SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: CZESD requests a permit and modifications to two permits under the authority of section 10 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543) and the NMFS regulations governing ESA-listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 217-227).

CZESD (P770#72) requests a permit for takes of juvenile, threatened, naturally-produced and artificiallypropagated, Snake River spring/summer chinook salmon (Oncorhynchus tshawytscha); juvenile, threatened, Snake River fall chinook salmon (Oncorhynchus tshawytscha); and juvenile, endangered, Snake River sockeye salmon (Oncorhynchus nerka) associated with two juvenile fish bypass studies at McNary Dam on the Columbia River. Study 1 proposes an evaluation of vertical barrier screens and outlet flowcontrol devices. Study 2 proposes to establish design criteria for improved wet-separator efficiency and highvelocity flume development. Based on the results from these bypass studies, guidance devices and bypass system components can be redesigned, modified, or deployed using specific configurations to enhance juvenile fish passage at hydroelectric powerhouses and subsequently, a potential improvement in downstream survival and adult returns. ESA-listed juvenile fish are proposed to be captured, anesthetized, handled, allowed to recover from the anesthetic, and released. Indirect mortalities are also requested. The permit is requested to be valid in 1997 only.

For modification 4 to permit 900 (P770#66), CZESD requests to extend the duration of the take authorization for Study 8, the Trestle Bay habitat restoration study, through December 31, 1997. Although the authorization for takes of ESA-listed species associated with this study expired on December 31, 1996, permit 900 is not due to expire until December 31, 1998. No change in the type or number of ESA-listed species to be taken for the research is

requested.

For modification 2 to permit 914 (P770#67), CZESD requests an increase in the take of juvenile, threatened, Snake River spring/summer chinook salmon (Oncorhynchus tshawytscha) associated with the evaluation of the effects of dissolved gas supersaturation on fish and invertebrates in Priest Rapids Reservoir and downstream from Bonneville Dam on the Columbia River and Ice Harbor Dam on the Snake River. A larger sample of ESA-listed juvenile fish is proposed to be captured, anesthetized, and examined for signs of gas bubble disease to evaluate the

potential mortality of juvenile salmonids migrating through these river reaches. Associated indirect mortalities is also requested to be increased. Modification 2 to permit 914 is requested for the duration of the permit. Permit 914 expires on December 31, 1998.

Those individuals requesting a hearing on the request for a permit or any of the two permit modification requests should set out the specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate (see ADDRESSES). The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA. All statements and opinions contained in the above application summaries are those of the applicant and do not necessarily reflect the views of NMFS.

Dated: February 24, 1997.

Robert C. Ziobro,

Acting Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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# [I.D. 022497B]

### **Endangered Species; Permits**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Receipt of an application for modification 8 to enhancement permit 795 (P503A).

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Idaho Department of Fish and Game in Boise, ID (IDFG) has applied in due form for modification 8 to permit 795 authorizing takes of an endangered species for enhancement purposes.

**DATES:** Written comments or requests for a public hearing on the modification application must be received on or before April 29, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review in the following offices, by appointment:

Office of Protected Resources, F/PR3, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (301-713-1401); and

Environmental and Technical Services Division, 525 NE Oregon Street, Suite 500, Portland, OR 97232-4169 (503-230-5400).

Written comments or requests for a public hearing should be submitted to the Chief, Environmental and Technical Services Division, Portland.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: IDFG requests modification 8 to permit 795

under the authority of section 10 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531–1543) and the NMFS regulations governing ESA-listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 217-227).

For modification 8 to permit 795, IDFG (P503A) requests to release juvenile, endangered, artificiallypropagated, Snake River sockeye salmon (Oncorhynchus nerka) from their captive propagation program into Alturas Lake in 1997. The request is consistent with the recommendations of the Stanley Basin Sockeye Technical Oversight Committee. Currently, releases of juvenile sockeye salmon from the captive propagation program is authorized in Redfish and Pettit Lakes each year. Using a third lake for juvenile sockeye salmon releases will help offset stocking limitations brought on by the natural variability of zooplankton abundance and species composition, and increase the viability of the program by providing additional spawning and rearing habitat. IDFG also request an extension of permit 795 through December 31, 1997 so that the permit may coincide with the captive propagation program annual production cycle. Permit 795 is currently set to expire on July 31, 1997. The modification is requested for the duration of the permit.

Those individuals requesting a hearing on the permit modification request should set out the specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate (see ADDRESSES). The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA. All statements and opinions contained in the above application summary are those of the applicant and do not necessarily reflect the views of NMFS.

Dated: February 24, 1997.

Robert C. Ziobro,

Acting Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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# **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

# Department of the Army

## **Armed Forces Epidemiological Board** (AFEB)

**AGENCY:** Office of The Surgeon General. **ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 10(a) (2) of Public Law 92-463, The Federal Advisory Committee Act, this announces the forthcoming AFEB Meeting. The meeting will be held from 0800–1630, Thursday and Friday, April 10-11, 1997. The purpose of the meeting is to complete pending Board issues, introduce recruit training/ medical issues, and to conduct an executive working session. The meeting location will be at the U.S. Marine Corps Base, Parris Island, Beaufort, South Carolina. The meeting will be open to the public, but limited by space accommodations. Any interested person may attend, appear before or file statements with the committee at the time and in the manner permitted by the committee.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: COL

Vicky Fogelman, AFEB Executive Secretary, Armed Forces Epidemiological Board, Skyline Six, 5109 Leesburg Pike, Room 693, Falls Church, Virginia 22041–3258, (703) 681–8012/3.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: None.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER96-3105-000]

# Boston Edison Company; Notice of Filing

February 24, 1997.

Take notice that on January 6, 1997, Boston Edison Company tendered for filing an amendment in the abovereferenced docket.

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 March 3, 1997. 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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# [Docket No. ES97-23-000]

# Constellation Energy Corporation; Notice of Application

February 24, 1997.

Take notice that on February 14, 1997, Constellation Energy Corporation filed an application, under § 204 of the Federal Power Act, seeking the following authorizations in connection with the proposed merger for which authority is being sought separately in Docket No. EC96–10–000:

(1) To issue short-term unsecured promissory notes, commercial paper notes, and/or medium-term notes, from time to time, in an aggregate principal amount of not more than \$1 billion outstanding at any one time, on or before December 31, 1998 with maturities not more than 12 months after the date of issuance; and

(2) To assume existing short-term debt obligations of Baltimore Gas and Electric Company and Potomac Electric

Power Company.

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 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before March 13, 1997. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make the 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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### [Docket No. QF81-7-005]

# ESI Calistoga GP, Inc. and Caithness Geysers, Inc.; Notice of Amendment to Filing

February 24, 1997.

On February 21, 1997, ESI Calistoga GP, Inc. and Caithness Geysers, Inc.

tendered for filing an amendment to its January 31, 1997, filing in this docket.

The amendment pertains to the ownership aspects and steam purchase agreement of the geothermal small power production facility. No determination has been made that the submittal constitutes a complete filing.

Any person desiring to be heard or objecting to the granting of qualifying status 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. All such motions or protests must be filed by March 7, 1997, and must be served on the applicants. 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 petition 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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# [Docket No. CP97-251-000]

# Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

February 24, 1997.

Take notice that on February 18, 1997, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, P.O. Box 2511, Houston, Texas 77252, filed in Docket No. CP97-251-000, a request pursuant to Section 157.205 and 157.212 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.205 and 18 CFR 157.212) for authorization to modify an existing receipt point to include delivery capabilities for Bridgeline Gas Distribution L.L.C. (Bridgeline), an interstate pipeline company, under Tennessee's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-413-000, pursuant to 18 CFR Part 157, Subpart F of the Natural Gas Act, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Tennessee proposes to modify an existing point located on its system at approximately Mile Post 526A–2701–0.01 in Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, to include delivery capabilities in order to effectuate the delivery of up to 5,000 dekatherms of natural gas per day for Bridgeline. It is stated that to establish