of the Commission's Regulations. 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 proceedings. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room. This filing may be viewed on the web at http:// www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at http:// www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.

#### Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER01-556-000]

## Handsome Lake Energy, LLC; Notice of Filing

December 7, 2000.

Take notice that on December 1, 2000, Handsome Lake Energy, LLC tendered for filing pursuant to section 205 of the Federal Power Act, and Part 35 of the Commission's Regulations, a Petition for authorization to make sales of capacity, energy, and certain Ancillary Services at market-based rates, to reassign transmission capacity, and to resell Firm Transmission Rights.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 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 and protests should be filed on or before December 22, 2000. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. 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. This filing may be viewed on the Internet at http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). Comments and protests may be filed electronically via the internet in lieu of

paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site at http://www.ferc.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.

#### Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

#### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2055]

# Idaho Power Company; Notice of Authorization for Continued Project Operation

December 7, 2000.

On November 24, 1998, Idaho Power Company, licensee for the C.J. Strike Project No. 2055, filed an application for a new or subsequent license pursuant to the Federal Power Act (FPA) and the Commission's regulations thereunder. Project No. 2055 is located on the Snake and Bruneau Rivers in Elmore and Owyhee Counties, Idaho.

The license for Project No. 2055 was issued for a period ending November 30, 2000. Section 15(a)(1) of the FPA, 16 U.S.C. 808(a)(1), requires the Commission, at the expiration of a license term, to issue from year to year an annual license to the then licensee under the terms and conditions of the prior license until a new license is issued, or the project is otherwise disposed of as provided in section 15 or any other applicable section of the FPA. If the project's prior license waived the applicability of Section 15 of the FPA, then, based on Section 9(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 558(c), and as set forth at 18 CFR 16.21(a), if the licensee of such project has filed an application for a subsequent license, the licensee may continue to operate the project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the license after the minor or minor part license expires, until the Commission acts on its application. If the licensee of such a project has not filed an application for a subsequent license, then it may be required, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.21(b), to continue project operations until the Commission issues someone else a license for the project or otherwise orders disposition of the project.

If the project is subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that an annual license for Project No. 2055 is issued to Idaho Power Company for a period effective December 1, 2000, through November 30, 2001, or until the

issuance of a new license for the project or other disposition under the FPA, whichever comes first. If issuance of a new license (or other disposition) does not take place on or before December 1, 2001, notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.18(c), an annual license under Section 15(a)(1) of the FPA is renewed automatically without further order or notice by the Commission, unless the Commission orders otherwise.

If the project is not subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that Idaho Power Company is authorized to continue operation of the C.J. Strike Project No. 2055 until such time as the Commission acts on its application for subsequent license.

#### Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP01-17-002]

#### Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C.; Notice of Compliance Filing

December 7, 2000.

Take notice that on November 27, 2000, Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, L.L.C. (Maritimes) tendered its compliance filing with the Commission's "Order on Filings to Establish Imbalance Netting and Trading Pursuant to Order Nos. 587–G and 587–L [93 FERC ¶ 61,903 (2000)]" issued on October 27, 2000 ("October 27 Order") and as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheets to become effective on November 1, 2000:

Sub Original Sheet No. 262A Sub First Revised Sheet No. 263

Maritimes states that the purpose of this filing is to comply with the requirements of the October 27 Order.

Maritimes also states that copies of the filing were mailed to all affected customers and interested state

commissions.

Any person desiring to protest such filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such protests must be filed in accordance with section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the