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David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 7019-050, Georgia]

Eastern Hydroelectric Corporation; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

September 15, 2000.

An environmental assessment (EA) is available for public review. The EA analyzes the environmental effects of increasing generating capacity. Eastern Hydroelectric Corporation (EHC) requests approval to add a new 1,200-kW generating unit at the East Juliette Project on the Ocmulgee River. EHC proposes to reconstruct a building on an existing foundation at the west side of the Juliette Dam to house the new generating unit and associated power production equipment. EHC does not propose to alter the current license requirement that requires a minimum flow of 297 cubic feet per second be maintained in the bypass reach. EHC proposes to conduct additional studies to investigate the feasibility, optimal design, and future construction of a fishway for anadromous fish at the Juliette Dam.

The EA was written by Federal Energy Regulatory Commission staff in the Office of Energy Projects. Commission staff believe EHC's proposed action would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. Copies of the EA can be viewed on the internet at www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm. Call (202) 208-2222 for assistance. Copies are also 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) 208-1371.

Anyone may file comments on the EA. Federal and state resource agencies are encouraged to provide comments. All comments must be filed within 30 days of the date of this notice shown above. Send an original and eight copies of all comments marked with the project

number P-7019-050 to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. If you have any questions regarding this notice, please call Jarrod Kosa at (202) 219-2831.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6874-8]

Agency Information Collection Activities Amendment

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3506 (c)(2)), this notice announces an amendment to existing Information Collection Request (ICR) 2060-0078, "Mobile Source Emission Factor Survey." Before submitting the renewal package to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), EPA is soliciting comments on this amendment.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 21, 2000.

ADDRESSES: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Transportation and Air Quality, Assessment and Standards Division, 2000 Traverwood Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48105.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Penny Carey, Telephone: (734) 214-4355, Facsimile: (734) 214-4939.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Affected Entities: The entity affected by this action is the general public who own mobile sources.

Title: Mobile Source Emission Factor Survey—2060-0078.

Abstract: The EPA Office of Transportation and Air Quality, Assessment and Standards Division, through contractors, intends to solicit the general public to voluntarily participate in survey and testing activities involving mobile sources.

EPA will use the information from this survey and testing to provide inputs to various emissions models. These models are used by EPA, state and local air pollution agencies, the automotive industry, and other parties that are interested in estimating mobile source emissions. These models provide a basis for developing State Implementation Plans (SIPs), Reasonable Further

Progress (RFP) reports, and attainment status assessments for the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS).

The legislative basis for gathering this data is section 103(a)(1)(2)(3) of the Clean Air Act, which requires the Administrator to "conduct * * * research, investigations, experiments, demonstrations, surveys, and studies relating to the causes, effects, extent, prevention, and control of air pollution" and "conduct investigations and research and make surveys concerning any specific problem of air pollution in cooperation with any air pollution control agency * * *".

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; and

(iii) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated technology, (e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses).

Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to range from ten minutes to an hour for responding to an ownership survey. Installation, removal, and reading of monitoring equipment may take up to 3 hours, although the contractor's personnel will do the actual work. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to:

Chief, Information Policy Branch, PM-223, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., S.W., Washington, DC 20460;

and the Paperwork Reduction Project (OMB #2060-0078),

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, D.C. 20503.

No person is 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 displayed in 40 CFR part 9.

Send comments regarding these matters, or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the address listed above.

Dated: September 6, 2000.

Penny Carey,

Chemical Engineer.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-6611-1]

Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information, (202) 564-7167 or www.epa.gov/oeca/ofa.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements Filed September 11, 2000 Through September 15, 2000 Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 000321, Final EIS, BLM, OR, North Bank Habitat Management Area (NBHMA)/Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC), Federally Endangered Columbian White-Tailed Deer (CWTD) and Special Status Species Habitat Enhancements to Ensure Viability Over Time, Implementation, OR, Due: October 23, 2000, Contact: Jay Carlson (541) 440-4930.

EIS No. 000322, Revised Draft EIS, FAA, CA, Metropolitan Oakland International Airport (MOIA), Airport Development Plan (ADP), Reevaluation of the Forecasts and Planning Assumptions in the ADP, Airport Layout Plan Approval, Funding and COE Section 404 and 10 Permits Issuance, Port of Oakland, Alameda County, CA, Due: October 30, 2000, Contact: Joseph R. Rodriguez (650) 876-2805.

EIS No. 000323, Final EIS, CGD, IL, MI, OH, NY, IN, MN, WI, PA, Great Lakes Icebreaking Operation, Implementation, Ninth District, IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, WI, NY and PA, Due: October 23, 2000, Contact: Gary Nelson (216) 902-6258.

EIS No. 000324, Final EIS, SFW, CA, San Dieguito Wetland Restoration Project, Implementation, Comprehensive Restoration Plan, COE Section 404 Permit, Cities of Del Mar and San Diego, San Diego County, CA, Due: October 23, 2000, Contact: Jack Fancher (760) 431-9440.

EIS No. 000325, Draft EIS, AFS, OK, Quachita National Forest, An Amendment to the Land and Resource Management Plan, Implementation, Glover River, McCurtain County, OK, Due: December 29, 2000, Contact: Elizabeth Estill (404) 347-4178.

EIS No. 000326, Final EIS, AFS, WV, Fernow Experimental Forest,

Implementation of New Research Studies, Monongahela National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan, Tucker County, WV, Due: October 23, 2000, Contact: Mary Beth Adams (304) 478-2000.

EIS No. 000327, Final EIS, SFW, MT, WA, ID, Plum Creek Native Fish Habitat Conservation Plan, Issuance of an Incidental Take Permit for Federally Protected Native Fish Species, MT, ID and WA, Due: October 23, 2000, Contact: Ben Harrison (503) 231-2068.

EIS No. 000328, Final EIS, BLM, NM, Rio Puerco Resource Management Plan Amendment, Managing Land and Resource for EL Malpais National Conservation Area and Chain of Craters Wilderness Study Area, Lies South of the City of Grants, Cibola County, NM, Due: October 23, 2000, Contact: Kent Hamilton (505) 761-8746.

EIS No. 000329, Final EIS, USN, GU, Surplus Navy Property Identified in the Guam Land Use Plan (GLUP '94) for Disposal and Reuse, Implementation, GU, Due: October 23, 2000, Contact: Gerald Gibbons (808) 471-9338.

Dated: September 19, 2000.

Anne Norton Miller,

Acting Director, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-6611-2]

Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under section 309 of the Clean Air Act and section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at (202) 564-7167. An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 14, 2000 (65 FR 20157).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D-OE-K36133-CA Rating EC2, Whitewater River Basin (Thousand Palms) Flood Control Project, Construction of Facilities to Provide Flood Protection, Coachella Valley, Riverside County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns that the DEIS did not address the need

for air quality mitigation measures that may be necessary for emissions of oxides of nitrogen (NOX), ozone precursors, and carbon monoxide under EPA's general conformity rule. EPA also had concerns that the DEIS asserts that there is no need to secure Clean Water Act Section 401 water quality certification or waiver from the state water pollution control agency, which is an important safeguard to ensure that Federally-authorized projects do not violate State-adopted, EPA-approved Water Quality Standards or impair beneficial uses. The Final EIS should address how the Corps would ensure that Water Quality Standards and beneficial uses are fully protected.

ERP No. D-COE-K39060-CA Rating EC2, Upper Newport Bay Restoration Project, To Develop a Long-Term Management Plan to Control Sediment Deposition, Orange County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed concerns regarding impacts to air quality and that some reasonable alternatives were not evaluated, including reduced dredging, controlling sediment before reaching the Bay, and beneficial re-use of dredged material. We recommended additional information in the FEIS regarding other reasonable project alternatives, including disposal alternatives; baseline assumptions and evaluation criteria; and conformity with the State Implementation Plan.

ERP No. D-COE-L39056-WA Rating LO, Programmatic EIS—Green/Duwamish River Basin Restoration Program, Capitol Improvement Type Program and Ecological Health, King County, WA.

Summary: EPA had no objection to the proposed project. EPA did however provide comments on the cumulative effects analysis, the need for more information on funding mechanisms and some concerns over the level of public access allowed to restoration sites, especially sensitive wetlands.

ERP No. D-FHW-G40158-TX Rating EO2, Grand Parkway (TX-99) Segment C, Construction from US 59 to TX 288, Funding and Right-of-Way Requirements, City of Houston, Fort Bend and Brazoria Counties, TX.

Summary: EPA expressed objection due to the project's potential contribution to air quality issues in Houston. The project is likely to create significant secondary development that may delay the attainment of the ozone air quality standard. EPA requested that the final document address the overall impact of the project and how the project affects attainment and meets the intent of the Clean Air Act.

ERP No. D-SFW-F64004-OH Rating LO, Little Darby National Wildlife