

Proposed Plan for Waste Area Group 3 (Idaho Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center);

Nevada Test Site report regarding migration of plutonium contamination and the implications for cleanup at the INEEL;

DOE's strategy for emergency response planning and preparations for State, local, and Tribal governments for radiological materials transport; and

The TRA Accident report, plutonium uptake at the INTEC, and the decision to rebid the INEEL contract;

Discuss the Environmental Assessment on the intermodal transport of Low-Level Waste to Nevada Test Site; and

Finalize recommendations on the Proposed Plan for Waste Area Group 3 (Idaho Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center), the Proposed Plan for Waste Area Group 1 (Test Area North), suggestions developed at the Low-Level Waste Seminar, and establishing common databases for background radiation information to support decisionmaking in the cleanup program.

Agenda topics may change up to the day of the meeting. The final agenda will be available at the meeting.

Public Participation: The two-day meeting is open to the public, with public comment sessions scheduled for Tuesday, November 17, 1998. The Board will be available during these time periods to hear verbal public comments or to review any written public comments. If there are no members of the public wishing to comment or no written comments to review, the board will continue with its current discussion. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact the INEEL Information line or Wendy Green Lowe, Jason Associates Corp., at the addresses or telephone numbers listed above. Requests must be received 5 days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of 5 minutes to present their comments. This notice is being published less than 15 days before the date of the meeting due to programmatic issues that had to be resolved.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be

available by writing to Charles M. Rice, INEEL Citizens' Advisory Board Chair, 477 Shoup Ave., Suite 205, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83402 or by calling Wendy Green Lowe, the Board Facilitator, at (208) 522-1662.

Issued at Washington, DC on October 29, 1998.

Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Bonneville Power Administration

Johnson Creek Artificial Propagation Enhancement Project

AGENCY: Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of Floodplain and Wetlands Involvement.

SUMMARY: This notice announces BPA's intention to fund a small scale program designed to increase survival of a weak but recoverable population of summer chinook salmon in Johnson Creek, a tributary of the South Fork Salmon River in Valley County, Idaho. In accordance with DOE regulations for compliance with floodplain and wetlands environmental review requirements, BPA will prepare a floodplain and wetlands assessment and will perform this proposed action in a manner so as to avoid or minimize potential harm to or within the affected floodplain and wetlands. The assessment will be included in the environmental assessment being prepared for the proposed project in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. A floodplain statement of findings will be included in any finding of no significant impact that may be issued following the completion of the environmental assessment.

DATES: Comments are due to the address below no later than November 19, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments to Communications, Bonneville Power Administration—ACS-7, P.O. Box 12999, Portland, Oregon 97212. Internet address: comment@bpa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colleen Spiering—ECP-4, Bonneville Power Administration, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, Oregon, 97208-3621, phone number 503-230-5756, fax number 503-230-4089.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The project would include the following

types of activities that may involve wetlands or floodplains: expansion of the McCall Fish Hatchery; in-stream temporary weirs for adult fish trapping; smolt acclimation and release sites utilizing stream side channels and possibly installing adult holding tanks. All proposed sites are in Valley County, Idaho. The locations of the proposed sites are as follows: McCall Fish Hatchery, T.18N., R.3E., S.8. Pen Basin and Landmark Airstrip acclimation sites, T.15N., R.8E., S.18. Wapiti Meadows Ranch acclimation site, T.18., R.8E., S.29 and 32. Bryant Ranch and Old State Lands adult trap sites, T.18N., R.8E., S.9 and 16. Cox Ranch Acclimation site, T.18N., R.8E., S.20. Whitehorse Rapids, Burntlog Creek, and Ditch Creek acclimation sites, T.17N., R.8E., S.20.

Maps and further information are available from BPA at the address above.

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Thomas C. McKinney,

NEPA Compliance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP96-213-008]

Columbia Gas Transmission; Notice of Application

October 29, 1998.

Take notice that on October 23, 1998, Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation (Columbia), a Delaware corporation, having its principal place of business at 12801 Fair Lakes Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia, 22030-10-46, an abbreviated application pursuant to Sections 7(b) and Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act, as amended, to amend its certificates previously issued by the Commission in an Order Denying Rehearing and Issuing Certificates on May 14, 1997, Order Amending Certificate on November 25, 1997, and Order Amending Certificates on June 30, 1998 in Docket Nos. CP96-213-000, et al., Columbia's Market Expansion Project (MEP).

Specifically, Columbia proposes to make a facility modification to the 1999 construction previously authorized at its Smithfield Compressor Station, located in Wetzel County, West Virginia.

As part of the MEP project, Columbia originally proposed to uprate and

relocate an existing Solar Centaur gas turbine (Unit No. 6) from its Clendenin Compressor Station to its Smithfield Compressor Station. Subsequently, Columbia has determined that it should retain Unit No. 6 at Clendenin for continued standby service.

Columbia now proposes herein to amend its certificate to modify the 1999 Smithfield compressor project by installing a new Solar Taurus 7,170 horsepower (ISO) gas turbine/compressor and abandoning an existing Solar Centaur 3,830 horsepower gas turbine/compressor. The existing Smithfield Centaur unit will be returned to Solar, Inc. (Solar) as an exchange for credit toward the purchase of the Taurus unit. Columbia states that this proposed modification to the Smithfield project results from further design, operating and cost analysis performed by Columbia's engineering personnel, and; this proposal will allow Columbia to fully benefit from the increased efficiency of a new generation Solar Taurus/C-40 compressor package. Columbia states the Centaur/C-30 units are less efficient than a Taurus/C-40 package. Columbia anticipates future operation and maintenance cost savings will result from more efficient compressor operations.

The revised estimated investment cost of \$8,567,200 for the Smithfield project results in an approximate increase of \$465,000 in 1995 dollars of the estimated Gross Investment for the MEP.

Any person desiring to participate in a hearing process or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before November 19, 1998, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceedings. The Commission's rules require that protesters provide copies of their protests to the party or parties directly involved. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

A person obtaining intervenor status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by every one of its intervenors. An

intervenor can file for rehearing of any Commission order and can petition for court review of any such order.

However, an intervenor must submit copies of comments or any other filing it makes with the Commission to every other intervenor in the proceeding, as well as 14 copies with the Commission.

A person does not have to intervene, however, in order to have comments considered. A person, instead, may submit two copies of comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of environmental documents and will be able to participate in meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission and will not have the right to seek rehearing or appeal the Commission's final order to a federal court.

The Commission will consider all comments and concerns equally, whether filed by commenters or those requesting intervenor status.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in a subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this application if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Columbia to appear or be represented at the hearing.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER98-4400-000]

Pittsfield Generating Company, L.P.; Notice of Issuance of Order

October 30, 1998.

Pittsfield Generating Company, L.P. (Pittsfield), an affiliate of Pacific Gas & Electric Company, filed an application for Commission authorization to engage in wholesale power sales at market-based rates, and for certain waivers and authorizations. In particular, Pittsfield requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liabilities by Pittsfield. On October 29, 1998, the Commission issued an Order Accepting For Filing Proposed Market-Based Rates (Order), in the above-docketed proceeding.

The Commission's October 29, 1998 Order granted the request for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the conditions found in Ordering Paragraphs (C), (D), and (F):

(C) Within 30 days of the date of this order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the Commission's blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities by Pittsfield 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.

(D) Absent a request to be heard within the period set forth in Ordering Paragraph (C) above, Pittsfield is hereby authorized, pursuant to section 204 of the FPA, to issue securities and assume obligations and liabilities as guarantor, indorser, surety or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issue or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of Pittsfield, compatible with the public interest, and reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

(F) The Commission reserves the right to modify this order to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued Commission approval of Pittsfield's issuances of securities or assumptions of liabilities. . . .

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is November 30, 1998.

Copies of the full text of the Order are available from the Commission's Public