

Commission's environmental mailing list. Please note that interested individuals who previously responded to the April 27, 2007 NOI with a request to stay on the environmental mailing list need not reply again.

#### Availability of Additional Information

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at 1-866-208-FERC (3372). Additional information can also be found on the Internet at [www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov). The "eLibrary link" on the FERC Web site provides access to documents submitted to and issued by the Commission, such as comments, orders, notices and rulemakings. Once on the FERC Web site, click on the "eLibrary link," select "General Search" and in the "Docket Number" field enter the project docket number excluding the last three digits (*i.e.*, PF07-4). When researching information be sure to select an appropriate date range. In addition, the FERC now offers a free e-mail service called eSubscription that allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries and direct links to the documents. To register for this service, go to [www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm](http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm). For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or TTY, contact 1-202-502-8659.

Public meetings or site visits will be posted on the Commission's calendar located at [www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx](http://www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx) along with other related information.

Finally, MEP has established an Internet Web site for this Project at [www.midcontinentexpress.com](http://www.midcontinentexpress.com). The Web site includes a description of the Project, a map of the proposed pipeline route, and answers to frequently asked questions. You can also request additional information or provide comments directly to MEP at 1-877-327-5515 or [pipelineinfo@midcontinentexpress.com](mailto:pipelineinfo@midcontinentexpress.com).

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12769-000]

#### Ice House Partners, Inc.; Notice of Application Ready for Environmental Analysis, and Soliciting Comments, Terms and Conditions, Recommendations, and Prescriptions

August 14, 2007.

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

- a. *Type of Application:* Exemption from Licensing.
- b. *Project No.:* 12769-000.
- c. *Date Filed:* January 22, 2007.
- d. *Applicant:* Ice House Partners, Inc.
- e. *Name of Project:* Ice House Power Project.
- f. *Location:* On the Nashua River in the Town of Ayer, Middlesex County, Massachusetts. The project would occupy United States land administered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, 16 U.S.C. Sections 2705 and 2708.
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Liisa Dowd, Ice House Partners, Inc., 323 West Main Street, Ayer, MA 01432, (978) 772-3303.
- i. *FERC Contact:* Tom Dean, (202) 502-6041.
- j. *Deadline for Filing Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Prescriptions:* 60 days from the issuance date of this notice; reply comments are due 105 days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

Comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "eFiling" link.

k. This application has been accepted and is now ready for environmental analysis at this time.

1. *Description of Project:* The Ice House Power Project would consist of: (1) The existing 190-foot-long, 12-foot-high Ice House dam and spillway topped with 24-inch-high flashboards impounding; (2) the existing 965-acre-foot reservoir with a normal full pond elevation of 216.45 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum; (3) the existing headgate structure equipped with four 8-foot-high, 10-foot-wide gates of which two are operational and two are stationary leading to; (4) the existing 50-foot-wide, 109-foot-long power canal connected to; (5) a restored powerhouse containing two generating units with a total installed capacity of 280 kilowatts discharging flow to; (6) the existing 50-foot-wide, 365-foot-long tailrace; (7) the existing 480-volt, 100-foot-long underground transmission cable; and (8) appurtenant facilities.

m. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h. above.

All filings must: (1) Bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "REPLY COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS", "TERMS AND CONDITIONS", or "PRESCRIPTIONS"; (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 submitting the filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Each filing must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed on the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b), and 385.2010.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via

e-mail of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

n. *Procedural Schedule:* The Commission staff proposes to issue a single Environmental Assessment (EA) rather than issuing a draft and final EA. Staff intends to allow 30 days for entities to comment on the EA, and will take into consideration all comments received on the EA before final action is taken on the exemption application. The application will be processed according to the schedule, but revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate:

*Action:* Notice of the availability of the EA.

*Date:* January 2008

o. Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of the notice of ready for environmental analysis.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12804-000]

#### Public Utility District No. 1 of Oklahoma County; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions To Intervene, Protests and Comments

August 14, 2007.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Preliminary Permit.

b. *Project No.:* 12804-000.

c. *Date filed:* May 17, 2007.

d. *Applicant:* Public Utility District No. 1 of Okanogan County.

e. *Name of Project:* Shanker's Bend Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The proposed project would be located on the Similkameen River in Okanogan County, Washington. A portion of the reservoir would be located in British Columbia, Canada.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Dan Boettger, Director, Regulatory and Environmental Affairs, Public Utility District No. 1 of Okanogan County, 1331 Second Avenue N., Post Office Box 912, Okanogan, WA 98840, (509) 422-8425.

i. *FERC Contact:* Patricia W. Gillis at (202) 502-8735.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, protests, and motions to intervene:* 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please include the project number (P-12804-000) on any comments, protests, or motions filed.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

k. *Description of Project:* The proposed project would consist of: (1) A proposed 260-foot-high, 1,200-foot-long dam; (2) a proposed 18,000 acre impoundment with an average depth of 1,289 feet, and gross storage capacity of 1.7-million acre-feet; (3) a proposed penstock; (4) an existing 1,700 foot-long railroad tunnel enlarged to 20-foot-diameter; (5) a proposed powerhouse containing two generating units with an installed capacity of 42-megawatts; (6) a proposed 7.5-mile-long, 115 kV transmission line; and (7) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an estimated annual generation of approximately 280,000 megawatts-hours. The applicant plans to sell the generated energy.

l. *Location of Application:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission in the Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. *Competing Preliminary Permit:* Anyone desiring to file a competing application for preliminary permit for a proposed project must submit the competing application itself, or a notice of intent to file such an application, to the Commission on or before the specified comment date for the particular application (see 18 CFR 4.36). Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing preliminary permit application no later than 30 days after the specified comment date for the particular application. A competing preliminary permit application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30 and 4.36.

o. *Competing Development Application:* Any qualified development applicant desiring to file a competing development application must submit to the Commission, on or before a specified comment date for the particular application, either a competing development application or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent to file a development application allows an interested person to file the competing application no later than 120 days after the specified comment date for the particular application. A competing license application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30 and 4.36.

p. *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.

q. *Proposed Scope of Studies under Permit:* A preliminary permit, if issued, does not authorize construction. The term of the proposed preliminary permit would be 36 months. The work proposed under the preliminary permit would include economic analysis, preparation of preliminary engineering plans, and a study of environmental impacts. Based on the results of these studies, the Applicant would decide whether to proceed with the preparation of a development application to construct and operate the project.

r. *Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene:* Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the