

d. *Applicants*: North Central Power Co., Inc. (transferor) and Flambeau Hydro, LLC (transferee).

e. *Name and Location of Project*: The Winter and Arpin Dam Hydroelectric Projects are on the East Fork of the Chippewa River and on the Chippewa River, respectively, in Sawyer County, Wisconsin. The Winter Project occupies federal lands within the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, but no tribal lands. The Arpin Project does not occupy federal or tribal lands.

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

g. *Applicant Contacts*: Mr. Frank F. Dahlberg, North Central Power Co., Inc., P.O. Box 167, Grantsburg, WI 54840, (715) 463-5371 and Mr. Donald H. Clarke, Wilkinson Barker Knauer, LLP, 2300 N Street NW., No. 700, Washington, DC 20037, (202) 783-4141.

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*: December 18, 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. Comments 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 noted project numbers on any comments or motions filed.

j. *Description of Proposal*: The applicants state that the transfer will assure the continued operation of these renewable energy projects and will effect the desired change of ownership of the generating facilities consistent with the restructuring plans of these members of the electric industry.

The transfer application was filed within five years of the expiration of the license for Project No. 2064, which is the subject of a pending relicensing application. In Hydroelectric Relicensing Regulations Under the Federal Power Act (54 Fed. Reg. 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).

The transfer application also contains a separate request for approval of the substitution of the transferee for the

transferor as the applicant in the pending relicensing application, filed by the transferor on November 26, 1999, in Project No. 2064-004.

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) 208-2222 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 Responsible Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTESTS", 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. 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6904-9]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Soil Ingestion Research Study

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit the following proposed Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Soil Ingestion Research Study (EPA ICR Number 1965.01). Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before January 22, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments submitted by regular U.S. Postal Service mail should be sent to: Docket Coordinator, Superfund Docket Office, Mail Code 5201G, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters, Ariel Rios Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, it is imperative that you identify docket control number SOIL-INGEST in the subject line on the first page of your comment. Comments may also be submitted electronically or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for these submission methods as provided in unit III of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section. Copies of the ICR may be obtained from this office (contact Larry Zaragoza 703-603-8867), or the Office of Environmental Information's ICR website at <http://www.epa.gov/icr/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Larry Zaragoza, Office of Emergency and Remedial Response, at 703-603-8867/703-603-9133 (fax), email: Zaragoza.Larry@EPA.Gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Affected Entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are those which

agree to participate in a research study on soil ingestion.

Title: Soil Ingestion Research, (EPA ICR No. 1965.01).

Abstract: This ICR supports research to examine the amount of soil ingested. Soil is ingested in two ways, incidental ingestion from everyday hand to mouth activity and ingestion resulting from inhaled particles of soil that are deposited in upper and middle respiratory tract and swallowed. The ingestion of soil is important because contaminated soils from a hazardous waste site poses risks to individuals exposed to contaminated soil. This research should help any environmental program concerned with contaminated soils but is specifically being sponsored by Superfund. This research will evaluate ingestion by comparing the amount of trace metals that are ingested in food with the amount of metals that are excreted, any amount in excess of the ingested trace metals is attributed to incidental soil ingestion. Because of the possibility of trace metal ingestion from a variety of sources (like food and toothpaste), a questionnaire to identify and characterize sources of trace metals that can affect daily variation in trace metals is an important part of the experimental design of these studies. About 20 study volunteers are paid and are expected to participate in this study for about two weeks. Each night the study participants would participate in a questionnaire that will later be used to help interpret daily variations in trace metals. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15.

The EPA would like to solicit comments to:

(i) evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of

information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Burden Statement: During the study, paid research subjects would fill out a questionnaire on a daily basis. Questions could take 5 minutes. This reporting burden would involve approximately 20 research subjects who are expected to participate in a study for 2 weeks. This information would be collected by the researchers at the research institution conducting the study and the data would be maintained by this group, not the Federal government. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Dated: October 24, 2000.

Elaine F. Davies,

Acting Director, Office of Emergency and Remedial Response.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-00687A; FRL-6755-2]

FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel; Announcement of change of Public Meeting Dates

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing a change in the dates of a public meeting of the FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel which was originally published in the **Federal Register** of November 3, 2000. Meetings were scheduled to be held on December 6, 7, and 8, 2000. The December 6 meeting has been dropped, therefore, meetings will only be held on December 7 and 8, 2000.

DATES: Meetings of the FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel will be held on December 7 and 8, 2000, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Crystal City Hotel, 1800 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA. The telephone number for the Sheraton Hotel is (703) 486-1111. Requests to participate may be submitted by mail, electronically, or in person. Please follow the detailed instructions for each method as provided in Unit I.C. of the originally published notice of November 3, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Olga Odiott, Designated Federal Official, Office of Science Coordination and Policy, (7101C), Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (703) 305-5369; fax number: (703) 605-0656; e-mail address: odiott.olga@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. General Information

A. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general. This action may, however, be of interest to those persons who are or may be required to conduct testing of chemical substances under the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), FIFRA, and FQPA. Since other entities may also be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

II. Purpose of this Notice

EPA is announcing a change in dates of a public meeting of the FIFRA Scientific Advisory Panel which was published in the **Federal Register** of November 3, 2000 (65 FR 66245) (FRL-6753-4). Meetings had been scheduled to be held on December 6, 7, and 8, 2000, but because the session on the LifeLine™ Model Review will not be taking place at this time, the meetings will be held only on December 7 and 8, 2000.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection.

Dated: November 16, 2000.

Steven K. Galson,

Director, Office of Science Coordination and Policy, Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances.

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