

- Reference Docket No. CP04-051-000; and
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before June 7, 2004.

Please note that we are continuing to experience delays in mail deliveries from the U.S. Postal Service. As a result, we will include all comments that we receive within a reasonable time frame in our environmental analysis of this project. However, the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing of any comments or interventions or protests to this proceeding. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the "e-Filing" link and the link to the User's Guide. Before you can file comments you will need to create a free account which can be created by clicking on "Sign-up."

Comments will be considered by the Commission but will not serve to make the commentor a party to the proceeding. Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214).¹ Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision.

Affected landowners and parties with environmental concerns may be granted intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have a clear and direct interest in this proceeding which would not be adequately represented by any other parties. You do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at 1-866-208-FERC or on the FERC Internet Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the eLibrary link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on "General Search" and enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field. Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance with eLibrary, the eLibrary helpline can be reached at 1-866-208-3676, TTY (202) 502-8659 or at FERCONLINESUPPORT@FERC.GOV. The eLibrary link on the FERC Internet website also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

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which allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries and direct links to the documents. Go to <http://www.ferc.gov>, click on "eSubscription" and then click on "Sign-up."

Linda Mitry,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2213-011]

Public Utility District No. 1 of Cowlitz County; Notice of Application and Applicant Prepared Environmental Assessment Tendered for Filing With the Commission, Establishing Procedural Schedule for Relicensing and Deadline for Submission of Final Amendments

May 7, 2004.

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

- Type of Application:* New Major License.
- Project No.:* 2213-011.
- Date Filed:* April 23, 2004.
- Applicant:* Public Utility District No. 1 of Cowlitz County (Cowlitz PUD).
- Name of Project:* Swift No. 2 Hydroelectric Project.
- Location:* On the North Fork Lewis River, in Cowlitz and Skamania Counties, Washington. The project occupies 3.79 acres of federal land administered by the U.S. Forest Service.
- Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).
- Applicant Contact:* Diana McDonald, Public Utility District No. 1 of Cowlitz County P.O. Box 3007, 961 12th Avenue Longview, Washington 98632; Telephone (360) 577-5785; e-mail dmcDonald@cowlitzpud.org.
- FERC Contact:* Jon Cofrancesco at (202) 502-8951; or e-mail at jon.cofrancesco@ferc.gov
- Deadline for filing comments on the application:* 60 days from the filing date shown in paragraph (c), or June 22, 2004.

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; 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. After logging into the e-Filing system, select "Comment on Filing" from the Filing Type Selection screen and continue with the filing process. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing.

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all interveners 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 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. *Cooperating Agencies:* We are asking federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the environmental document. Agencies who would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing comments described in item j above. Agencies granted cooperating status will be precluded from being an intervenor in this proceeding consistent with the Commission's regulations.

l. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the Washington State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), as required by 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR 800.4.

m. *Status:* This application has not been accepted for filing. We are not soliciting motions to intervene, protests, or final terms and conditions at this time.

n. *The Project Description:* The existing project consists of: (1) A 3.2-mile-long power canal consisting of both concrete and earth embankment sections and having a surface area of 53 acres; (2) a 1,100 foot-long concrete lined forebay; (3) an 82-foot-long check structure; (4) a 537 foot-long side channel spillway/wasteway, (5) a 90 foot-high intake structure with two vertical gates; (6) two 250-foot-long steel lined penstocks, (7) a powerhouse, containing two 35-megawatt (MW) generating units, having a total installed capacity of 70 MW; (8) a 0.9-mile-long 230 kilovolt transmission line; and (9) appurtenant facilities.

Historically, Cowlitz PUD has operated the Swift No. 2 Project as a

¹ Interventions may also be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See the previous discussion on filing comments electronically.

peaking facility in a coordinated manner with the upstream Swift No. 1 Hydroelectric Project. In 2002, a portion of the project canal failed resulting in damage to the powerhouse, tailrace, and switchyard and the project has not operated since that time. Reconstruction of the damaged project facilities is scheduled to be completed in late 2005. Cowlitz PUD proposes to operate the project in the same manner as it did historically and to implement various environmental measures at the project.

o. Locations of the Application: 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 "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits in the docket number field (P-2213), to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

p. Procedural schedule and final amendments: The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate.

| Milestone | Target date |
|---|----------------|
| Issue acceptance or deficiency letter. | July 2004. |
| Request additional information (if necessary). | July 2004. |
| Notice soliciting final terms and conditions. | July 2004. |
| Notice of Draft NEPA Document. | October 2004. |
| Notice of Final NEPA Document. | February 2005. |
| Ready for Commission Decision on the Application. | October 2005. |

Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of the notice soliciting final terms and conditions.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 516-388]

South Carolina Gas & Electric Company; Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment

May 7, 2004.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR Part 380 (Order No. 486, 51 FR 47897, the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed South Carolina Gas & Electric Company's application requesting authorization to permit Westshore Ltd. use of Saluda Project lands and waters. The permit would authorize the installation of a floating dock capable of berthing 40 boats at the existing Spinners Marina. The Marina is located on Lake Murray, Leesville, and Saluda County, South Carolina. A Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) has been prepared for the proposal.

The DEA contains the staff's analysis of the potential environmental impacts of the project and concludes that approving the request would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the DEA is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number P-516 to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Any comments should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice and should be addressed to Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please affix Project No. P-516-388 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 Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "e-Filing" link.

For further information, contact Jean Potvin at (202) 502-8928.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2086-035, California]

Southern California Edison; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

May 4, 2004.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the application for license for the Vermilion Valley Hydroelectric Project and has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project. The project is located on Mono and Warm Creeks, near Shaver Lake, within the county of Fresno, California. The project occupies federal lands within the Sierra National Forest, covering a total of 2,202 acres.

The EA contains the staff's analysis of the potential environmental impacts of the project and concludes that licensing the project, with appropriate environmental protective measures, would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect 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 "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at 866-208-3676, or for TTY, 202-502-8659.

Any comments should be filed within 45 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 "Vermilion Valley Hydroelectric Project No. 2086" to all comments. Comments may be filed electronically via Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18