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Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13333-001]

Public Utility District No. 1 of Klickitat County, Washington; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Competing Applications

On May 1, 2012, the Public Utility District No. 1 of Klickitat County, Washington, filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the JD Pool Pumped Storage Hydroelectric Project (project) to be located near Goldendale, Klickitat County, Washington, and Rufus, Sherman County, Oregon. The project would be partially located on land owned and operated by the U.S. Department of the Army Corps of Engineers. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed project would consist of the following new facilities: (1) A 270-foot-high, 8,610-foot-long earth embankment dam enclosing an upper reservoir; (2) an upper reservoir, with a surface area of 114 acres and a storage capacity of 14,010 acre-feet at a maximum surface elevation of 2,710 feet above mean sea level (msl); (3) a 295-foot-high, 5,870-foot-long earth embankment dam enclosing a lower reservoir; (4) a lower reservoir, with a surface area of 110 acres and a storage capacity of 21,440 acre-feet at a maximum surface elevation of 705 feet msl; (5) a 24-foot-diameter, 9,188-foot-long steel penstock; (6) an underground powerhouse with five 300-megawatt (MW) turbine units with a total installed capacity of 1,500 MW; (7) 5 miles of 500-kilovolt transmission line connecting to Bonneville Power Administration's existing John Day

Substation; and (8) appurtenant facilities. The project would be a closed-loop system and would use water from the Columbia River for initial fill and make-up water. The estimated annual generation of the project would be 4,343 gigawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Mr. John Smith, General Manager, Public Utility District No. 1 of Klickitat County, 1313 S. Columbus Avenue, Goldendale, Washington 98620; phone: (509) 773-5891.

FERC Contact: Kelly Wolcott; phone: (202) 502-6480.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-13333) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. OR12-13-000]

Lion Oil Trading & Transportation, Inc., Magnolia Pipeline Company, and El Dorado Pipeline Company; Notice for Temporary Waiver of Filing and Reporting Requirements

Take notice that on May 8, 2012, pursuant to Rule 202 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.202 (2011), Lion Oil Trading & Transportation, Inc., Magnolia Pipeline Company, and El Dorado Pipeline Company, collectively, Lion Companies, requested that the Commission grant a temporary waiver of the Interstate Commerce Act (ICA) Section 6 and Section 20 tariff filing and reporting requirements applicable to interstate common carrier pipelines. Lion Companies requested review on an expedited basis. Lion Companies state that they have a supply and off-take agreement with J. Aron & Company (J. Aron), which is used as an alternative to conventional financing. Under this agreement J. Aron takes title to crude and refined products on the Lion Companies' system and then resells the crude and refined products to Lion subject to certain conditions at specified price spreads. In support of the request for waiver, Lion Companies assert that the agreement with J. Aron is not a traditional transportation agreement with an unaffiliated shipper, and that even though J. Aron holds title to the throughput, the complex arrangement serves as an alternative to traditional financing, and that it would be difficult for the Lion Companies and J. Aron to revise their arrangement to comply with the statutory provisions and related regulations for which they seek temporary waiver. Lion Companies state that their circumstances fit the criteria the Commission has used in granting such waivers, and that there is no public interest basis to deny the request.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest in the above proceeding must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5 p.m. Eastern Time on the specified 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. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. In reference to filings initiating a new

proceeding, interventions or protests submitted on or before the comment deadline need not be served on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://www.ferc.gov>. To facilitate electronic service, persons with Internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St. NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The filings in the above proceedings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the web site that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, June 6, 2012.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9680-3]

Ambient Air Monitoring Reference and Equivalent Methods: Designation of Three New Equivalent Methods

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has designated, in accordance with 40 CFR Part 53, three new equivalent methods: One for measuring concentrations of nitrogen dioxide (NO₂) and two for measuring concentrations of lead (Pb) in the ambient air.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Vanderpool.Robert@epa.gov. Phone: 919-541-7877. Written inquiries are strongly preferred.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with regulations at 40 CFR Part 53, the EPA evaluates various methods for monitoring the concentrations of those ambient air pollutants for which EPA has established National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQSs) as set forth in 40 CFR Part 50. Monitoring methods that are determined to meet specific requirements for adequacy are designated by the EPA as either reference methods or equivalent methods (as applicable), thereby permitting their use under 40 CFR Part 58 by States and other agencies for determining compliance with the NAAQSs.

The EPA hereby announces the designation of three new equivalent methods for measuring pollutant concentrations in the ambient air: One for NO₂ and two for Pb. These designations are made under the provisions of 40 CFR Part 53, as amended on August 31, 2011 (76 FR 54326- 54341).

The new equivalent method for NO₂ is an automated method (analyzer) utilizing the measurement principle based on gas phase chemiluminescence reaction of nitric oxide (NO) with ozone, using a photolytic NO₂ to NO converter and the calibration procedure specified in the operation manual.

(Note that this NO₂ equivalent method differs from the automated NO₂ reference method by its use of a photolytic NO₂ to NO converter. This is the first NO₂ equivalent method designated with this type of converter). This newly designated equivalent method is identified as follows:

EQNA-0512-200, "Teledyne—Advanced Pollution Instrumentation, Inc. Model 200EUP or T200UP Chemiluminescence Nitrogen Oxides Analyzer", operated on any full scale range between 0–50 ppb and 0–1000 ppb, with any range mode (Single, Independent, or AutoRange), at any ambient temperature in the range of 20 °C to 30 °C, with software Temperature and Pressure compensation ON, in accordance with the associated instrument manual; and with or without any of the following options: Zero/Span Valves, standard serial port (RS232/

RS485) or Multi-drop RS-232, Ethernet port, USB COM port, analog inputs, digital status outputs, analog outputs: 100 mV, 1V, 5V, 10V, 4–20 mA current loop outputs.

The application for equivalent method determination for the NO₂ method was received by the Office of Research and Development on October 4, 2011. These analyzer models are commercially available from the applicant, Teledyne-API, 9480 Carroll Park Drive San Diego, CA 92121-5201.

One of the new equivalent methods for Pb is a manual method that uses the sampling procedure specified in the Reference Method for the Determination of Lead in Suspended Particulate Matter Collected From Ambient Air (High-Volume Sampler), 40 CFR Part 50, Appendix G, with a different extraction and analytical procedure. The method is identified as follows:

EQNA-0512-201, "Determination of Lead in TSP by Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS) With Hot Block Dilute Acid and Hydrogen Peroxide Filter Extraction"

In this method, total suspended particulate matter (TSP) is collected on glass fiber filters according to 40 CFR Appendix G to part 50, *EPA Reference Method for the Determination of Lead in Suspended Particulate Matter Collected From Ambient Air*. The filter samples are extracted in a hot block at 95 °C with a solution of dilute hydrochloric acid and nitric acid and two aliquots of hydrogen peroxide, for a total of two and a half hours extraction time. The samples are brought to a final volume of 50 mL and the lead content of the sample extract is analyzed by Inductively Coupled Plasma-Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS) based on EPA Compendium Method IO-3.5 and SW-846 Method 6020A.

The other new equivalent method for Pb is a manual method that uses the sampling procedure specified in the Reference Method (FRM) for the Determination of Lead in Particulate Matter as PM₁₀ Collected From Ambient Air, 40 CFR Part 50, Appendix Q, with a different extraction and analytical procedure. The method is identified as follows:

EQNA-0512-202, "Determination of Lead in PM₁₀ by Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS) with Hot Block Dilute Acid and Hydrogen Peroxide Filter Extraction"

In this method, PM₁₀ particulate matter is collected on Teflon® membrane filters according to 40 CFR Appendix Q to part 50, *EPA Reference*