

with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

a. *Type of Application*: Minor license (subsequent).

b. *Project No.*: 620-009.

c. *Date filed*: October 3, 2003.

d. *Applicant*: NorQuest Seafoods, Inc.

e. *Name of Project*: Chignik Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location*: The project is located along Indian Creek, in Lake and Peninsula Borough counties, near the town of Chignik, Alaska. The project occupies 58 acres of Federal land managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

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

h. *Applicant Contacts*: Ron Soule, NorQuest Seafoods, Inc., 5245 Shilshole Avenue NW., Seattle, Washington, 98107-4833, (206) 281-7022. Daniel Hertrich, Polarconsult Alaska, Inc., 1503 W 33rd Avenue # 310, Anchorage, Alaska, 99503, (907) 258-2420.

i. *FERC Contact*: John Mudre, (202) 502-8902 or john.mudre@ferc.gov.

j. *Cooperating agencies*: We are asking Federal, State, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the environmental document. Agencies who would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing comments described in item k below.

k. Pursuant to § 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than December 3, 2003, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor 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.

Additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status may be filed electronically via the

Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "eFiling" link.

l. This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

m. The existing project consists of a 16.5-foot-high timber dam at the outlet of Upper Lake (a.k.a. Indian Lake), creating a reservoir with a surface area of approximately 20.4 acres at the maximum reservoir elevation of 431 feet (local datum), a channel spillway, a 7,700-foot-long, 8-inch-diameter wood-stave and steel pipeline, a 60-kilowatt generating unit inside the applicant's fish cannery, the generator leads, and appurtenant facilities. No new facilities or changes in operation are proposed.

n. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

o. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the *Alaska State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO)*, as required by section 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36, CFR 800.4.

p. *Procedural schedule and final amendments*: The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Scoping: October 2003.

Issue Acceptance or Deficiency Letter: November 2003.

Notice that application is ready for environmental analysis: April 2004.

Notice of the availability of the EA: November 2004.

Ready for Commission decision on the application: January 2005.

Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance

date of the notice of ready for environmental analysis.

Linda Mitry,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests

November 7, 2003.

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.*: 2619-012.

c. *Date filed*: July 22, 2003.

d. *Applicant*: Duke Power.

e. *Name of Project*: Mission Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location*: The Mission Project is located on the Hiwassee River in Clay County, North Carolina. The project does not affect federal lands.

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

h. *Applicant Contact*: Mr. Jeffrey G. Lineberger; Manager, Hydro Licensing, Duke Power, 526 South Church Street, PO Box 1006, Charlotte, NC 28201-1006.

i. *FERC Contacts*: Lee Emery at (202) 502-8379 or lee.emery@ferc.gov; and Carolyn Holsopple at (202) 502-6407 or carolyn.holsopple@ferc.gov.

j. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests*: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor 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.

Motions to intervene and protests may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the

instructions on the Commission's Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "e-Filing" link.

k. This application has been accepted for filing, but is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. The existing Mission Hydroelectric Project operates in a run-of-river mode, within a 6-inch tolerance band. Project operation is dependent on available flow in the Hiwassee River, which is regulated by TVA's Chatuge dam located approximately 15 miles upstream. The Mission Project consists of the following features: (1) A 397-foot-long, 50-foot-high concrete gravity dam, consisting of, from left to right facing downstream, (a) three bulkhead sections, (b) seven ogee spillway sections, surmounted by 14-foot-high by 16-foot-wide gates, (c) four bulkhead sections, (d) a powerhouse intake structure, and (e) four bulkhead sections; (2) a 47-acre impoundment at elevation 1658.17 msl; (3) three intake bays, each consisting of an 8-foot-diameter steel-cased penstock and a grated trashrack having a clear bar spacing of between 2.25 to 2.5 inches; (4) a powerhouse consisting of a reinforced concrete substructure and a brick superstructure, containing three turbine/generating units, having a total installed capacity of 1,800 kW; (5) a switchyard, with a single three-phase transformer; and (6) appurtenant facilities.

Duke Power estimates that the average annual generation is 8,134,370 kWh. Duke Power uses the Mission Project facilities to generate electricity for use by retail customers living in the Duke Power-Nantahala Area.

m. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

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n. Anyone may submit a protest or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210,

385.211, and 385.214. 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.

When the application is ready for environmental analysis, the Commission will issue a public notice requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST" or "MOTION TO INTERVENE"; (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. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 637-022—WA]

Public Utility District No.1 of Chelan County; Notice of Meeting To Discuss Settlement Agreement for the Licensing of the Lake Chelan Project

October 20, 2003.

On November 6, 2003, staff from the Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County will meet with Commission staff to discuss the settlement agreement for the licensing of the Lake Chelan Hydroelectric Project, located on the Chelan River near the City of Chelan, Washington. The meeting will be held at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC, on November 6, 2003, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. in Hearing Room 3. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend, and should contact David Turner at 202-502-6091 by November 3, 2003 if they plan to attend. This

meeting is posted on the Commission's calendar located at <http://www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx> along with other related information.

If you have further questions, please contact David Turner, at 202-502-6091.

Linda Mitry,
Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PL03-6-000]

Natural Gas Markets Conference; Agenda for the Conference

October 9, 2003.

1. As announced in the Notice of Conference issued September 23, 2003, and clarified in the Supplemental Notice issued October 3, 2003, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) will convene a public conference on October 14, 2003 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Meeting Room.

2. The purpose of this conference is to discuss the findings and recommendations contained in the National Petroleum Council's (NPC) report, *Balancing Natural Gas Policy—Fueling the Demands of a Growing Economy*,¹ and to explore any other issues the Commission should consider in shaping its future regulatory policies concerning the natural gas industry. Issues contained in contested cases pending before the Commission will not be discussed. Attached is the Agenda for the conference.

3. All interested persons are invited to attend. No registration is required for attendance. All visitors must check-in at the 888 First Street NE., entrance and have picture identification readily available to ensure quick admittance to the building.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

Attachment: The Agenda

Opening Remarks—9-9:10 a.m.

Pat Wood, III, Chairman, FERC

Introduction of NPC Report—9:10-9:30 a.m.

Richard D. Kinder, Vice Chair,

¹The NPC Report's summary of findings and recommendations was released by the NPC on September 25, 2003, and is available on the NPC Web site at <http://www.npc.org>. The entire integrated report is scheduled to be released by the NPC on or about the day of the conference on its web site. Printed copies of the integrated report will not be distributed at the conference.