representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

s. 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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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions to Intervene, Protests, and Comments

November 20, 2001.

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

- a. Type of $\hat{A}pplication$: Preliminary Permit.
 - b. *Project No.:* 12130–000.
 - c. Date filed: October 1, 2001.
- d. *Applicant:* Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation.
 - e. Name of Project: Swift Dam Project.
- f. Location: On an existing dam owned by Pondera County Canal and Reservoir Company, on Birch Creek, in Pondera County, Montana. The project would be located within the Blackfeet Indian Reservation.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 USC §§ 791(a)–825(r).
- h. Applicant Contact: Ms. Jeanne S. Whiteing, Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, Whiteing & Smith, 1136 Pearl Street, Suite 203, Boulder, CO 80302 (303) 444–2549.
- i. *FERC Contact*: Robert Bell, (202) 219–2806.
- j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene, protests and comments: 60 days from the issuance date 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. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. 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 under the "e-Filing" link.

Please include the project number (P–12130–000) on any comments or motions filed.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all interveners filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person in the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervener 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. Competing Application: Project No. 12037–000, Date Filed: June 4, 2001, Date Notice Closed: September 4, 2001.

l. Description of Project: The proposed project would consist of: (1) An existing 560-foot-long, 205-foot-high concrete dam, (2) an existing reservoir having a surface area of 540 acres with a storage capacity of 30,000 acre-feet and normal water surface elevation of 4,884 feet msl, (3) a proposed intake structure, (4) two proposed 20-foot-long, 48-inch-diameter steel penstocks; (5) a proposed powerhouse containing two generating units with a total installed capacity of 2.2 MW, (6) a proposed 11-mile-long 15 kV transmission line, and (7) appurtenant facilities.

The project would have an annual generation of 9.6 GWh that would be

sold to a local utility.

m. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the web at http://www.ferc.gov using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202–208–2222 for assistance).

n. Preliminary Permit—Public notice of the filing of the initial preliminary permit application, which has already been given, established the due date for filing competing preliminary permit applications or notices of intent. Any competing preliminary permit or development application or notice of intent to file a competing preliminary permit or development application must be filed in response to and in compliance with the public notice of the initial preliminary permit application. No competing applications or notices of intent to file competing applications may be filed in response to this notice. A competing license application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30 (b) and 4.36.

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, 385.211, 385.214. 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", "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 Project Review, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the abovementioned 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.

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