

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 Request To Use Alternative Procedures in Preparing a License Application

September 25, 2002.

Take notice that the following request to use alternative procedures to prepare a license application has been filed with the Commission.

a. *Type of Application*: Request to use alternative procedures to prepare a new license application.

b. *Project No.*: 620.

c. *Date filed*: July 6, 2002.

d. *Applicant*: NorQuest Seafoods, Inc.

e. *Name of Project*: Chignik Project.

f. *Location*: On Indian Creek, a tributary of Chignik Bay, in Chignik, Alaska. The project occupies 38.89 acres of United States lands under the supervision of the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

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

h. *Applicant Contact*: Daniel Hertrich, Polarconsult Alaska, Inc., 1503 W. 33rd Avenue, #310, Anchorage, AK 99503, (907) 258-2420.

i. *FERC Contact*: John Mudre at (202) 502-8902; e-mail john.mudre@ferc.gov.

j. *Deadline for Comments*: 30 days from the 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.

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 Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "e-Filing" link.

k. The existing project consists of a 16.5-foot-high timber dam at the outlet of Upper Lake, creating a reservoir of approximately 8 acres at the maximum reservoir elevation of 431 feet (local datum), a channel spillway, a 7,700-foot-long, 8-inch-diameter wood-stave and steel pipeline, a 60-kW generating unit inside the applicant's fish cannery, the generator leads, and appurtenant facilities. No new facilities are proposed. l. A copy of the request to use alternative procedures 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. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above. m. NorQuest Seafoods, Inc. has demonstrated that it has made an effort to contact all federal and state resources agencies, non-governmental organizations (NGO), and others affected by the project. NorQuest Seafoods, Inc. has also demonstrated that a consensus exists that the use of alternative procedures is appropriate in this case. NorQuest Seafoods, Inc. has submitted a communications protocol that is supported by the stakeholders.

The purpose of this notice is to invite any additional comments on NorQuest Seafoods, Inc.'s request to use the alternative procedures, pursuant to Section 4.34(i) of the Commission's regulations. Additional notices seeking comments on the specific project proposal, interventions and protests, and recommended terms and conditions will be issued at a later date. NorQuest Seafoods, Inc. will complete and file a preliminary Environmental Assessment, in lieu of Exhibit E of the license application. This differs from the traditional process, in which an applicant consults with agencies, Indian tribes, NGOs, and other parties during preparation of the license application and before filing the application, but the

Commission staff performs the environmental review after the application is filed. The alternative procedures are intended to simplify and expedite the licensing process by combining the pre-filing consultation and environmental review processes into a single process, to facilitate greater participation, and to improve communication and cooperation among the participants.

NorQuest Seafoods, Inc. has contacted federal and state resources agencies, NGOs, elected officials, flood control and downstream interests, environmental groups, business and economic development organizations, the boating industry, and members of the public regarding the Chignik Project. NorQuest Seafoods, Inc. intends to file 6-month progress reports during the alternative procedures process that leads to the filing of a license application by October 4, 2003.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Ready for Environmental Analysis and Soliciting Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Prescriptions

September 26, 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.*: 2090-003. c. *Date filed*: August 31, 1999. d. *Applicant*: Green Mountain Power Corporation. e. *Name of Project*: Waterbury Project. f. *Location*: On Little River in Washington County, Vermont. No Federal Lands used in this project. g. *Filed Pursuant to*: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r). h. *Applicant Contact*: Mr. Craig T. Myotte, Green Mountain Power Corporation, 163 Action Lane, Colchester, VT 05446, (802) 660-5830. i. *FERC Contact*: Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Sergiu Serban, E-mail address, sergiu.serban@ferc.gov, or telephone 202-502-6211 j. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests*: 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 and procedure 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.

Comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions 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. k. This application has been accepted, and is ready for environmental analysis at this time. l. The existing project utilizing the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Waterbury Dam and reservoir consists of: (1) A submerged concrete intake structure; (2) two 205-foot-long, 54-inch diameter steel penstocks which connect to a 79-inch-diameter penstock; (3) a powerhouse having one generating unit with an installed capacity of 5,520 kW; (4) a tailrace; (5) 50-foot-long, 33 kV transmission line; and (6) appurtenant facilities. The applicant does not propose any modifications to the project features or operation. The project would have an annual generation of 16,223 MWh and would be used to provide energy to its customers. m. 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 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 (202) 502-8222 or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above. n. The Commission directs, pursuant to Section 4.34(b) of the Regulations (see Order No. 533 issued May 8, 1991, 56 FR 23108, May 20, 1991) that all comments, recommendations, terms and conditions and prescriptions concerning the application be filed with the Commission within 60 days from the issuance date of this notice. All reply comments must be filed with the Commission within 105 days from the date of this notice.

Anyone may obtain an extension of time for these deadlines from the

Commission only upon a showing of good cause or extraordinary circumstances in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2008.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "REPLY COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRESCRIPTIONS;" (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 submitting the filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Each filing must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed on the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b), and 385.2010. o. *Procedural schedule and final amendments*: The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Notice of application is ready for environmental analysis—September 2002

Notice of the availability of the draft EA—March 2003

Notice of the availability of the final EA—June 2003

Ready for Commission's decision on the application—June 2003

Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of this notice.

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Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM01-12-000]

Standard Market Design; Continuing Efforts To Standardize Inputs and Outputs for Electric Market Software

September 24, 2002.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of conference and agenda.

SUMMARY: As announced in the Commission's August 22, 2002, Notice of Follow-up Staff Conference on data and software standards (67 FR 55230, August 28, 2002) the Commission is convening a technical conference on October 3, 2002 at 9:00 a.m. to discuss continued efforts to standardize inputs and outputs for electric market software in connection with the implementation of the Commission's Standard Market Design (SMD) Rule. By this notice, the Commission is providing an agenda for the conference.

DATES: The Conference will be convened on October 3, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Room—2C, Washington, DC 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: René Forsberg, Office of Markets, Tariff and Rates, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-8425. E-mail: Rene.forsberg@ferc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Notice of Conference and Agenda

As announced in the Notice of Conference issued August 22, 2002, the staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) will hold a follow-up conference to the July 18, 2002 Conference on Data and Software Standards. This conference is scheduled for October 3, 2002 to continue our efforts to standardize inputs and outputs for electric market software in connection with the implementation of the Commission's Standard Market Design (SMD) rule. The conference will start at 9 a.m. the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., in Washington DC, in the Commission Meeting Room.

Consistent with the Commission's efforts to assure the efficient operation of wholesale energy markets under the control of independent transmission and market operators, the second conference on software for SMD will explore the question of how to maximize the value and minimize the developmental and user costs of grid and market software and data transfers. This conference will seek to answer, through collaborative discussion, the questions of the appropriate process to develop more standardized and compatible software and data, what entities play a role in developing market and business rules and standards, and how should these matters be organized within the wholesale electric industry stakeholders for timely and cost