i. *FERC Contact:* Mr. Robert Bell, (202) 219-2806.
- j. *Comment Date:* May 8, 1998.
- k. *Description of Project:* The proposed project would consist of: (1) the existing 133-foot-high, 2,000-foot-long Clark Canyon Dam; (2) an existing reservoir having a surface area of 5,240 acres, a storage capacity of 182,000 Acre-feet, and a normal water surface elevation of 5,546.1 feet msl; (3) a proposed powerhouse containing two generating units having a total installed capacity of 3.0 MW; (4) a proposed 1,320-foot-long, 161 kVA transmission line; and (5) appurtenant facilities.

The project would have an annual generation of 542,880 MWH and would be sold to a local utility.

1. This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs: A5, A7, A9, A10, B, C, and D2.

A5. 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.

A7. Preliminary Permit—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.

A9. 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.

A10. 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.

B. 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.

C. 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”, “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 Project Review, 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.

D2. 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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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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New Jersey State Prohibition on Marine Discharges of Vessel Sewage; Receipt of Petition and Tentative Determination

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

Notification is hereby given that a petition was received from the State of New Jersey on October 10, 1997, requesting a determination by the Regional Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, pursuant to section 312(f) of Public Law 92-500, as amended by Public Law 95-217 and Public Law 100-4 (the Clean Water Act), that adequate facilities for the safe and sanitary removal and treatment of

sewage from all vessels are reasonably available for the waters of the Manasquan River, Counties of Monmouth and Ocean, State of New Jersey.

This petition was made by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) in cooperation with the Monmouth-Ocean Alliance to Enhance the Manasquan River. Upon receipt of an affirmative determination in response to this petition, NJDEP would completely prohibit the discharge of sewage, whether treated or not, from any vessel in Manasquan River in accordance with section 312(f)(3) of the Clean Water Act and 40 CFR 140.4(a).

The Manasquan River is located in central New Jersey and runs southeasterly through Monmouth County for more than 23 miles before emptying into the Atlantic Ocean at the Manasquan Inlet. The Manasquan River is classified as a medium river with a drainage area of 81 square miles. The lower 6.5 miles of the river forms the estuary that is bordered by Wall Township, Brielle Borough and Manasquan Borough to the north and Brick Township, Point Pleasant Borough and Point Pleasant Beach borough to the south. The proposed No-Discharge Zone would include all navigable waters in the Manasquan Estuary beginning at Manasquan Inlet and including Stockton Lake, Glimmer Glass, Lake Louise and Point Pleasant Canal up to the Route 88 bridge.

Information submitted by the State of New Jersey and the Monmouth-Ocean Alliance to Enhance the Manasquan River states that there are five existing pump-out facilities available and two portable toilet dump stations to service vessels which use the Manasquan River. Brielle Marine Basin, located at 608 Green Avenue, Brielle, operates a stationary pumpout and a portable pumpout. The pumpouts are available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and are operated by the marina staff. Brielle Yacht Club, located 201 Union Lane, Brielle, operates a stationary pumpout. The pumpout is available from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. and is operated by the marina staff. Manasquan River Club, located at 217 Riverside Drive, Brick, operates a portable toilet dump station. The dump station is available from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is self-operated. Suburban Boatworks and Marina, located at 1500 Riverside Drive, Brick, operates a stationary pumpout and a portable toilet dump station. The pumpout and dump station are available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and are operated by the marina staff. Crystal Point Yacht Club, located at 4000 River Road, Point Pleasant,

operates a stationary pumpout. The pumpout is available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is self-operated. All marinas charge a \$5.00 fee for use of the pumpout/dump facilities. Only one facility, Manasquan Marine Center, has a draft restriction at the pumpout which would exclude boats with a draft 3 feet or greater. Six facilities are proposing to construct seven additional pumpout facilities (one is actually a replacement of an existing pumpout with two sub-stations) and three portable toilet dump stations. These proposed facilities were scheduled to be completed by September 1997. Two other facilities, Manasquan Municipal Marina and Bogan’s Deep Sea Fishing Center, have pump-out facilities but their use is not available to the public and were not counted when assessing the adequacy of pumpouts in the proposed area.

Within six nautical miles of the Manasquan River are eight additional pump-out facilities and two portable toilet dump stations. Three facilities are located on the Shark River, three facilities are located on the Metedeconk River and two facilities are on Barnegat Bay.

Vessel waste generated from the pump-out facilities in the Monmouth County is conveyed to the South Monmouth Regional Sewage Authority (NJPDES Permit No. NJ0024520). Vessel waste generated from the pump-out facilities in the Ocean County is conveyed to the Ocean County Utilities Authority—Northern Plant (NJPDES Permit No. NJ0028142). These plants operate under permits issued by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

According to the State’s petition, the maximum daily vessel population for the waters of Manasquan River is approximately 2624 vessels. This estimate is based on (1) vessels docked at marinas and yacht clubs (1940 vessels), (2) vessels docked at non-marina facilities (559 vessels) and (3) transient vessels (125 vessels). The vessel population based on length is 1505 vessels less than 26 feet in length, 885 vessels between 26 feet and 40 feet in length and 234 vessels greater than 40 feet in length. Based on number and size of boats, and using various methods to estimate the number of holding tanks, it is estimated that 3 to 5 pumpouts are needed for the Manasquan River.

The EPA hereby makes a tentative affirmative determination that adequate facilities for the safe and sanitary removal and treatment of sewage from all vessels are reasonably available for the Manasquan River in the counties of Monmouth and Ocean, New Jersey. A final determination on this matter will