

Copies of the filing were served upon LG&E's and KU's jurisdictional customers, the Kentucky Public Service Commission, the Virginia State Corporation Commission, and the Tennessee Regulatory Authority.

Comment date: November 10, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

33. Northeast Utilities Service Company

[Docket No. ER98-112-000]

Take notice that on October 10, 1997, Northeast Utilities Service Company ("NUSCO"), tendered for filing, a Service Agreement with NP Energy, Inc. ("NPE") under the NU System Companies' System Power Sales/Exchange Tariff No. 6.

NUSCO states that a copy of this filing has been mailed to NPE.

NUSCO requests that the Service Agreement become effective December 1, 1997.

Comment date: November 10, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

34. Northeast Utilities Service Company

[Docket No. ER98-113-000]

Take notice that on October 10, 1997, Northeast Utilities Service Company (NUSCO), on behalf of its operating affiliates, The Connecticut Light and Power Company, Western Massachusetts Electric Company, Holyoke Water Power Company, Holyoke Power and Electric Company and Public Service Company of New Hampshire, tendered for filing a Service Agreement with NP Energy, Inc. ("NPE") under the Northeast Utilities System Companies' Sale for Resale Tariff No. 7 Market Based Rates. NUSCO requests an effective date of December 1, 1997.

NUSCO states that a copy of its submission has been mailed or delivered to NPE.

Comment date: November 10, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

35. New England Power Company

[Docket No. FA96-53-001]

Take notice that on October 14, 1997, pursuant to an audit report issued by Commission Audit Staff, New England Power Company filed a plan to refund Spent Nuclear Fuel Disposal Costs to its customers under NEP's FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 1.

Comment date: November 10, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

36. Mark B. Grier

[Docket No. ID-3081-000]

Take notice that on October 17, 1997, Mark B. Grier (Applicant) filed an application pursuant to Section 305(b) of the Federal Power Act to hold the following positions:

Director—Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation

Executive Vice President, Financial Management—The Prudential Insurance Company of America

Director—Prudential Securities Group, Inc.

Comment date: November 10, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

37. Kentucky Utilities Company

[Docket No. OA96-193-003]

Take notice that on September 8, 1997, Kentucky Utilities Company (KU) tendered for filing a list of KU's Transmission Service customers under its Transmission Services (TS) Tariff.

Comment date: November 10, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

38. Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation

[Docket No. OA96-194-003]

Take notice that on September 11, 1997, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation made a filing in compliance with the Commission's order in Allegheny Power System, Inc. *et al.* issued July 31, 1997.

Comment date: November 10, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

39. Montana Power Company

[Docket No. OA96-199-002]

Take notice that on September 16, 1997, Montana Power Company tendered for filing in compliance to FERC orders dated December 18, 1996 and July 31, 1997 in Docket Nos. OA96-18-000, *et al.*, its FERC Electric Tariff, Second Revised Volume No. 5 ("Open Access Transmission Tariff").

Montana requests that the Commission accept the tariff for filing, effective as of September 15, 1997; and allow the tariff to supersede Montana's FERC Electric Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 5.

Comment date: November 10, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

40. Florida Power & Light Company

[Docket No. OA97-699-000]

Take notice that on September 8, 1997, Florida Power & Light Company ("FPL") tendered for filing various

miscellaneous language changes to FPL's Open Access Transmission Tariff ("Tariff").

Comment date: November 10, 1997, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraph

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Transfer of Licenses

October 27, 1997.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Transfer of Licenses.

b. *Projects Nos:* (1) 1855-018, (2) 1892-007, (3) 1904-026, (4) 2077-010, (5) 2323-029, and (6) 2669-006.

c. *Date filed:* October 15, 1997.

d. *Applicants:* New England Power Company and USGen New England, Inc. e and f. *Name and Location of*

Projects: (1) Bellows Falls: Connecticut River in Windham and Windsor Counties, Vermont, and Cheshire and Sullivan Counties, New Hampshire; (2) Wilder: Connecticut River in Windsor and Orange Counties, Vermont, and Grafton County, New Hampshire; (3) Vernon: Connecticut River in Windham County, Vermont, and Cheshire County, New Hampshire; (4) Fifteen Mile Falls: Connecticut River in Grafton and Coos Counties, New Hampshire, and Caledonia and Essex Counties, Vermont; (5) Deerfield River: Deerfield River in

Windham and Bennington Counties, Vermont, and Franklin and Berkshire Counties, Massachusetts; and (6) Bear Swamp: Deerfield River in Franklin and Berkshire Counties, Massachusetts.

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

h. *Applicant Contacts:*

Mr. Stanford L. Hartman, U.S. Generating Company, 7500 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD 20814, (301) 718-6816

Mr. Mark E. Slade, New England Power Company, 25 Research Drive, Westborough, MA 01582, (508) 389-2859.

i. *FERC Contact:* James Hunter, (202) 219-2839.

j. *Comment Date:* December 8, 1997.

k. *Description of Transfer:* Transfer of the licenses for these projects to USGen New England, Inc. is being sought in connection with the divestiture by New England Power Company of substantially all its generation resources.

1. This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs: B, C1, and D2.

B. 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.

C1. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS" "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTESTS", OR "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, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

D2. Agency Comments—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to

file comment 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.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Western Area Power Administration

Record of Decision for the Navajo Transmission Project (DOE/EIS-0231)

AGENCY: Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Record of Decision.

SUMMARY: Based upon the analysis and information contained in the Navajo Transmission Project (NTP) Draft and Final Environmental Impact Statements (EIS), the Department of Energy (DOE), Western Area Power Administration (Western), has decided that should the NTP be built, it should follow the preferred alternative described in the NTP Final EIS. This is the alternative identified in the EIS documents as the Kaibito 1 (K1) for the eastern half of the project area, and the Northern 1 West (N1W) for the western half. The K1 lies between the Shiprock Substation and either the Red Mesa, Copper Mine, or Moenkopi Substation sites. It parallels the existing Western 230-kilovolt (kV) Shiprock-to-Glen Canyon and 345-kV Glen Canyon-to-Pinnacle Peak transmission lines for most of its route. The N1W lies between the Moenkopi and Marketplace Substation sites and parallels an existing 500-kV transmission line for most of its route.

In making this decision, Western evaluated: (1) alternatives to the proposed project, and (2) alternatives that cover the reasonable range of options for siting and constructing a 500-kV transmission line. Western released the NTP Draft EIS in September 1996. The Notice of Availability for the Final EIS was published on August 8, 1997. This Record of Decision is pursuant to the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508), which implement the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act, and DOE's regulations (10 CFR Part 1021).

DATES: This decision will become effective October 31, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Nicholas Chevance, NTP EIS Project Manager, Corporate Services Office, Western Area Power Administration, 1627 Cole Boulevard, Golden, CO 80123-3398, (303) 275-1713.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Diné Power Authority (DPA), an enterprise of the Navajo Nation, requested assistance from Western in 1993 in planning for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a 500-kV transmission line from the Four Corners area in northwestern New Mexico across northern Arizona to a terminus in southern Nevada. As a Federal power marketing agency, Western is responsible for marketing and transmitting power from Federal power projects in the region. Since the 1960's, Western and its predecessor agency, the Bureau of Reclamation, have been assisting the Navajo Nation in meeting its energy needs through firm-energy agreements with the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority, a Navajo Nation enterprise providing utility services and various energy related projects. Western has provided technical assistance to DPA with the NTP, invested funds in the project, administered DOE grants to DPA for the project, and anticipates owning a portion of the NTP capacity commensurate with its final pro rata investment in the project.

The DPA proposal was developed in response to needs of the electric industry and of the Navajo Nation. These include the following:

- Relieve the constraints on the transmission of electricity west of the Four Corners area.
- Improve the operational flexibility and reliability of the extra-high-voltage transmission system in the region.
- Allow increased economical power transfers, sales, and purchases in the region.
- Improve economic conditions of the Navajo Nation.
- Facilitate the development of Navajo Nation energy resources and its participation in the electrical utility industry.

Western agreed to assist DPA in this endeavor by participating as the lead Federal agency for the preparation of the EIS. Federal involvement was provided because of the need to acquire rights-of-way across public lands, construction of the project could benefit Western and Western's customers, and because DOE supports the development of Native American energy programs pursuant to