

become an “intervenor” which is an official party to the Commission’s proceeding. Intervenor’s play a more formal role in the process and are able to file briefs, appear at hearings, and be heard by the courts if they choose to appeal the Commission’s final ruling. An intervenor formally participates in the proceeding by filing a request to intervene. Instructions for becoming an intervenor are in the User’s Guide under the “e-filing” link on the Commission’s Web site.

#### Additional Information

Additional information about the Project is available from the Commission’s Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208–FERC, or on the FERC Web site ([www.ferc.gov](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 (*i.e.*, CP15–115). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208–3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502–8659. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription 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 [www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp](http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp).

Public meetings or site visits will be posted on the Commission’s calendar located at [www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx](http://www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx) along with other related information.

Finally, National Fuel has established a project contact (Emily Ciraolo), a toll-free phone number (1–800–634–5440 ext. 7861) and an email support address ([ciraoloe@natfuel.com](mailto:ciraoloe@natfuel.com)) so that parties can call them directly with questions about the project.

Dated: April 29, 2015.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 137–178]

#### Pacific Gas and Electric Company; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

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

- a. *Type of Application:* Application for Temporary Variance of License Requirement.
- b. *Project No.:* 137–178.
- c. *Date Filed:* April 24, 2015, and supplemented April 29, 2015.
- d. *Applicants:* Pacific Gas and Electric Company (licensee).
- e. *Name of Project:* Mokelumne River Project.
- f. *Location:* Mokelumne River, South Fork Mokelumne River, Bear River, and their tributaries in Amador, Alpine, and Calaveras counties, California.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791a–825r.
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Ezra Becker, License Coordinator, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, (415) 973–3082.
- i. *FERC Contact:* Mr. John Aedo, (415) 369–3335, or [john.aedo@ferc.gov](mailto:john.aedo@ferc.gov).
- j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, protests, and recommendations* is 30 days from the issuance date of this notice by the Commission (April 29, 2015). The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene, protests, comments, or recommendations using the Commission’s eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208–3676 (toll free), or (202) 502–8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please include the project number (P–137–178) on any comments, motions to intervene, protests, or recommendations filed.

k. *Description of Request:* The licensee requests Commission approval of a temporary variance of the minimum and pulse flow requirements at the

project Upper Lakes under the requirements of the project license and Condition No. 7 of the U.S. Forest Service’s (FS) section 4(e) Conditions. Specifically, the license requests that the 5 cubic feet per second (cfs) minimum flow requirement be reduced to 2 cfs below Lower Blue and Meadow Lakes from May 1, 2015 through the June 30, 2015. The licensee also requests Commission approval to forego the 5-day, 20 cfs pulse flow requirement in 2015 at Upper Blue, Lower Blue, and Meadow Lakes. The licensee states that the temporary variance is necessary to conserve water in order to ensure minimum flow releases through the fall and to maintain an adequate level to recreation opportunities at the Upper Lakes this summer.

l. *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) 502–8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission’s Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. 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, call 1–866–208–3676 or email [FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), for TTY, call (202) 502–8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission’s mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. *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.

o. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents:* Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title “COMMENTS”, “PROTEST”, or “MOTION TO INTERVENE” as

applicable; (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 protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). All comments, motions to intervene, or protests should relate to project works which are the subject of the license surrender. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. 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. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

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**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2101-096]

#### Sacramento Municipal Utility District; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

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 amendment to authorize the construction of the new Slab Creek powerhouse and boating flow release valve for the Upper American River Hydroelectric Project. The project is located on Silver Creek and the Rubicon and South Fork American Rivers in El Dorado and Sacramento counties,

California. The project occupies federal lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management and by the U.S. Forest Service within the Eldorado National Forest.

The application, filed with the Commission on August 27, 2014, contains an Environmental Analysis in its Exhibit E (pages 49-143). On April 20, 2015, the licensee filed a supplemental biological resource analysis to its application. In staff's independent review of the licensee's Exhibit E and the April 20, 2015 supplement, staff has decided to adopt the licensee's Environmental Analysis and issue it as staff's Environmental Assessment (EA). The EA analyzes the potential environmental impacts of the project plus the proposed mitigation measures and concludes that granting the amendment to licensing would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the EA and the supplemental biological resource analysis is on file with the Commission and is available for public inspection. The EA and supplement may 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](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659.

A copy of the EA may also be accessed using this link: <http://elibrary.ferc.gov/IDMWS/common/opennat.asp?fileID=13623756>.

A copy of the supplement may also be accessed using this link: <http://elibrary.ferc.gov/IDMWS/common/opennat.asp?fileID=13844884>.

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.

All comments on the EA and supplement must be filed by May 29, 2015, and should reference Project No. 2101-096. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end

of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support. In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

For further information, contact Rebecca Martin at (202) 502-6012 or [Rebecca.Martin@ferc.gov](mailto:Rebecca.Martin@ferc.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Commission Staff Attendance

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) hereby gives notice that members of the Commission's staff may attend the following meeting related to the transmission planning activities of the New York Independent System Operator, Inc.

#### The New York Independent System Operator, Inc. Electric System Planning Working Group Meeting

May 4, 2015, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (EST)

The above-referenced meeting will be via web conference and teleconference.

The above-referenced meeting is open to stakeholders.

Further information may be found at: [http://www.nyiso.com/public/markets\\_operations/services/planning/index.jsp](http://www.nyiso.com/public/markets_operations/services/planning/index.jsp).

#### The New York Independent System Operator, Inc. Electric System Planning Working Group Meeting

May 12, 2015, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (EST)

The above-referenced meeting will be via web conference and teleconference.

The above-referenced meeting is open to stakeholders.

Further information may be found at: [http://www.nyiso.com/public/markets\\_operations/services/planning/index.jsp](http://www.nyiso.com/public/markets_operations/services/planning/index.jsp).

#### The New York Independent System Operator, Inc. Business Issues Committee Meeting

May 13, 2015, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (EST)

The above-referenced meeting will be via web conference and teleconference.

The above-referenced meeting is open to stakeholders.

Further information may be found at: [http://www.nyiso.com/public/markets\\_](http://www.nyiso.com/public/markets_)