

policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: January 8, 1999.

Ann Terbush,

*Chief, Permits and Documentation Division,
Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Idaho Operations Office; Notice of Availability of Solicitation for Awards of Financial Assistance

AGENCY: Idaho Operations Office, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of Solicitation Number DE-PS07-99ID13751—Metal Casting Industry of the Future.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Idaho Operations Office (ID) is seeking applications for cost-shared research and development of technologies which will enhance economic competitiveness, reduce energy consumption and reduce environmental impacts of the metal casting industry. The research is to address research priorities identified by the metal casting industry in the Metal Casting Industry Technology Roadmap. The Roadmap can be found at URL: <http://www.oit.doe.gov/metalcast/roadmap/roadmap.html>. Approximately \$300,000 to \$500,000 of funding will be available to initiate the research efforts and additional funding of up to \$2,000,000 in Fiscal Year 2000 federal funds is expected to be available to fund the first year of selected research efforts. DOE anticipates making 5 to 10 cooperative agreement awards each with a duration of three years or less. A minimum 50% non-federal cost-share is required for research and development projects. Collaborations between industry, university, and National Laboratory participants are encouraged. The issuance date of Solicitation Number DE-PS07-99ID13751 is on or about January 11, 1999. The solicitation is available in its full text via the Internet at the following URL address: <http://www.id.doe.gov/doeid/PSD/proc-div.html>.

DATES: The deadline for receipt of pre-applications is February 4, 1999. The deadline for receipt of full applications is March 24, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Applications should be submitted to: Kara Twitchell, Procurement Services Division, U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations

Office, 850 Energy Drive, Mail Stop 1221, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401-1563.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kara Twitchell, Contract Specialist at twitchkl@id.doe.gov, or Linda Hallum, Contracting Officer at hallumla@id.doe.gov. Issued in Idaho Falls on January 6, 1999.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The statutory authority for the program is the Federal Non-Nuclear Energy Research and Development Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93-577). The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number for this program is 81.086.

Michael L. Adams,

*Acting Director, Procurement Services
Division.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Research

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of renewal.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 14(a)(2)(A) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, App.2, and section 101-6.1015(a)(1), title 41, Code of Federal Regulations and following consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the High Energy Physics Advisory Panel has been renewed for a two-year period beginning in January 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Rachel M. Samuel at (202) 586-3279.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Panel will continue to provide advice to the Director of Energy Research on long-range planning and priorities in the national high energy physics program. The Secretary of Energy has determined that renewal of the Panel is essential to the conduct of the Department's business and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed upon the Department of Energy by law. The Panel will continue to operate in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463), the General Services Administration Final Rule on Federal Advisory Committee Management, and other directives and instructions issued in implementation of those acts.

Issued in Washington, DC, on January 12, 1999.

James N. Solit,

Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER97-1543-001, et al.]

Duquesne Light Company, et al.; Electric Rate and Corporate Regulation Filings

January 8, 1999.

Take notice that the following filings have been made with the Commission:

1. Duquesne Light Company

[Docket No. ER97-1543-001]

Take notice that on January 4, 1999, Duquesne Light Company (Duquesne) on behalf of Duquesne and Kentucky Utilities Company (KU), tendered for filing an arbitration award to replace the Stranded Cost Amendment contained in Duquesne's initial filing in the above-referenced docket. Duquesne sets forth its proposed accounting treatment for the stranded cost payment.

Comment date: January 22, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

2. Central Montana Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. v. The Montana Power Company

[Docket No. EL99-24-000]

Take notice that on December 30, 1998, Central Montana Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (Central Montana) tendered for filing a complaint, including direct testimony and exhibits, against the Montana Power Company (MPC) alleging that the delivered wholesale rates which MPC charges Central Montana are excessive, unjust and unreasonable, and should be reduced, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 205 and 206 of the Federal Power Act. Central Montana's complaint requests that the Commission institute a hearing under Section 206 of the Federal Power Act to determine the just and reasonable rates to be charged to Central Montana. Central Montana also requests that the Commission establish the earliest possible refund effective date under the provisions of Section 206 of the Federal Power Act, and that the Commission order refunds of all amounts in excess of just and reasonable rates under that Act.

Copies of Central Montana's complaint filing were served on representatives of Montana Power Company.

Comment date: February 8, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice. Answers to the complaint should also be filed on or before February 8, 1999.

3. Municipal Energy Agency of Mississippi and Lafayette Utilities System v. Entergy Services, Inc.

[Docket No. EL99-25-000]

Take notice that on January 4, 1999, the Municipal Energy Agency of Mississippi and the Lafayette Utilities System filed a complaint against Entergy Services, Inc. The complaint concerns the 1998 redetermination of transmission rates under Entergy's OATT, and is filed pursuant to the rate redetermination procedures of the tariff and Section 206 of the Federal Power Act. The complaint alleges that the proposed rate redetermination is unjust and unreasonable. The complaint further seeks consolidation with ongoing dockets treating the same rate redetermination, specifically ER98-2910-000 and EL98-74-000.

Comment date: February 8, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice. Answers to the complaint shall be due on or before February 8, 1999.

4. Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.; The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company, et al.

[Docket No. ER98-1438-002, Docket No. EC98-24-000 (consolidated)]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, the Midwest ISO Transmission Owners¹ tendered for filing revisions to the open access transmission tariff and related documents of the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc., in compliance with the Commission's September 16, 1998 order in the proceedings captioned above *Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.*, 84 FERC ¶ 61,231 (1998).

The Midwest ISO Transmission Owners state that copies of this filing have been served on each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in these proceedings.

Comment date: February 1, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

¹ The Midwest ISO Transmission Owners consist of Ameren (which includes Central Illinois Public Service Company and Union Electric Company), Cinergy (which includes PSI Energy and Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company); Commonwealth Edison, Hoosier Energy Rural Electric Cooperative, Illinois Power Company; Kentucky Utilities; Louisville Gas & Electric; Wabash Valley Power Association; Wisconsin Electric Power Company; and Central Illinois Light Company. In addition, Allegheny Energy and Duquesne Light Company has joined the Midwest ISO, contingent upon the consummation of their merger.

5. PP&L EnergyPlus Co.

[Docket No. ER98-4608-001]

Take notice that on January 4, 1999, PP&L EnergyPlus Co. (PP&L EnergyPlus), tendered for filing a compliance filing pursuant to Ordering Paragraph (A) of the Commission's order in PP&L EnergyPlus Co., 85 FERC ¶ 61,377 (1998). The compliance filing revises the Code of Conduct that was filed with PP&L EnergyPlus' Application for Authority to Sell Electric Energy and Capacity at Market-Based Rates and to Resell Transmission Rights, as amended on November 2, 1998.

Copies of this filing have been served upon all persons listed on the official service list compiled by the Office of the Secretary in Docket No. ER98-4806-000.

Comment date: January 22, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

6. San Diego Gas & Electric Company

[Docket No. ER99-1040-000]

Take notice that on January 4, 1999, San Diego Gas & Electric Company tendered for filing a change in the Transmission Revenue Balancing Account Adjustment Rate set forth in its Transmission Owner Tariff as well as other changes that are also being submitted with this filing.

San Diego Gas & Electric Company states that these corrections do not change the TRBAA unit rate shown in the December 23, 1998, filing.

Comment date: January 22, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

7. PP&L, Inc.

[Docket No. ER99-1102-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, PP&L, Inc. (PP&L), tendered for filing an executed copy of a Power Supply Agreement with the Borough of Kutztown (Kutztown).

PP&L requests an effective date of February 1, 1999, for the Power Supply Agreement.

PP&L states that copies of this filing have been supplied to Borough of Kutztown, and the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

8. PP&L, Inc.

[Docket No. ER99-1103-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, PP&L, Inc. (PP&L), tendered for filing an executed copy of a Power Supply Agreement with the Borough of Quakertown (Quakertown).

PP&L requests an effective date of February 1, 1999, for the Power Supply Agreement.

PP&L states that copies of this filing have been supplied to Borough of Quakertown, and the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

9. PP&L, Inc.

[Docket No. ER99-1104-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, PP&L, Inc. (PP&L), tendered for filing an executed copy of a Power Supply Agreement with the Borough of Blakely (Blakely).

PP&L requests an effective date of February 1, 1999, for the Power Supply Agreement.

PP&L states that copies of this filing have been supplied to Borough of Blakely, and the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

10. PP&L, Inc.

[Docket No. ER99-1105-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, PP&L, Inc. (PP&L), tendered for filing an executed copy of a Power Supply Agreement with the Borough of Watsonstown (Watsonstown).

PP&L requests an effective date of February 1, 1999, for the Power Supply Agreement.

PP&L states that copies of this filing have been supplied to the Borough of Watsonstown and the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

11. PP&L, Inc.

[Docket No. ER99-1106-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, PP&L, Inc. (PP&L), tendered for filing an executed copy of a Power Supply Agreement with the Borough of Duncannon (Duncannon).

PP&L requests an effective date of February 1, 1999, for the Power Supply Agreement.

PP&L states that copies of this filing have been supplied to the Borough of Duncannon and the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

12. PP&L, Inc.

[Docket No. ER99-1107-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, PP&L, Inc. (PP&L), tendered for

filing an executed copy of a Power Supply Agreement with the Borough of Leighton (Leighton).

PP&L requests an effective date of February 1, 1999, for the Power Supply Agreement.

PP&L states that copies of this filing have been supplied to the Borough of Leighton and the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

13. PP&L, Inc.

[Docket No. ER99-1108-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, PP&L, Inc. (PP&L), tendered for filing an executed copy of a Power Supply Agreement with the Borough of Perkasio (Perkasie).

PP&L requests an effective date of February 1, 1999, for the Power Supply Agreement.

PP&L states that copies of this filing have been supplied to the Borough of Perkasio and the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

14. PP&L, Inc.

[Docket No. ER99-1109-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, PP&L, Inc. (PP&L), tendered for filing an executed copy of a Power Supply Agreement with the Borough of Schuylkill Haven (Schuylkill Haven).

PP&L requests an effective date of February 1, 1999, for the Power Supply Agreement.

PP&L states that copies of this filing have been supplied to the Borough of Schuylkill Haven and the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

15. FirstEnergy Trading & Power Marketing, Inc.

[Docket No. ER99-1119-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, FirstEnergy Trading & Power Marketing, Inc. (FTPM), tendered for filing a Power Sales Agreement and Confirmation Letter for the sale of 200 MW of capacity and associated energy to the FirstEnergy Operating Companies beginning on July 20, 1998 and ending on August 31, 1998. FTPM states that the filing is being made to comply with the filing requirements under Section 205(c) of the Federal Power Act with respect to the sale of power needed by the FirstEnergy Operating Companies to serve their customers during the summer of 1998.

FTPM has asked that the Power Sales Agreement and Confirmation Letter be permitted to become effective as of July 20, 1998.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

16. Ohio Edison Company and Pennsylvania Power Company

[Docket No. ER99-1120-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, Ohio Edison Company tendered for filing on behalf of itself and Pennsylvania Power Company, a Service Agreement with FirstEnergy Services Corp., under Ohio Edison's Power Sales Tariff. This filing is made pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act.

Ohio Edison requests that the Commission waive the notice requirements and allow the Service Agreement to become effective on January 1, 1999.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

17. Ohio Edison Company and Pennsylvania Power Company

[Docket No. ER99-1121-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, Ohio Edison Company tendered (Ohio Edison), tendered for filing on behalf of itself and Pennsylvania Power Company, Service Agreements with DTE Edison America, Inc., and Green Mountain Energy Resources under Ohio Edison's Power Sales Tariff. This filing is made pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act.

Ohio Edison requests that the Commission waive the notice requirements and allow the Service Agreements to become effective on January 1, 1999.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

18. Potomac Electric Power Company

[Docket No. ER99-1122-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, Potomac Electric Power Company (Pepco), tendered for filing a new Agreement superseding its 1982 agreement for electric service to its full requirements customer, Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Smeco), including reduced rates for the years 1999 through 2001. The superseding Pepco-Smeco electric service agreement is the result of extensive negotiations and is supported by both parties.

An effective date of January 1, 1999 for the revised rates and terms is requested, with waiver of notice.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

19. Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation

[Docket No. ER99-1123-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (NMPC), tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an executed Transmission Service Agreement between NMPC and Central Hudson Gas & Electric (CHG&E). This Transmission Service Agreement specifies that CHG&E has signed on to and has agreed to the terms and conditions of NMPC's Open Access Transmission Tariff as filed in Docket No. OA96-194-000. This Tariff, filed with FERC on July 9, 1996, will allow NMPC and CHG&E to enter into separately scheduled transactions under which NMPC will provide transmission service for CHG&E as the parties may mutually agree.

NMPC requests an effective date of December 23, 1998. NMPC has requested waiver of the notice requirements for good cause shown.

NMPC has served copies of the filing upon the New York State Public Service Commission and CHG&E.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

20. Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation

[Docket No. ER99-1124-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (NMPC), tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an executed Transmission Service Agreement between NMPC and PECO Energy Company—Power Team (PECO Energy). This Transmission Service Agreement specifies that PECO Energy has signed on to and has agreed to the terms and conditions of NMPC's Open Access Transmission Tariff as filed in Docket No. OA96-194-000. This Tariff, filed with FERC on July 9, 1996, will allow NMPC and PECO Energy to enter into separately scheduled transactions under which NMPC will provide transmission service for PECO Energy as the parties may mutually agree.

NMPC requests an effective date of December 23, 1998. NMPC has requested waiver of the notice requirements for good cause shown.

NMPC has served copies of the filing upon the New York State Public Service Commission and PECO Energy.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

21. LG&E-Westmoreland Rensselaer

[Docket No. ER99-1125-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, LG&E-Westmoreland Rensselaer (LWR), tendered for filing an Application for Order Accepting Rate Schedule for Power Sales at Market-Based Rates and Granting Waivers and Pre-Approvals of Certain Commission Regulations.

LWR requests that the Commission permit LG&E-Westmoreland Rensselaer Rate Schedule FERC No. 1, to become effective as of January 1, 1999.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

22. Duke Energy Morro Bay LLC

[Docket No. ER99-1126-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, Duke Energy Morro Bay LLC (DEMB), tendered for filing an Umbrella Service Agreement for Short-Term Sales establishing Duke Energy Trading and Marketing, L.L.C. (DETM) and Duke/Louis Dreyfus L.L.C. (D/LD), as a customer under DEMB's Rate Schedule No. 1.

DEMB requests an effective date of January 2, 1999, for the service agreement with DETM and an effective date of March 1, 1999, for the service agreement with D/LD.

DEMB states that a copy of the filing was served on DETM and D/LD.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

23. Duke Energy Moss Landing LLC

[Docket No. ER99-1127-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, Duke Energy Moss Landing LLC (DEML), tendered for filing an Umbrella Service Agreement for Short-Term Sales establishing Duke Energy Trading and Marketing, L.L.C. (DETM) and Duke/Louis Dreyfus L.L.C. (D/LD), as a customer under DEML's Rate Schedule No. 1.

DEML requests an effective date of January 2, 1999, for the service agreement with DETM and an effective date of March 1, 1999, for the service agreement with D/LD.

DEML states that a copy of the filing was served on DETM and D/LD.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

24. Duke Energy Oakland LLC

[Docket No. ER99-1128-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, Duke Energy Oakland LLC (DEO), tendered for filing service agreements establishing Duke Energy Trading and Marketing, L.L.C. (DETM) and Duke/Louis Dreyfus L.L.C. (D/LD), as a customer under DEO's Rate Schedule No. 1.

DEO requests an effective date of January 2, 1999, for the DETM service agreement and an effective date of March 1, 1999, for the service agreement with D/LD.

DEO states that a copy of the filing was served on DETM and D/LD.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

25. Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation

[Docket No. ER99-1129-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (NMPC), tendered for filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an executed Transmission Service Agreement between NMPC and PECO Energy Company—Power Team (PECO Energy). This Transmission Service Agreement specifies that PECO Energy has signed on to and has agreed to the terms and conditions of NMPC's Open Access Transmission Tariff as filed in Docket No. OA96-194-000. This Tariff, filed with FERC on July 9, 1996, will allow NMPC and PECO Energy to enter into separately scheduled transactions under which NMPC will provide transmission service for PECO Energy as the parties may mutually agree.

NMPC requests an effective date of December 23, 1998. NMPC also requests waiver of the notice requirements for good cause shown.

NMPC has served copies of the filing upon the New York State Public Service Commission and PECO Energy.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

26. PacifiCorp

[Docket No. ER99-1130-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, PacifiCorp, tendered for filing in accordance with 18 CFR 35 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, an umbrella Service Agreements Electrical District #2, Pinal County and Sierra Pacific Power Company under PacifiCorp's FERC Electric Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 12.

PacifiCorp requests that a waiver of prior notice be granted and that the

Commission assign an effective date of January 4, 1999, for the Service Agreements.

Copies of this filing were supplied to the Public Utility Commission of Oregon and the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

27. PacifiCorp

[Docket No. ER99-1131-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, PacifiCorp, tendered for filing in accordance with 18 CFR 35 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, Non-Firm and Short-Term Firm Point-To-Point Transmission Service Agreements with Merchant Energy Group of the Americas, Inc. (Merchant), under PacifiCorp's FERC Electric Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 11.

Copies of this filing were supplied to Merchant, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission and the Public Utility Commission of Oregon.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

28. Duquesne Light Company

[Docket No. ER99-1132-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, Duquesne Light Company (Duquesne), tendered for filing proposed changes to its Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) and for an order accepting its proposed changes for the purpose of implementing electric restructuring in Pennsylvania.

Duquesne has requested an effective date of January 1, 1999.

A copy of this filing was served on the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission and customers presently taking service under Duquesne's OATT.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

29. American Electric Power Service Corporation

[Docket No. ER99-1133-000]

Take notice that on January 4, 1999, the American Electric Power Service Corporation (AEPSC), tendered for filing a service agreement under the Wholesale Market Tariff of the AEP Operating Companies (Power Sales Tariff). The Power Sales Tariff was accepted for filing effective October 10, 1997 and has been designated AEP Operating Companies' FERC Electric Tariff Original Volume No. 5.

AEPSC respectfully requests waiver of notice to permit the service agreement to be made effective for service on or after December 1, 1998.

A copy of the filing was served upon the Parties and the State Utility Regulatory Commissions of Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia.

Comment date: January 22, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

30. Allegheny Energy, Inc.

[Docket No. ER99-1141-000]

Take notice that on December 31, 1998, Allegheny Energy, Inc. filed in accordance with Rule 602, in the above-referenced proceeding, three Agreements entered into between Allegheny Energy, Inc. and the City of Philippi, West Virginia, the City of New Martinsville, West Virginia and the Harrison Rural Electrification Association.

Comment date: January 22, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

31. PP&L, Inc.

[Docket No. ER99-1153-000]

Take notice that on January 4, 1999, PP&L, Inc. (PP&L), tendered for filing an executed copy of a Power Supply Agreement with the Borough of Catawissa (Catawissa).

PP&L requests an effective date of February 1, 1999, for the Power Supply Agreement.

PP&L states that copies of this filing have been supplied to the Borough of Catawissa and the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission.

Comment date: January 22, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

32. Delmarva Power & Light Company

[Docket No. ER99-1154-000]

Take notice that on January 4, 1999, Delmarva Power & Light Company (Delmarva), tendered for filing an executed umbrella service agreement with Cinergy Capital & Trading, Inc., under Delmarva's market rate sales tariff.

Comment date: January 20, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

33. Storm Lake Power Partners I LLC

[Docket No. ER99-1155-000]

Take notice that on January 4, 1999, Storm Lake Power Partners I LLC (Storm Lake I), tendered for filing a proposed change to its Rate Schedule FERC No. 1. Storm Lake I is developing a wind-powered generation facility near Alta, Iowa. Following construction of the facility, Storm Lake I will make sales of capacity and energy at market-based rates to MidAmerican Energy Company

(MidAmerican) pursuant to an Alternative Energy Production Purchase Agreement (the PPA), which was accepted for filing by the Commission.

The proposed change to the PPA corrects certain typo-graphical, reference and other technical errors in the PPA; however, it does not affect the rate for sales of energy or capacity under the PPA.

Copies of the filing were served upon the official service list and MidAmerican, and Storm Lake I's jurisdictional customer.

Comment date: January 22, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

34. Michigan Gas Exchange, L.L.C.

[Docket No. ER98-1156-000]

Take notice that on January 4, 1999, Michigan Gas Exchange, L.L.C. (MGE), tendered for filing its petition to the Commission for acceptance of MGE's Rate Schedule FERC Tariff No. 1; the granting of certain blanket approvals, including the authority to sell electricity at market based rates; and waiver of certain Commission Regulations.

Comment date: January 22, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

35. Illinois Power Company

[Docket No. ER99-1157-000]

Take notice that on January 4, 1999, Illinois Power Company (Illinois Power), 500 South 27th Street, Decatur, Illinois 62526, tendered for filing firm and non-firm transmission agreements under which Kentucky Utilities will take transmission service pursuant to its open access transmission tariff. The agreements are based on the Form of Service Agreement in Illinois Power's tariff.

Illinois Power has requested an effective date of December 15, 1998.

Comment date: January 22, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

36. Public Service Company of New Hampshire

[Docket No. ER99-1158-000]

Take notice that on December 30, 1998, Public Service Company of New Hampshire (PSNH) tendered for filing an information statement concerning PSNH's fuel and purchased power adjustment clause charges and credits for the following periods:

January 1, 1998 to June 30, 1998
July 1, 1998 to December 31, 1998
January 1, 1999 to June 30, 1999

This information statement is submitted pursuant to a settlement agreement approved by the Commission

in *Publ Serv. Co. of New Hampshire*, 57 FERC ¶ 61, 068 (1991), and a settlement stipulation approved by the Commission by Letter Order in Docket Nos. ER91-143-000, ER91-235-000 and EL91-15-000, dated July 22, 1992.

Copies of this filing were served upon the Town of Ashland Electric Company, the New Hampton Village Precinct, and the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Comment date: January 28, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

37. Maine Electric Power Company

[Docket No. ER99-1159-000]

Take notice that on January 4, 1999, Maine Electric Power Company (MEPCO), tendered for filing a service agreement for Short Term Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service entered into with Southern Company Energy Marketing L.P. Service will be provided pursuant to MEPCO's Open Access Transmission Tariff, designated rate schedule MEPCO—FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 1, as supplemented.

Comment date: January 22, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

38. Wisconsin Electric Power Company

[Docket No. ER99-1160-000]

Take notice that on January 4, 1999, Wisconsin Electric Power Company (Wisconsin Electric), tendered for filing an amendment of its Open Access Transmission Tariff (Wisconsin Energy Corporation Operating Companies FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume No. 1) to explicitly incorporate the transmission loading relief (TLR), procedures developed by the North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC) approved by the Commission in Docket No. EL99-52-000.

Wisconsin Electric requests an effective date coincident with its filing, and therefore respectfully requests waiver of the Commission's notice requirements.

Copies of the filing have been served on Wisconsin Electric's transmission service customers, the Michigan Public Service Commission, and the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin.

Comment date: January 22, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

39. Bangor Hydro-Electric Company

[Docket Nos. ER99-1166-000 and EC99-23-000]

Take notice that on January 5, 1999, Bangor Hydro-Electric Company (Bangor) tendered for filing an

application under Sections 203 and 205 of the Federal Power Act in connection with the proposed sale of generation assets by Bangor to PP&L Global, Inc. or its wholly owned assignee, Penobscot Hydro, L.L.C.. Pursuant to Section 203 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. § 824b, Bangor requests Commission approval of the sale of minimal jurisdictional facilities. Pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. § 824d, Bangor also seeks approval of certain agreements, including an interconnection agreement, made in connection with the sale of generation assets.

Comment date: February 4, 1999, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraphs

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 these filings are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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Wyoming Interstate Company, Ltd.; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Medicine Bow Lateral Project, Request for Comments on Environmental issues and Notice of Public Scoping Meetings and Site Visit

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The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the construction and operation of the facilities, about 143 miles of 24-inch-

diameter pipeline and about 7,200 horsepower (hp) of compression, proposed in the Medicine Bow Lateral Project.¹ This EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether the environmental impact statement (EIS) is necessary and whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

The application and other supplemental filings in this docket are available for viewing on the FERC Internet website (www.ferc.fed.us). Click on the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" from the RIMS Menu, and follow the instructions. Similarly, the "CIPS" link on the FERC Internet website provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings. From the FERC Internet website, click on the "CIPS" link, select "Docket #" from the CIPS menu, and follow the instructions.

If you are a landowner receiving this notice, you may be contacted by a pipeline company representative about the acquisition of an easement to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed facilities. The pipeline company would seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement. However, if the project is approved by the Commission, that approval conveys with it the right of eminent domain. Therefore, if easement negotiations fail to produce an agreement, the pipeline company could initiate condemnation proceedings in accordance with state law. A fact sheet addressing a number of typically asked questions, including the use of eminent domain, is attached to this notice as appendix 1.²

Additionally, with this notice we are asking Federal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the EA. These agencies may choose to participate once they have evaluated the proposal relative to their agencies' responsibilities.

Summary of the Proposed Project

Wyoming Interstate Company, Ltd. (WIC) proposes to build new pipeline and compression facilities to increase the transportation capacity of its current system in Colorado and Wyoming. The

¹ Wyoming Interstate Company, Ltd.'s application was filed with the Commission on December 3, 1998 under Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's regulations.

² The appendices referenced in this notice are not being printed in the **Federal Register**. Copies are available from the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, or call (202) 208-1371. Copies of the appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail.

new facilities would enable WIC to transport an additional 269 million cubic feet of natural gas per day from the Powder River Basin. Specifically, WIC seeks Commission authority to construct and operate the following facilities:

- 143 miles of 24-inch-diameter pipeline extending from WIC's existing mainline in Weld County, Colorado, to Converse County, Wyoming, where it would interconnect with nonjurisdictional gathering facilities;
- A new compressor station in Converse County, Wyoming, which would consist of one turbine-driven, centrifugal compressor unit rated at either 6,937 or 7,200 hp (depending on the exact model finally chosen);
- Two new meter stations in Converse County, Wyoming; and
- A new check meter and side valve in Weld County, Colorado, at the interconnection with WIC's mainline, about 7.5 miles west of WIC's existing Cheyenne Compressor Station.

The general location of the project facilities is shown in appendix 3.

Land Requirements for Construction

Construction of the proposed facilities would require about 1,953 acres of land. Following construction, about 9 acres would be maintained as new aboveground facility sites, and 867 acres would be maintained as permanent right-of-way for the pipeline. The remaining 1,077 acres of land would be restored and allowed to revert to its former use.

The EA Process

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impacts that could result from an action whenever it considers the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. NEPA also requires us to discover and address concerns the public may have about proposals. We call this "scoping". The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the EA on the important environmental issues. By this Notice of Intent, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of the issues it will address in the EA and whether an EIS is necessary. All comments received are considered during the preparation of the EA. State and local government representatives are encouraged to notify their constituents of this proposed action and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

The EA will discuss impacts that could occur as a result of the construction and operation of the