

copying in the Public Reference Room or on the internet at www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm for viewing and downloading (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

6. Energy Sales Network, Incorporated

[Docket No. ER99-2233-000]

Take notice that on March 22, 1999, Energy Sales Network, Incorporated (ENERGY) filed a quarterly report for the quarter ending on March 31, 1999. ENERGY also filed a notice of cancellation of rate schedule no. 1 in the same filing.

Comment date: April 28, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

7. New England Power Pool

[Docket No. ER99-2335-000]

Take notice that on April 5, 1999, the New England Power Pool (NEPOOL) Executive Committee tendered for filing a Supplemental Filing to NEPOOL's proposals for a Congestion Management System and Multi-Settlement System that was filed with the Commission on March 31, 1999.

The NEPOOL Executive Committee states that copies of these materials were sent to all Participants in the New England Power Pool and to the New England state governors and regulatory commissions.

Comment date: April 23, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

8. Avista Corporation

[Docket No. ER99-2389-000]

Take notice that on April 5, 1999, Avista Corporation, tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission pursuant to 18 CFR Part 35 of the Commission Rules and Regulations, an executed Long Term Service Agreement under Avista Corporation's FERC Electric Tariff First Revised Volume No. 9 with Illinova Energy Partners.

Avista Corporation requests waiver of the prior notice requirements and that the executed Long Term Service Agreement be accepted for filing effective April 1, 1999.

Notice of the filing has been served upon Illinova Energy Partners.

Comment date: April 23, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

9. Automated Power Exchange, Inc.

[Docket No. ER99-2390-000]

Take notice that on April 5, 1999, Automated Power Exchange, Inc. (APX), tendered for filing a revision to its Supplement No. 1, to APX Rate Schedule No. 2.

APX requests that its revised Supplement No. 1 to APX Rate Schedule No. 2, be accepted to become effective as of May 1, 1999.

Comment date: April 23, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

10. Mid-Continent Area Power Pool

[Docket No. ER99-2391-000]

Take notice that on April 5, 1999, the Mid-Continent Area Power Pool (MAPP), on behalf of its Members that are subject to Commission jurisdiction as public utilities under Section 201(e) of the Federal Power Act, tendered for filing amendments to MAPP Schedule F to (I) add provisions to assess charges for unauthorized use of service at two times the normal rate, (ii) add confirmation times for firm and non-firm service, and (iii) provide the MAPP Contractor with the power to waive the reservation timing requirements for Firm Capacity Transmission Service and Reserved Non-Firm Service immediately following a declared emergency.

Comment date: April 23, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

11. Peco Energy Company

[Docket No. ER99-2392-000]

Take notice that on April 5, 1999, PECO Energy Company (PECO), tendered for filing a Service Agreement dated March 31, 1999 with Strategic Energy Ltd. (SEL) under PECO's FERC Electric Tariff Original Volume No. 1 (Tariff). The Service Agreement adds SEL as a customer under the Tariff.

PECO requests an effective date of March 31, 1999, for the Service Agreement.

PECO states that copies of this filing have been supplied to SEL and to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

Comment date: April 23, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

12. Southern Company Services, Inc.

[Docket No. ER99-2393-000]

Take notice that on April 5, 1999, Southern Company Services, Inc., acting on behalf of Alabama Power Company, Georgia Power Company, Gulf Power Company, Mississippi Power Company, and Savannah Electric Power Company (collectively referred to as Operating Companies), tendered for filing information concerning the accrual of post-retirement benefits other than pensions as set forth in Statement of Financial Accounting Standard No. 106 by the Financial Accounting Standards Board in agreements and tariffs of the

Operating Companies (jointly and individually).

Comment date: April 23, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraphs

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such 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 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 these filings are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 9974-040]

Rough and Ready Hydro Inc., Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment and Soliciting Comments

April 12, 1999.

A draft environmental assessment (DEA) is available for public review. The DEA is for the proposed revocation of exemption from licensing for the Upper Watertown Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 9974). The DEA finds that the proposed revocation would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. The Upper Watertown Hydroelectric Project is located on the Rock River in the City of Watertown, Jefferson County, Wisconsin.

The DEA was written by staff in the Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Copies of the DEA can be viewed at the Commission's Public Reference Room, Room 2A, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. Copies can also be obtained by calling the project

manager, Bob Fletcher at (202) 219-1206 or viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm>. Please call (202) 208-2222 for assistance.

Please submit any comments on the DEA within 60 days from the date of this notice. A public meeting will be scheduled to allow public input into the preparation of the final EA. The date and place of the meeting has yet to be determined, but will occur in the vicinity of the project. Parties to the proceeding will be notified as to the date, time, and place of the meeting. Any comments, conclusions, or recommendations that draw upon studies, reports, or other working papers of substance should be supported by appropriate documentation. Comments should be addressed to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. Please affix Project No. 9974-040 to all comments.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP99-277-000]

Northwest Pipeline Corporation; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed North Bonneville Emergency Realignment Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

April 12, 1999.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the North Bonneville Emergency Realignment Project involving construction, operation, and abandonment of facilities by Northwest Pipeline Corporation (Northwest) in Skamania County, Washington.¹ These facilities consist of replacing about 500 feet of 26-inch-diameter pipeline destroyed in a landslide incident on February 26, 1999, with about 2,200 feet of 26-inch-diameter pipeline on a route which circumbents the landslide area and a new mainline valve. About 1,390

feet of temporary 16-inch-diameter pipeline would also be abandoned.

This EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity. The application and other supplemental filings in this docket are available for viewing on the FERC Internet website (www.ferc.fed.us). Click on the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" from the RIMS Menu, and follow the instructions.

Similarly, the "CIPS" link on the FERC Internet website provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings. From the FERC Internet website, click on the "CIPS" link, select "Docket #" from the CIPS menu, and follow the instructions.

If you are a landowner receiving this notice, you may be contacted by a pipeline company representative about the acquisition of an easement to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed facilities. The pipeline company would seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement. However, if the project is approved by the Commission, that approval conveys with it the right to eminent domain. Therefore, if easement negotiations fail to produce an agreement, the pipeline company could initiate condemnation proceedings in accordance with state law. A fact sheet addressing a number of typically asked questions, including the use of eminent domain, is attached to this notice as appendix 1.²

Summary of the Proposed Project

Due to the landslide, Northwest must permanently replace a short unlooped section of its mainline system in Skamania County, Washington. Northwest seeks authority to:

- Abandon in place about 1,340 feet of existing 26-inch-diameter mainline;
- Replace this portion of pipeline with about 2,200 feet of 26-inch-diameter pipeline in a new right-of-way due south of the existing mainline;
- Abandon by removal about 1,390 feet of 16-inch-diameter pipeline temporarily installed on the ground surface atop the landslide; and
- Permanently operate a new mainline block valve installed on an emergency basis immediately west of the landslide.

The location of the project facilities is shown in appendix 2.

² The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the **Federal Register**. Copies are available from the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, or call (202) 208-1371. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail.

Land Requirements for Construction

Construction of the proposed facilities would require about 5.6 acres of land. Following construction, about 2.5 acres would be maintained as new right-of-way.

The EA Process

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impacts that could result from an action whenever it considers the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. NEPA also requires us to discover and address concerns the public may have about proposals. We call the "scoping". The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the EA on the important environmental issues. By this Notice of Intent, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of the issues it will address in the EA. All comments received are considered during the preparation of the EA. State and local government representatives are encouraged to notify their constituents of this proposal and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

The EA will discuss impacts that could occur as a result of the construction and operation of the proposed project under these general headings:

- Geology and soils.
- Vegetation and wildlife.
- Endangered and threatened species.
- Water resources, fisheries, and wetlands.
- Land use.
- Public safety.
- Cultural resources.

We will also evaluate possible alternatives to the proposed project or portions of the project, and make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid impacts on the various resource areas. Because of the emergency nature of Northwest's proposal, we are limiting our scoping period to 20 days from the date this notice is issued, and plan to conduct our assessment on an expedited basis.

Our independent analysis of the issues will be presented in the EA. Depending on the comments received during the scoping process, the EA may be mailed to commenting individuals once the Commission acts on Northwest's filing.

To ensure your comments are considered, please carefully follow the instructions in the public participation section beginning on page 4.

¹ Northwest's application was filed with the Commission under Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations.