

i. FERC Contact: Jim Haimes, james.haimes@ferc.fed.us, Telephone 202-219-2780.

j. Deadline for Filing Additional Study Requests: September 22, 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 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 that resource agency.

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

l. Description of the Project: The proposed project would consist of the following existing facilities: (1) A 10-foot-high, 660-foot-long, rubble masonry dam having an ungated 410-foot-long spillway; (2) a 1-mile-long, reservoir with a surface area of 35 acres, and no appreciable storage at normal pool elevation, 672.3 feet mean sea level; (3) a 900-foot-long, 100 to 150-foot-wide trailrace, separated from the main river channel by a 200-foot-long, concrete retaining wall and a mid-channel island; and (4) a 60-foot-long by 39-foot-wide brick utility building, which would contain the project's transformers.

The site's 146-foot-long by 36-foot-wide powerhouse, located at the northeast end of the dam, was a stone masonry and wood structure, which contained 6 vertical Francis-type turbine directly connected to 6 generators having a total installed capacity of 1,411 kilowatts. On February 8, 1998, a major fire destroyed the powerhouse's generators and electrical equipment as well as its wooden roof, walls, and floor.

The applicant proposes: (1) to use the project's existing dam, water intake structure, wicket gates, and turbines; (2) to reconstruct the powerhouse with a steel roof and red concrete block walls; (3) to install 6 generators having a combined capacity of 1,440 kilowatts in the restored powerhouse structure; (4) to install 3 dry-type transformers in the utility building; (5) to improve the existing canoe take-out portage trail, and put-in area around the dam's west side; and (6) to operate the project in a run-of-river mode to produce an average of

5,866,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity per year.

m. Locations of the Application: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, Room 2A, located at 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 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) 208-2222 for assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

n. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer as required by § 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR at 800.4.

o. Under Section 4.32(b)(7) of the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 4.32(b)(7)), if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that the applicant should conduct an additional scientific study to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merits, they must file a request for the study with the Commission, not later than 60 days after the date of the application is filed, and must serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Ready for Environmental Analysis and Soliciting Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Prescriptions

August 11, 2000.

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.: 2589-024.

c. Date filed: July 29, 1999.

d. Applicant: Marquette Board of Light and Power.

e. Name of Project: Marquette Hydroelectric Project.

f. Location: On the Dead River, near the City of Marquette, Marquette County, Michigan. The project would not utilize federal lands.

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

h. Applicant Contact: David E. Hickey, Executive Director, Marquette Board of Light and Power, 2200 Wright Street, Marquette, Michigan 49855; (906) 228-0322.

i. FERC Contact: Lee Emery, E-mail address: lee.emery@ferc.fed.us, or telephone (202) 219-2779.

j. Deadline for comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions: 60 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.

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k. Status of environmental analysis: This application has been accepted for filing and is ready for environmental analysis at this time.

1. Description of the Project: The Marquette Project consists of two hydropower developments: the No. 2 (Forestville) development at river mile (RM) 2.5 and the No. 3 (Tourist Park) development at RM 1.0.

The No. 2 development, which is located immediately downstream of the Dead River Project's (FERC Project no. 10855) McClure development, consists of the following existing facilities: (1) a 202-foot-long, 62 foot-high concrete-capped Cyclopean masonry dam comprising: (a) a 197-foot-long concrete retaining wall, (b) a 75-foot-long training wall, and a (c) 33-foot-wide intake for the penstock with inclined trashracks having 1.5-inch clear spaced steel bars, a head gate, and hoist. The masonry dam, which functions as an uncontrolled spillway during extremely high flows, has a spillway crest elevation of 771.0 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD). It is founded on, and anchored to, the bedrock; (2) one 90-inch-diameter, wood-stave penstock that is approximately 4,200 feet long and conveys water from the intake structure to a concrete surge tank; (3) two 440-foot-long, 78-inch-diameter steel penstocks that convey water from the surge tank to Powerhouse No. 2; (4) Powerhouse No. 2, a 40-foot by 96-foot

reinforced concrete and brick structure that contains two turbines, with a combined capacity of 3.2 MW; (5) a 110-acre reservoir; and (6) appurtenant facilities.

The No. 3 development consists of the following existing facilities: (1) a dam that includes (looking from left to right downstream): (a) a 37-foot-long spillway left dike that has a crest elevation of 642.82 feet and a reinforced concrete core wall with a top elevation of 641.84 feet; (b) a concrete ogee uncontrolled spillway that is 80 feet long and has a crest elevation of 638.84 feet (its maximum height is 21 feet above the streambed); (c) a spillway section that contains two 10-foot-high by 10-foot-wide Taintor gates (rollway crest beneath gates is at elevation 629.84 feet) and electric hoists; (d) a 758-foot-long spillway right dike that has a crest elevation of 642.84 feet and a reinforced concrete wall (crest width 13.5 feet); and (e) a reinforced concrete intake structure that has a single 20-foot-wide by 17-foot-high bay, inclined trashracks having 2.0-inch clear spaced steel bars, and a horizontally hinged gate with a dedicated electric hoist; (2) one 8-foot-diameter, 150-foot-long steel penstock that is supported on 9 reinforced-concrete pedestals and conveys water from the intake to Powerhouse No. 3; (3) Powerhouse No. 3, a 28-foot by 40-foot reinforced-concrete and brick structure containing one 700 kW vertical generating unit; (4) a 100-acre reservoir; and (5) appurtenant facilities.

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, Washington, DC 20246, or by calling (202) 208-1371. The application may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202-208-2222 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, N.E., Washington, D.C. 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

[Dockets Nos. RP99-322-000 and RP96-45-000]

Northern Border Pipeline Company; Notice of Informal Settlement Conference

August 11, 2000.

Take notice that an informal settlement conference will be convened in these proceedings on August 23 and 24, 2000 commencing at 10:00 a.m. at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First

Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, for the purpose of exploring the possible settlement of the issues and drafting possible settlement documents in this proceeding.

Any party, as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(c), or any participant as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(b), is invited to attend. Persons wishing to become a party must move to intervene and receive intervenor status pursuant to the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 385.214).

For additional information, contact Marc G. Denkinger (202) 208-2215, William J. Collins (202) 208-0248, or Joel M. Cockrell (202) 208-1184.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 137-002]

Pacific Gas & Electric Company; Notice of Site Visit

August 11, 2000.

Take notice that on August 30 and 31, 2000, the Commission staff will visit the Mokelumne River Hydroelectric Project No. 137 to view the project facilities and area. The project is located in eastern California near the city of Sacramento, in Alpine, Amador, and Calaveras Counties, California. The project occupies federal lands in the Eldorado and Stanislaus National Forests. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to accompany the Commission staff on the site visit.

On Wednesday, August 30, the participants will meet at 8 a.m. at the parking lot of Highway 88 at the turn-off to Tiger Creek Road (access road to the Tiger Creek powerhouse and afterbay). On Thursday, August 31, participants will meet at 8 a.m. at a location to be determined and announced at the end of the day on Wednesday. Those interested in participating should contact Steve Peirano at (415) 973-4481 in advance. Participants should provide their own transportation (a high clearance or four-wheel drive vehicle is recommended) for the site visit and should bring their own lunches.