

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission**Notice of Application and Applicant
Prepared Environmental Assessment
Accepted for Filing; Requesting
Interventions and Protests;
Establishing Procedural Schedule and
Final Amendment Deadline;
Requesting Comments, Final Terms
and Conditions, Recommendations
and Prescriptions; Requesting Reply
Comments**

January 15, 1999.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application and Applicant Prepared Environmental Assessment (APEA) has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. Type of Application: New Major License.

b. Project No.: P-1218-014.

c. Date filed: November 25, 1998.

d. Applicant: Georgia Power Company.

e. Name of Project: Flint River Hydroelectric Project.

f. Location: The project is located on the Flint River near the City of Albany, in Lee and Dougherty Counties, Georgia. The project would not utilize any federal lands or facilities.

g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. §§ 791(a)-825(r).

h. Applicant Contact: Mr. Mike Phillips, Georgia Power Company, Bin 10151, 241 Ralph McGill Boulevard, NE, Atlanta, GA 30308-3374, Tel. (404) 506-2392.

i. FERC Contact: Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Allan E. Creamer, E-mail address allan.creamer@ferc.fed.us, or telephone (202) 219-0365.

j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene, protests, comments, final terms and conditions, recommendations, and prescriptions: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

Deadline for applicant to file any final amendments to the application: 45 days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all interveners filing documents with the commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervener 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 the that resource agency.

k. Status of environmental analysis: On March 6, 1996, the Director, Office of Hydropower Licensing, waived or amended certain of the Commission's regulations to allow for coordinated preparation of the license application and an APEA. Since then, the Commission has been working cooperatively in advising the applicant and its Consultation Team on studies or other information foreseeable required by the Commission.

Commission staff have reviewed the license application and APEA and have determined that the application is acceptable and no additional information or studies are needed to prepare the Commission's environmental assessment (EA).

Comments, as indicated above, are now being requested from interested parties. The applicant will have 45 days following the end of this period to respond to those comments, or may elect to seek a waiver of this deadline. Because the issues in this relicensing have been resolved prior to the final license application being filed, Commission staff do not anticipate issuing a draft EA. Rather, comments, terms and conditions, recommendations, prescriptions, and reply comments, if any, will be addressed in a final EA issued in the Spring of 1999.

l. Description of Project: The project consists of the following facilities: (1) the Muckafoonee Creek diversion dam, having (a) a 67-foot non-overflow section, (b) a 22-foot sluice section with two 6- by 8-foot sluices, and (c) a 133-foot gated spillway section with six 21- by 6-foot vertical lift gates; (2) a 500-foot-long reinforced concrete, free-crested auxiliary spillway and a 2,600-foot-long earthen dike; (3) the Flint River dam, having (a) a concrete intake structure, (b) a powerhouse (integral with the dam) containing three 1.8-megawatt (MW) generating units, for a total installed capacity of 5.4 MW, (c) a 464-foot-long spillway with 16 Taintor gates, and (d) a 1,700-foot-long earthen dike; (4) a 1,250-acre impoundment, impounding 10 miles of the mainstream Flint River and the lower reaches of the Kinchafoonee and Muckalee Creeks, at a water surface elevation of 181.8 feet plant datum, with a total storage capacity of 7,800 acre-feet; and (5) appurtenant facilities. The average annual generation is about 34.428 Gigawatt-hours.

m. Locations of the application and APEA: Copies of the application and APEA are available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, D.C. 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. The application and APEA may be viewed on the web at www.ferc.fed.us. Call (202) 208-2222 for assistance. Copies are also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

n. Protests or Motions to Intervene— Anyone may submit a protest or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Rules of Practice and Procedures, 18 C.F.R. sections 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests 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 protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application and APEA.

o. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents— The Commission is requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, prescriptions, and reply comments.

The Commission directs, pursuant to 18 CFR section 4.34(b) of the regulations, that all comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions concerning the application and APEA 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.

p. All filings must: (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST," "MOTION TO INTERVENE," "COMMENTS," "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," "PRESCRIPTIONS," or "REPLY COMMENTS;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application and APEA to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set

forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application and APEA 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, D.C. 20426. An additional copy must be sent to: Director, Division of Licensing and Compliance, Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. Each filing must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed on the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 3.34(b) and 385.2010.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of New Major Licenses and Applicant Prepared Environmental Assessment

January 15, 1999.

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

a. Type of Application: Amendment of license.

b. Project No: 2307-045.

c. Date Filed: November 2, 1998.

d. Applicant: Alaska Electric Light and Power Company.

e. Name of Project: Salmon Creek Project.

f. Location: City & Borough of Juneau. Within the First Judicial District of the State of Alaska.

g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. Section 791(a)-825(r).

h. Applicant Contact: Tim McLeod, Vice President, Transmission & Distribution, Alaska Electric Light and Power Company, 5601 Tonsgard Court, Juneau, AK 99801, (907) 780-2222.

i. FERC Contact: Anum Purchiaroni, (202) 219-3297.

j. Comment Date: March 1, 1999.

k. Description of Project: Alaska Electric Light Power Company (AELP), license for the Annex Creek and Salmon Project, has filed an application to amend its license. AELP proposes to relocate approximately 1¼ mile of the Annex Creek transmission line from

overhead to underground. It has 12 miles of 23-kV overhead transmission line extending from the Annex Powerhouse to the Thane Substation. The Annex Creek transmission line is situated in a remote area of the Tongva National Forest.

1. 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", "PROTEST", 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, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

D3. Agent 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.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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Notice of Applications Tendered for Filing; of Applications and Applicant Prepared Environmental Assessment Accepted for Filing; Requesting Interventions and Protests; Establishing Procedural Schedule and Final Amendment Deadline; and Requesting Comments, Final Terms and Conditions, Recommendations and Prescriptions

January 15, 1999.

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 licenses and Applicant Prepared Environmental Assessment (APEA).

b. Project Nos.: 2901-008 and 2902-009.

c. Date filed: December 29, 1998.

d. Applicant: Nekoosa Packaging Corporation (Nekoosa), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Georgia-Pacific Corporation.

e. Name of Projects: Holcomb Rock Hydroelectric Project, Project No. 2901 and Big Island Hydroelectric Project, Project No. 2902.

f. Location: James River, in Bedford and Amherst Counties, Virginia.

g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC §§ 791(a)—825(r).

h. Applicant Contact: Mr. P.J. Purdy, General Manager, Georgia-Pacific Corporation, Highway 501 North, Big Island, VA 24526, (804) 299-5911.

i. FERC Contact: Any questions on this notice should be addressed to James T. Griffin, E-mail address james.griffin@ferc.fed.us, or telephone (202) 219-2799.

j. Deadline for filing any final amendments to the application: 45 days from the date of this notice.

Deadline for filing interventions: 60 days from the date of this notice.

Deadline for filing any final comments, final recommendations, terms and conditions and prescriptions: 60 days from the date of this notice.

Deadline for applicant's response to final comments, final recommendations, terms and conditions and prescriptions: 105 days from the date of this notice.

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