Facility will be sold by EPIN exclusively at wholesale.

Comment date: April 16, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice. The Commission will limit its consideration of comments to those that concern the adequacy or accuracy of the application.

## Standard Paragraph

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, NE., Washington, DC 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 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments, protests, and interventions may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at http:/ /www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.

#### David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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# **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2585-002]

## Northbrook Carolina Hydro, L.L.C.; Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment

March 27, 2001.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission's) regulations, the Office of Energy Projects has received the application filed on January 4, 1999, by Northbrook Carolina Hydro, L.L.C. (licensee) to surrender its license for the Idols Hydroelectric Project and has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (Draft EA) for the proposed and alternative actions.

The licensee indicates that the cost to replace the project powerhouse and generation equipment, which were destroyed in a fire on February 8, 1998, is not justified based on current and foreseeable electric power rates. The project site is situated near the town of Clemmons, a suburban area located 15 miles southwest of the City of Winston-Salem. The project does not utilize federal lands.

Copies of the Draft EA can be viewed at the Commission's Public Reference Room, Room 2A, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208–1371. The document also may be viewed on the Web at www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm. Call (202) 208–2222 for assistance.

Any comments on the Draft EA should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice and should be addressed to David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please affix "Idols Projects Surrender of License, No. 2585-002" to the first page of your comments. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/ doorbell.htm.

For further information, please contact Jim Haimes, staff environmental protection specialist, at (202) 219–2780 or at his E-mail address: james.haimes@ferc.fed.us.

### David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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# DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

## Notice of Transfer of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

March 27, 2001.

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

a. Application Type: Transfer of License

b. Project No.: 2233-038.

c. *Date Filed:* January 9, 2001, supplement filed March 19, 2001.

d. Applicants: Smurfit Newsprint Corporation, Portland General Electric Company, and Blue Heron Paper Company. e. Name and Location of Project: The Willamette Falls Hydroelectric Project is located on the Willamette River in Clackamas County, Oregon. The project does not occupy federal or tribal land.

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

g. Applicant Contacts: Mr. Craig A. Hunt, Smurfit Newsprint Corporation, 150 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60601; Ms. Julie A. Keil, Portland General Electric Company, 121 SW Salmon Street, Portland, OR 97204, (503) 464–7717; and Mr. Mike Siebers, Blue Heron Paper Company, 419 Main Street, Oregon City, OR 97045, (503) 650–4239.

h. *FERC Contact*: Any questions on this notice should be addressed to James Hunter at (202) 219–2839.

i. Deadline for filing comments and or motions: May 3, 2001.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NW, Washington, DC 20426. Comments, motions to intervene, and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at http://www.ferc.fed,us/efi/doorbell.htm.

Please include the project number (P–2233–038) on any comments or motions filed.

j. Description of Proposal: The applicants request after-the-fact approval of a partial transfer of the license for Project No. 2233, to substitute Blue Heron Paper Company for Smurfit Newsprint Corporation as a co-licensee. The applicants state that Blue Heron Paper Company resulted from a management-led buyout of the assets of Smurfit Newsprint Corporation and that the buyout effected no change in the personnel responsible for operation of the project under the license

The transfer application was filed within five years of the expiration of the license for the project. In Hydroelectric Relicensing Regulations Under the Federal Power Act (54 FR 23,756; FERC Stats. and Regs., Regs. Preambles 1986–1990 30,854 at p. 31,437), the Commission declined to forbid all license transfers during the last five years of an existing license, and instead indicated that it would scrutinize all such transfer requests to determine if the transfer's primary purpose was to give the transferee an advantage in relicensing (id. at p. 31,438 n. 318).

k. 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 www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm (Call (202) 208–2222 for assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the addresses in item g above.

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

Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments 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 comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. An additional copy must be sent to the Director, Division of Hydropower Administration and Compliance, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above-mentioned address. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

Agency Comments—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

## 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

March 27, 2001.

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

- a. *Type of Application:* Original Major License.
  - b. Project No.: 10462-002.
  - c. Date filed: May 31, 1990.
- d. *Applicant:* Erie Boulevard Hydropower, L.P.
- e. *Name of Project:* Allens Falls Project.
- f. Location: On the West Branch of the St. Regis River, near the village of Parishville, St. Lawrence County, New York. The project would not use federal lands.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–825(r).
- h. Applicant Contact: Mr. Jerry L. Sabattis, Erie Boulevard Hydropower, L.P., Suite 201, 225 Greenfield Parkway, Liverpool, NY 13088–6656, (315) 413–2700.
- i. FERC Contact: Peter Leitzke, (202) 219–2803.
- j. Deadline for filing comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions: 60 days from the issuance 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. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's website at http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.

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.

- k. This application has been accepted and is now ready for environmental analysis.
- l. *Description of project:* The Allens Falls Project consists of the following

existing facilities: (1) A 40-foot-high dam composed of a 425-foot-long ungated concrete spillway, a 130-footlong gated section with two 9-foot-high by 60-foot-long steel gates, an 8-footwide log sluice gate, and a 72-foot-long needle beam section; (2) a 132-acre reservoir having a 661-acre-foot net storage capacity at elevation 742.0 feet MSL (mean sea level); (3) an intake structure; (4) a 7-foot-diameter pipeline 9,344 feet long; (5) a differential surge tank; (6) a 7-foot-diameter penstock 886 feet long; 97) a powerhouse housing a 4,400-kW hydropower unit; (8) a tailrace 450 feet long; (9) a 2.4-mile-long 115-kV transmission line; and (10) appurtenant facilities.

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 2–A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208–1371. The application 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 in item h above.

n. Public notice of the filing of the initial development application, which has already been given, established the due date for filing competing applications or notices of intent. Under the Commission's regulations, any competing development application must be filed in response to and in compliance with public notice of the initial development application. No competing applications or notices of intent may be filed in response to this notice.

o. 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

"PRESCRIPTIONS"; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to