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 any 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission

December 9, 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 License of Hydroelectric Facility.
 - b. Project No.: P-2055-000.
 - c. Date Filed: November 24, 1998.
- d. Applicant: Idaho Power Company, Idaho.
- *e. Name of Project:* C.J. Strike Hydroelectric Project.
- f. Location: On the Snake River in Owyhee County, Idaho between the towns of Grandview and Bruneau.
- *g. Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. §§ 791(a)–825(r).
- h. Applicant Contact: L. Lewis Wardle, Relicensing Project Manager, Idaho Power Company, P.O. Box 70, Boise, Idaho 83707, (208) 388–2964.
- *i. FERC Contact:* John Blair (202) 219–2845.

j. Comment Date: 60 days from the filing date in paragraph c.

k. Description of Project: The project consists of: (1) the existing reservoir impounding 32 miles of the Snake River and 7 miles of the Bruneau River; (2) the existing 3,220-foot-long dam with a height of 115 feet; (3) a powerhouse containing three generating units having an installed capacity of 82.8 megawatts; (4) 3,019 acres of Bureau of Land Management land; (5) two 138-kv transmission lines spanning a total of 90 miles.

l. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the *Idaho 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 800.4.

m. Under Section 4.32(b)(7) of the Commission's regulations (18 CFR), if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that he 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 date the application is filed, and must serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Jurisdiction Determination

December 9, 1998.

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

- a. Type of Application: Jurisdiction Review.
 - b. Docket No: JR98-1-000.
 - c. Date Filed: August 31, 1998.
 - d. Applicant: CHI Energy, Inc.
- e. Name of Project: Lower PelzerHydroelectric Project, FERC Project No. 10253.
- f. Location: On the Saluda River, in Anderson and Greenville Counties, approximately 2 miles south of Pelzer, SC.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC Section 791(a)–825(r).
- h. Applicant Contact: Beth E. Harris, P.E., CHI Energy, Inc., 1311A Miller Road, Greenville, SC 29604, (864) 281–9630, (864) 281–9634 (FAX).
- *i. FERC Contact:* Diane M. Murray, (202) 219–2682, (202) 219–2732 (FAX).
- j. Comment Date: January 22, 1999.
- k. Description of Project: The existing project consists of: (1) a reservoir with a surface area of 80 acres; (2) a granite masonry dam with a 32-foot-high, 310-foot-long overflow spillway and topped by four-foot-high flashboards; (3) a powerhouse containing five generators with a total capacity of 3.3 MW; and (4) appurtenant facilities.

When a request for a Jurisdiction Review is filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Federal Power Act requires the Commission to investigate and determine if the

interests of interstate or foreign commerce would be affected by the project. The Commission also determines whether or not the project: (1) would be located on a navigable waterway; (2) would occupy or affect public lands or reservations of the United States; (3) would utilize surplus water or water power from a government dam; or (4) if applicable, has involved or would involve any construction subsequent to 1935 that may be increased or would increase the project's head or generating capacity, or have otherwise significantly modified the project's pre-1935 design or operation.

- l. This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs: B, C1, and D2.
- 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.
- C1. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS" "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS". "PROTESTS", OR "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. A copy of any 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6201-7]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Personal Exposure of High-Risk Subpopulations to **Particles**

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA). **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 proposed and/or continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

Title: Exposure of High-Risk Subpopulations to Particles. EPA ICR Number: 1887.1

Before submitting this 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 February 16, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons may obtain a copy of this ICR without charge by contacting Ms. Shari Pricer, US EPA (MD-78A), Research Triangle Park, NC

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Shari Pricer, 919-541-2198. Fax: 919-541-1111. E-mail:

pricer.shari@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For technical information on the proposed study, contact the Project Officer, Dr. Lance Wallace, 703-648-4287. FAX: 703-648-4290. E-mail: wallace.lance@epamail.epa.gov.

Affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are patients who may be asked to take part in the study by participating physicians.

Title: Personal Exposure of High-Risk Subpopulations to Particles (EPA ICR No. 1887.1).

Abstract: The National Exposure Research Laboratory of the Office of Research and Development (ORD) at EPA is funding four studies of personal exposure of high-risk subpopulations to particles and associated gases. These

studies have been recommended by the National Academy of Sciences (NAS).

Three of the studies are three year cooperative agreements with the following institutions: the Harvard School of Public Health, the New York University School of Medicine, and the University of Washington. The fourth study is an EPA conducted study with contractual support. All four studies will employ the same questionnaire to supplement the collection of information on personal, indoor, and outdoor concentrations of the target pollutants. Subjects will be drawn from high-risk subpopulations with respiratory or cardiovascular disease. Participation will be entirely voluntary.

The information will be used by scientists within ORD and external to the Agency to evaluate the relationships between personal exposure, indoor concentrations, and concentrations measured at a central monitoring site for one or more high-risk subpopulations, including particularly persons with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and persons with cardiovascular disease. The data will also be used by the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards in their review of the basis for the proposed $PM_{2.5}$ regulation. The information will appear in the form of final EPA reports, journal articles, and will also be made publicly available in an electronic data base.

The cost of the four studies is expected to be \$6M over a period of three years. Approximately 240 respondents will be included. The cost to the respondent will be negligible. An incentive payment will be offered to defrav burden.

An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15

The EPA would like to solicit comments to:

(i) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic. mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Burden Statement: The average time to review instructions and answer the questionnaire is estimated to be 26 minutes. The questionnaire is administered once each day for periods of 7, 14, 24, or 56 visits per year, depending on the individual study. The total time spent answering the questionnaire is estimated to be 1,217.2 hours for 104 respondents per year, or about 12 hours per year per respondent on average.

Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal Agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information: and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

T.A. Clark,

Acting Director, National Exposure Research Laboratory (MD-75).

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6202-7]

Notice of Proposed Purchaser Agreement Pursuant to the **Comprehensive Environmental** Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as Amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 ("CERCLA"), 42 U.S.C. 9601-9675,