

water levels fluctuate daily up to four feet with an occasional drawdown of eight feet for maintenance. Water from the powerhouse is discharged directly to the upper reach of the Sherman Island reservoir.

The Sherman Island development consists of: (1) A 949-foot-long buttressed and gravity dam with a spillway topped with 3.7-foot and 5.7-foot high wooden flashboards with a maximum height of 38 feet and a 584-foot-long non-overflow section with a maximum height of 67 feet; (2) a reservoir with a surface area of 305 acres with a gross storage capacity of 6,960 ac-ft, and a usable storage capacity of 1,060 ac-ft at a normal maximum water surface elevation of 353.3 feet NGVD; (3) a concrete wingwall; (4) a forebay; (5) an intake structure consisting of a power canal with 15 penstocks (three of which are sealed) and 3 1/4-inch clear spaced steel bar trashracks; (6) one powerhouse with four vertical Francis turbines with installed capacities of 7.2 megawatts (MW) each; and (7) a tailrace consisting of a concrete apron to prevent undermining of the powerhouse. The total installed capacity of the development is 28.8 MW and an annual average energy production of 144,452 megawatt-hours. There is a 4,000 foot-long bypassed reach between the dam and the powerhouse.

The Sherman Island development is operated in a peaking mode in tandem with the Spiers Falls development. Maximum normal vertical water surface fluctuation is 3.7 feet with an occasional fluctuation of 7.4 feet for maintenance. Water from the powerhouse is discharged to the upper reach of the Feeder Dam Project (FERC 2554) reservoir.

m. *Locations of the application:* 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, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. The application may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-222 for assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h. above.

Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—The application is ready for environmental analysis at this time, and the Commission is requesting comments, reply comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions.

The Commission directs, pursuant to Section 4.34(b) of the Regulations (*see* Order No. 533 issued May 8, 1991, 56 FR 23108, May 20, 1991) that all

comments, recommendations, terms and conditions and prescriptions concerning the application 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.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS," "REPLY COMMENTS," "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRESCRIPTIONS;" (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 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 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, NE., Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Environmental Engineering Review, 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 4.34(b), and 385.2010.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions To Intervene, Protests, Comments, Recommendations, and Terms and Conditions

July 14, 2000.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Conduit Exemption.

b. *Project No.:* 11845-000.

c. *Date filed:* July 5, 2000.

d. *Applicant:* The Harrisburg Authority.

e. *Name of Project:* Harrisburg Water Supply Project.

f. *Location:* In Dauphin County, Pennsylvania. The project utilizes water from the Dehart Reservoir and does not occupy federal or tribal lands.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Trent A. Hargrove, Chairman, The Harrisburg Authority, One Keystone Plaza, Suite 104, Front and Market Streets, Harrisburg, PA 17101, (717) 232-3777.

i. *FERC Contact:* Robert W. Bell (202) 219-2806.

j. *Status of Environmental Analysis:*

This application is ready for environmental analysis at this time—see attached paragraph D-4.

k. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene, protests and comments:* August 21, 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 interveners filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person in 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 that resource agency.

l. *Description of Project:* The project consists of a proposed powerhouse on the 20-mile long, 42-inch diameter reinforce concrete pipe running between the DeHart Reservoir and the Harrisburg water treatment plant with one new generating unit having an installed capacity of 190-kW. The average annual generation would be 1,466,000 kWh.

m. *Available Locations of Application:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. This filing may be viewed on <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call (202) 208-2222 for assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address shown in item h above.

All documents (original and eight copies should be filed with: David P. Boergers, secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Mail Code: DHAC, PJ-12, 888 First Street NE., Washington DC 20426.

Please include the Project Number 11845-000 on any comments, protests, or motions filed.

Development Application—Any qualified applicant desiring to file a competing application must submit to the Commission, on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application, a competing development application, or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing development application no later than 120 days after the specified deadline date for the particular application. Applications for preliminary permits will not be accepted in response to this notice.

Notice of Intent—A notice of intent must specify the exact name, business address, and telephone number of the prospective applicant, and must include an unequivocal statement of intent to submit, if such an application may be filed, either a preliminary permit application or a development application (specify which type of application). A notice of intent must be served on the applicant(s) named in this public notice.

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 ready for environmental analysis at this time, and the Commission is requesting

comments, reply comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions.

The Commission directs, pursuant to Section 4.34(b) of the Regulations (see Order No. 533 issued May 8, 1991, 56 FR 23108, May 20, 1991) that all comments recommendations, terms and conditions and prescriptions concerning the application 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.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST", "MOTION TO INTERVENE", "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION," "COMPETING APPLICATION," "COMMENTS," "REPLY COMMENTS," "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRESCRIPTIONS," (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. 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 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, NE., Washington, DC 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. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in

accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PL99-3-002]

Certification of New Interstate Natural Gas Pipeline Facilities; Order Further Clarifying Statement of Policy

Issued July 28, 2000.

Before Commissioners: James J. Hoecker, Chairman; William L. Massey, Linda Breathitt, and Curt Hebert, Jr.

On September 15, 1999, the Commission issued a Statement of Policy (Policy Statement) regarding its policy for certificating new pipeline construction.¹ On February 9, 2000, in Docket No. PL99-3-001, the Commission issued an order clarifying the Statement of Policy.² Six parties filed requests for rehearing, reconsideration, or clarification of the February 9 order.³ This order addresses those requests.

I. Background

In the Policy Statement, the Commission explained the analytical steps it will use to evaluate proposals for certificating new construction. In this analysis, the threshold question applicable to an existing pipeline's proposal is whether the project can proceed without subsidies from its existing customers. The next step is to determine whether the applicant has made efforts to eliminate or minimize any adverse effects the project might have on its existing customers, existing pipelines in the market and their captive customers, or the economic interests of landowners and communities affected by the route of the new pipeline. Where residual adverse

¹ Certification of New Interstate Natural Gas Pipeline Facilities, Statement of Policy, 88 FERC ¶61,227 (1999).

² Order Clarifying Statement of Policy, 90 FERC ¶61,128 (2000).

³ American Public Gas Association (APGA); FPL Energy, Inc. (FPL Energy); KeySpan Gas East Corp. and The Brooklyn Union Gas Co., (Keyspan); Pennsylvania Office of Consumer Advocate (Pennsylvania OCA); Process Gas Consumers Group, American Iron and Steel Institute, Georgia Industrial Group, American Forest and Paper Association, Alcoa, Inc., and United States Gypsum Co. (Process Gas); and Texas Eastern Transmission Corp. and Algonquin Gas Transmission Co. (Texas Eastern).