

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 7454-005]

El Dorado Irrigation District; Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Assessment

December 14, 1999.

An final environmental assessment (FEA) is available for public review. The FEA is to surrender the exemption from licensing for the Weber Dam Hydroelectric Project. The Project is located on the North Fork Weber Creek in El Dorado County, California.

The FEA was written by staff in the Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Copies of the FEA can be viewed in the Public Reference Branch, Room 2A, of the Commission's offices at 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. This document may be viewed on <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call (202) 208-2222 for assistance).

For further information, please contact the project manager, Ms. Rebecca Martin, at (202) 219-2650.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****Notice of Intent To File an Application For a Subsequent License**

December 14, 1999.

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File An Application for a Subsequent License.

b. *Project No.:* 4914.

c. *Date Filed:* November 26, 1999.

d. *Submitted By:* International Paper Company-current licensee.

e. *Name of Project:* Nicolet Mill Dam Project.

f. *Location:* At the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' DePere Dam, on the Fox River, in Brown County, Wisconsin.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Section 15 of the Federal Power Act.

h. *Licensee Contact:* Tom Piette, International Paper Company, 2000 Main Avenue, De Pere, WI 54115, (920) 336-4211.

i. *FERC Contact:* Tom Dean, thomas.dean@ferc.fed.us, (202) 219-2778.

j. *Effective date of current license:* January 1, 1955.

k. *Expiration date of current license:* November 30, 2004.

l. *Description of Project:* The project consists of the following existing facilities: (1) a 13.6 foot-high, 400-foot-long diversion structure attached to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' DePere Dam; (2) intake works consisting of 28 gates screened with steel racks; (3) a powerhouse containing two generating units with a total installed capacity of 1,078 kW; and (4) other appurtenances.

m. Each application for a subsequent license and any competing license applications must be filed with the Commission at least 24 months prior to the expiration of the existing license. All applications for license for this project must be filed by November 30, 2002.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

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**

December 14, 1999.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Minor License

b. *Project No.:* P-11727-000.

c. *Date Filed:* April 6, 1999.

d. *Applicant:* City of Granite Falls, Minnesota.

e. *Name of Project:* Minnesota Falls Hydro Project.

f. *Location:* On the Minnesota River in Chippewa and Yellow Medicine Counties, near Granite Falls, Minnesota.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* William P. Levin, City Manager, City of Granite Falls, 885 Prentice Street, Granite Falls, MN 56241-1598, (320) 564-3011 Ext. 5000.

i. *FERC Contact:* Ed Lee (202) 319-2809 or E-mail address at Ed.Lee@FERC.fed.us

j. *Comment Date:* February 18, 2000.

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 intervenors filing documents with the Commission

to serve a copy of the 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.

k. *Status of Environmental Analysis:* This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. *Description of Project:* The proposed run-of-river Minnesota Falls Project consists of: (1) an 18-foot-high and 500-foot-long embankment and gravity dam which includes two 13-foot-high concrete spillway sections approximately 307-foot-long, and a 175-foot-long, 4-foot-high earth embankment section on the west side; (2) a 3.4-mile-long reservoir having a surface area of 150-acre and a storage area of 735 acre-feet at normal pool elevation of 883.9 feet M.S.L.; (3) a conduit intake structure located at the east abutment of the spillway; (4) a 9-foot-diameter, 200-foot-long penstock and bifurcation; (5) a powerhouse housing two 580-kW generating units for an installed capacity of 1,160 kW; (6) a proposed substation; and (7) appurtenant facilities. The applicant estimates that the total average annual generation would be 3,600 MWh. All generated power is utilized within the applicant's electric utility system.

m. A copy of the application is 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 may be viewed on <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> or call (202) 208-2222 for assistance. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

n. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

Protests or Motions to Intervene—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.

Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time; therefore, the Commission is not now requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

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. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies required by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Project Review, Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6512-5]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Pre-award Compliance Review Report for all Applicants Requesting Federal Financial Assistance

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management

and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Pre-award Compliance Review Report for all Applicants Requesting Federal Financial Assistance, EPA ICR No. 0275.07, EPA Form 4700-4, OMB Control No. 2090-0014, Expiration Date March 31, 2000. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before January 19, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For a copy of the ICR contact Sandy Farmer at EPA by phone at (202) 260-2740, by email at farmer.sandy@epa.gov, or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. 0275.07. For technical information about the collection contact Ann Goode, at (202) 260-4575.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Pre-award Compliance Review Report for all Applicants Requesting Federal Financial Assistance, EPA ICR No. 0275.07, EPA Form 4700-4, OMB Control No. 2090-0014, expiration date March 31, 2000. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The information request and gathering is part of the requirement of 40 CFR part 7, "Nondiscrimination in Programs Receiving Federal Assistance from the Environmental Protection Agency," at 40 CFR 7.80. The regulation implements statutes which prohibit discrimination on the bases of race, color, national origin, sex and handicap. This information is also required, in part, by the Department of Justice regulations, 28 CFR 42.406 and 28 CFR 42.407. The information is collected on a short form from grant and loan applicants as part of the application. The EPA Director of Civil Rights manages the data collection through a regional component or delegated state, both of whom also carry out the data analysis and make the recommendation on the respondent's ability to meet the requirements of the regulation, as well as the respondent's current compliance with the regulation. The information and analysis is of sufficient value for the Director to determine whether the applicant is in compliance with the regulation. Analysis of the data allows EPA to determine:

(1) Whether there appears to be discrimination in the provision of program or activity services between the minority and non-minority population. This allows EPA to determine whether any action is necessary by it before the award of the grant or loan.

(2) Whether the respondent is designing grant or loan financed facilities to be accessible to handicapped individuals or whether a regulatory exemption is applicable. This allows EPA to determine whether design changes are necessary prior to the award of the grant or loan, which can save the respondent a significant amount of money, e.g., ensuring a facility is accessible to the handicapped is much less costly if this requirement is included in the design rather than after construction has begun.

(3) Whether the respondent receives or has applied for financial assistance from other Federal agencies. This information allows EPA to canvass these other agencies to avoid conducting duplicate compliance audits, reviews, or complaint investigations and is a reduction of burden on respondents. Responses to the collection of information are required to obtain a grant or loan and are kept on file by the state distributing the funds.

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 **Federal Register** document required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on April 28, 1999 (64 FR 22861); no comments were received.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average one half (1/2) hour per response. 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.

Affected Entities: State, local, and tribal governments; universities; associations; and non-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 13,100.