

authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing With the Commission

April 28, 1998.

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

- a. *Type of Application:* Minor License.
- b. *Project No.:* P-2927-004.
- c. *Date Filed:* September 29, 1997.
- d. *Applicant:* Aquamac Corporation.
- e. *Name of Project:* Aquamac Hydroelectric Project.
- f. *Location:* On the Merrimack River, in the City of Lawrence, Essex, County, Massachusetts.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Gerard Griffin, Jr., Aquamac Corporation, 9 South Canal St., Lawrence, MA 01842, (505 686-0342).
- i. *FERC Contact:* Mark Pawlowski (202) 219-2795.
- j. *Deadline Date:* June 26, 1998.
- k. *Status of Environmental Analysis:* This application has been accepted, but is not ready for environmental analysis at this time—see attached paragraph D7.
- l. *Description of Project:* The existing run-of-river project utilizes flows diverted by the upstream Lawrence Hydro Project and consisting of: (1) A transrack structure; (2) manually operated headgate and penstock; (3) a single 250-kW generating unit; and (4) appurtenant facilities. There is no dam and reservoir associated with the project. The applicant estimates that the total average annual generation would be 1,600 Mwh.
- m. *Purpose of Project:* All generated power is sold to the Merrimac Paper Company for its manufacturing processes.
- n. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* A2, A9, B1, and D7.

o. *Available Locations of Application:* A copy of the application, as amended and supplemented, is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference and Files and Maintenance Branch, located at 888 First Street, N.E., Room 2A-1, Washington, D.C. 20426, or by calling (202) 208-2326. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at Aquamac Corporation, 9 South Canal St., Lawrence, Massachusetts 30246, (508) 656-0342.

A2. *Development Application*—Any qualified applicant desiring to file a competing application must submit to the Commission, on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application, a competing development application, or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing development application no later than 120 days after the specified deadline date for the particular application. Applications for preliminary permits will not be accepted in response to this notice.

A9. *Notice of intent*—A notice of intent must specify the exact name, business address, and telephone number of the prospective applicant, and must include an unequivocal statement of intent to submit, if such an application may be filed, either a preliminary permit application or a development application (specify which type of application). A notice of intent must be served on the applicant(s) named in this public notice.

B1. *Protests or Motions to Intervene*—Anyone may submit a protest or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, and 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests 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 protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

D7. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents*—The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time; therefore, the Commission is not now requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

When the application is ready for environmental analysis, the Commission will issue a public notice requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST" or "MOTION TO INTERVENE," "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION," or "COMPETING APPLICATION;" (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. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies required by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Project Review, Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application.

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- a. *Type of Application:* Minor License.
- b. *Project No.:* P-2928-004.
- c. *Date Filed:* September 29, 1997.
- d. *Applicant:* Merrimac Paper Company.
- e. *Name of Project:* Merrimac Hydroelectric Project.
- f. *Location:* On the Merrimack River, in the City of Lawrence, Essex County, Massachusetts.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Gerard Griffin, Jr., Merrimac Paper Company, Inc., 9 South Canal St., Lawrence, MA 01842, (508) 686-0342.
- i. *FERC Contact:* Mark Pawlowski (202) 219-2795.
- j. *Deadline Date:* June 26, 1998.
- k. *Status of Environmental Analysis:* This application has been accepted, but

is not ready for environmental analysis at this time—see attached paragraph D7.

l. *Description of Project:* The existing run-of-river project utilizes flows diverted by the upstream Lawrence Hydro Project and consisting of: (1) A trashrack structure; (2) manually operated headgate and penstock; (3) three generating units of an installed total capacity of 1250-kW; and (4) appurtenant facilities. There is no dam and reservoir associated with the project. The applicant estimates that the total average annual generation would be 7,300 Mwh.

m. *Purpose of Project:* All generated power is used by the applicant for its paper manufacturing processes.

n. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* A2, A9, B1, and D7.

o. *Available Locations of Application:* A copy of the application, as amended and supplemented, is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference and Files and Maintenance Branch, located at 888 First Street, N.E., Room 2A-1, Washington, D.C. 20426, or by calling (202) 208-2326. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at Merrimac Paper Company, Inc., 9 South Canal St., Lawrence, Massachusetts 30246, (508) 656-0342.

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A9. Notice of intent—A notice of intent must specify the exact name, business address, and telephone number of the prospective applicant, and must include an unequivocal statement of intent to submit, if such an application may be filed, either a preliminary permit application or a development application (specify which type of application). A notice of intent must be served on the applicant(s) named in this public notice.

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Commission will consider all protests 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 protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

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Acting Secretary.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Ready for Environmental Analysis

April 28, 1998.

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

a. *Type of application:* Minor License.
b. *Project No.:* P-11574-000.
c. *Date Filed:* February 23, 1996.
d. *Applicant:* City of Norwich, Department of Public Utilities.
e. *Name of Project:* Occum Hydro Project.

f. *Location:* On the Shetucket River, near the City of Norwich, New London County, Connecticut.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 USC 791(a)—825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Peter Polubiatko, Electric Division Manager, City of Norwich Department of Utilities, 16 Golden Street, Norwich, CT 06360, (203) 823-4153.

i. *FERC Contact:* Ed Lee (202) 219-2809.

j. *Deadline for Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Prescriptions:* See paragraph D9.

k. *Status of Environmental Analysis:* This application is now ready for environmental analysis—see attached paragraph D9.

l. *Description of Project:* The existing project consists of: (1) A 605-foot-long, 28-foot-high dam with masonry and concrete spillway sections, an earth embankment section and intake structure; (2) a reservoir with a 90 acre surface area and a 600 acre-foot gross storage capacity at normal pool elevation 66.1 feet NGVD; (3) a powerhouse containing one generation unit with a capacity of 800 kW and an average annual generation of 3.75 GWh; (4) a 125-foot-long, 4.8-kV transmission line; and (5) appurtenant facilities.

m. *Purpose of Project:* All project power would be used by the applicant.

n. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs:* A4 and D9.

o. *Available Locations of Application:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, located at 888 First Street N.W., Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address shown in Item h.

A4. Development Application—Public notice of the filing of the initial development application, which has already been given, established the due date for filing competing applications or notices of intent. Under the Commission's regulations, any competing development application must be filed in response to and in compliance with public notice of the initial development application. No competing applications or notices of