of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

j. Description of Project: The proposed project would consist of: (1) The existing 236-foot-long, 14.3-foot-high (with timber flashboards) concrete overflow dam, with a 20-foot-wide Tainter gate-controlled spillway, creating a 210-acre impoundment at normal water surface elevation 845 feet, (2) a powerhouse, proposed to be built at the site of the former powerhouse at the left abutment, containing one or two generating units with a total installed capacity of 560 kilowatts, (4) a 100-footlong, 7.2-kilovolt overhead transmission line connecting to the City's existing distribution system, and (5) appurtenant facilities. The project would have an average annual generation of 2.3 gigawatthours.

k. This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's website at http://www.ferc.gov using the "FERRIS" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1–866–208–3676 or e-mail

FERCONLINESUPPORT@FERC.GOV.
For TTY, call (202) 502–8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item g.

above.

l. Competing Preliminary Permit— Anyone desiring to file a competing application for preliminary permit for a proposed project must submit the competing application itself, or a notice of intent to file such an application, to the Commission on or before the specified comment date for the particular application (see 18 CFR 4.36). Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing preliminary permit application no later than 30 days after the specified comment date for the particular application. A competing preliminary permit application must

conform with 18 CFR 4.30(b) and 4.36. m. Competing Development Application— Any qualified development applicant desiring to file a competing development application must submit to the Commission, on or before a specified comment date for the particular application, either a competing development application or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent to file a development application allows an interested person to file the competing application no later than 120 days after the specified comment date for the particular

application. A competing license application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30(b) and 4.36.

- n. 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.
- o. Proposed Scope of Studies under Permit—A preliminary permit, if issued, does not authorize construction. The term of the proposed preliminary permit would be 36 months. The work proposed under the preliminary permit would include economic analysis, preparation of preliminary engineering plans, and a study of environmental impacts. Based on the results of these studies, the Applicant would decide whether to proceed with the preparation of a development application to construct and operate the project.
- p. 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.
- q. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION", "COMPETING APPLICATION" "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided 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 Hydropower Administration and Compliance, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above-mentioned address. A copy of any notice of intent, competing application or motion to

intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

r. 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.

#### Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Deputy 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

October 16, 2002.

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.: P-5334-019.
  - c. Date filed: October 2, 2001.
- d. *Applicant*: Charter Township of Ypsilanti.
- e. *Name of Project*: Ford Lake Hydroelectric Station.
- f. Location: On the Huron River, Washtenaw County, within the township of Ypsilanti, MI. The project does not affect Federal lands.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. §§ 791 (a)—825(r).
- h. Applicant Contact: Ms. Joann Brinker, Administrative Services/ Human Resources Director, Charter Township of Ypsilanti, 7200 South Huron River Driver, Ypsilanti, Mi 48197, (734) 484–0065.
- i. FERC Contact: Monte TerHaar, (202) 502–6035 or monte.terhaar@ferc.gov.
- j. Cooperating Agencies: We are asking Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the environmental document. Agencies who would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing documents described in item k below.
- k. Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests and requests for

cooperating agency status: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

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.

Motions to intervene and protests and requests for cooperating agency status may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (http://www.ferc.gov) under the "e-Filing" link.

l. This application has been accepted, but is not ready for environmental

analysis at this time.

m. The existing Ford Lake Hydroelectric Project consists of: (1) A 1,050 acre reservoir; (2) a 110-foot-long earth embankment dam; (3) a 46.5-footlong powerhouse with 2 hydroelectric turbines; (4) a 172-foot-long spillway with six bays, each with a 6-foot by 8foot sluice gate; (5) a 380-foot-long earth embankment; (6) a 175-foot-long emergency spillway; (7) two vertical shaft turbine/generator units with an installed capacity of 1,920 kilowatts at normal pool elevation; and (8) appurtenant facilities. The project operates run-of-river with a normal reservoir elevation maintained between 684.4 and 684.9 feet MSL. Average annual generation between 1995 and 2000 has been 8,664 megawatthours. Generated power is sold to Detroit Power. No new facilities are proposed.

n. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov using the "FERRIS" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call 1–866–208–3676 or for TTY, (202) 502–8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

o. 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.

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. 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.,

Deputy Secretary.

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### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7397-7]

## **Gulf of Mexico Program Policy Review Board**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of charter renewal.

The Charter for the Environmental Protection Agency's Gulf of Mexico Program Policy Review Board (GMPPRB) will be renewed for an additional two-year period, as a necessary committee which is in the public interest, in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App.2 section 9(c). The purpose of GMPPRB is to provide advice and recommendations to the Administrator of EPA on issues associated with plans to improve and protect the water quality and living resources of the Gulf of Mexico.

It is determined that GMPPRB is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Agency by law.

Inquiries may be directed to Gloria Car, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. EPA, Gulf of Mexico Program Office (Mail Code: EPA/GMPO), Stennis Space Center, MS, 39529, Telephone (228) 688–2421, or *car.gloria@epa.gov*.

Dated: October 15, 2002.

#### Gloria D. Car,

Designated Federal Officer.

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### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7398-2]

#### Meetings of the Small Systems Affordability Working Group of the National Drinking Water Advisory Council

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: Under section 10(a)(2) of Pub. L. 92–423, "The Federal Advisory Committee Act," notice is hereby given of the forthcoming meetings of the Small Systems Affordability Work Group, of the National Drinking Water Advisory Council, established under the Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 300f et seq.).

DATES: The affordability work group will meet on November 7–8, 2002 (9 a.m.–5:30 p.m. on November 7 and 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. on November 8), then on December 18–19, 2002 (9 a.m.–5:30 p.m. on December 18 and 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. on December 19), and again on January 13–14, 2003 (9 a.m.–5:30 p.m. on January 13 and 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. on January 14).

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at RESOLVE Inc., 1255 23rd Street, NW., Suite 275, Washington, DC and are open to the public, but from past experience, seating will likely be limited.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For more information on the location and times of these meetings, or general background information please contact the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (phone: 800-426-4791 or (703) 285-1093; email: hotline-sdwa@epa.gov). Members of the public are requested to contact RESOLVE if they plan on attending at (202) 944-2300. Any person needing special accommodations at either of these meetings, including wheelchair access, should contact RESOLVE (contact information previously noted), at least five business days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. For technical information contact Mr. Amit Kapadia, Designated Federal Officer, Small Systems Affordability Work Group, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Ground Water and