those parties appearing on the official service list in this docket.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed in accordance with Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. 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 proceedings. This filing 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 (202) 502-8222 or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP02-483-001]

Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company; Notice of Compliance Filing

October 18, 2002.

Take notice that on October 11, 2002, Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company (Williston Basin), tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1, Substitute Eighth Revised Sheet No. 371, with an effective date of October 1, 2002.

Williston Basin states that the filing is being made in compliance with the Commission's Order issued September 27, 2002 in Docket No. RP02–483–000.

Williston Basin states that the instant filing complies with the Commission's Order by removing NAESB Standard 2.3.30 from Subsection 47.2 of its FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 1 as directed by the Commission.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC

20426, in accordance with section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed in accordance with Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. 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 proceedings. This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Webs ite 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 (202) 502-8222 or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER03-34-000, et al.]

FPL Energy Hancock County Wind, LLC, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

October 16, 2002.

The following filings have been made with the Commission. The filings are listed in ascending order within each docket classification.

1. FPL Energy Hancock County Wind, LLC

[Docket No. ER03-34-000]

Take notice that on October 11, 2002, FPL Energy Hancock County Wind, LLC tendered for filing an application for authorization to sell energy and capacity at market-based rates pursuant to section 205 of the Federal Power Act.

Comment Date: November 1, 2002.

2. PEC Energy Marketing, Inc.

[Docket No. ER03-35-000]

Take notice that on October 11, 2002, PEC Energy Marketing, Inc. filed a Notice of Cancellation of its Rate Schedule FERC No. 1.

Comment Date: November 1, 2002.

3. Calpine Northbrook Energy Marketing, LLC

[Docket No. ER03-36-000]

Take notice that on October 11, 2002, Calpine Northbrook Energy Marketing, LLC filed a Notice of Succession to reflect that SkyGen Energy Marketing, LLC has changed its name to Calpine Northbrook Energy Marketing, LLC, and an amendment to its rate schedule.

Comment Date: November 1, 2002.

4. Sierra Pacific Power Company and Nevada Power Company

[Docket No. ER03-37-000]

Take notice that on October 11, 2002, Sierra Pacific Power Company (Sierra) and Nevada Power Company (Nevada Power) tendered for filing pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power revised Service Schedule Nos. 1–7 to their Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT). This filing is intended to update the ancillary services rates included in the OATT. Sierra and Nevada Power request that the revised tariff be made effective on January 1, 2003.

Comment Date: November 1. 2002.

5. MidAmerican Energy Company

[Docket No. ES03-4-000]

Take notice that on October 7, 2002, MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) filed an application under section 204 of the Federal Power Act seeking authorization to issue various forms of long-term debt with a principal amount not to exceed \$700 million during a two-year period.

MidAmerican also requests a waiver of the Commission's competitive bidding and negotiated placement requirements at 18 CFR 34.2.

Comment Date: November 6, 2002.

Standard Paragraph

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing should file 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). 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. All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date, and, to the extent applicable, must be served on the applicant and on any other person designated on the official service list. This filing is available for review at the Commission or may be viewed on the

Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" and follow the instructions (call 202–208–2222 for assistance). 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 under the "e-Filing" link.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 346-037-Minnesota]

Minnesota Power, Inc. d.b.a. ALLETE, Inc.; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

October 17, 2002.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission's) regulations, 18 CFR part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the application for a new license for the Blanchard Project located on the Mississippi River, in Morrison County, Minnesota, and has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project. In the EA, the Commission's staff has analyzed the potential environmental effects of the project and has concluded that approval of the project, with appropriate environmental measures, would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the EA is on file with the Commission and is available for public inspection. The EA may also 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 toll free 1–866–208–3676.

Any comments should be filed within 30 days from the issuance date of this notice and should be addressed to the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Room 1–A, Washington, DC 20426. Please affix "Blanchard Project No. 346" to all comments. Comments 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 Website under the "e-Filing" link. For further information, contact Tom Dean at (202) 502–6041.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM02-16-000]

Notice of Public Forum and Agenda

October 21, 2002.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of public forum and agenda.

SUMMARY: The Federal Energy
Regulatory Commission will host a
public forum to discuss issues and
proposals associated with establishing a
new licensing process. This one-day
forum will be held from 9:00 a.m. until
4:00 p.m. The FERC Commissioners will
attend, and representatives from federal
and state agencies, tribes, nongovernmental organizations, and the
industry have been invited to
participate. All interested persons are
invited to attend.

DATES: November 7, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426/

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Timothy Welch, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502–8760.

Hydroelectric Licensing Regulations Under the Federal Power Act; Notice of Public Forum and Agenda

[Docket No. RM02–16–000] October 18, 2002.

As announced in the Notice Requesting Comments and Establishing Public Forums and Procedures and Schedule, issued on September 12, 2002, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) will host a public forum on November 7, 2002, to discuss issues and proposals associated with establishing a new licensing process. This one-day forum will be held in the Commission meeting room, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The FERC Commissioners will attend, and representatives from federal and state agencies, tribes, non-government organizations, and the industry have been invited to participate. All interested persons are invited to attend. The goal is to identify the need for a new licensing process, key issues a new process should address, as well as how a new licensing process can better accommodate all interested parties' needs. Time will be allotted for audience comment and response to the panelists. We look forward to an informative discussion of the issues associated with development of a new licensing process.

The Forum is not intended to address issues pending in individually docketed hydropower cases before the Commission. Therefore, all participants are requested to address the agenda topics and avoid discussing the merits of individual proceedings. The agenda may be viewed on the Commission's Web site: www.ferc.gov/hydro/docs/

hydro.

Requirements for Paper and Electronic Filings

Comments or other documents related to this forum may be filed in paper format or electronically. Those filing electronically do not need to make a

paper filing.

For paper filings, an original and 8 copies of the comments should be filed with the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. Paper filings should, at the top of the first page, refer to Docket No. RM02–16–000. The deadline to file comments is December 6, 2002.

Comments may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. Documents filed electronically via the Internet must be prepared in WordPerfect, MS Word, Portable Document Format, or ASCII format. To file the document, access the Commission's Web site at http:// www.ferc.gov, click on "e-Filing" and then follow the instructions on the screen. First-time users will have to establish a user name and password. The Commission will send an automatic acknowledgment to the sender's e-mail address upon receipt of comments. User assistance for electronic filing is available at 202-502-8258 or by e-mail to efiling@ferc.gov. Comments should not be submitted to the E-mail address.

All comments will be placed in the Commission's public files and will be available for inspection in the Commission's Public Reference Room at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, during regular business hours. Additionally, all comments may be viewed on the