of Wisconsin and the Michigan Public Service Commission.

Comment Date: January 23, 2003.

25. Unitil Energy Systems, Inc.

[Docket No. ER03-374-000]

Take notice that on January 2, 2003, Unitil Energy Systems, Inc. (UES), filed a Notice of Succession with the Federal **Energy Regulatory Commission** pursuant to Sections 35.16 and 131.51 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, 18 CFR 35.16 and 131.51. UES adopted and ratified all applicable rate schedules filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Concord Electric Company and Exeter & Hampton Electric Company. UES also resubmitted its rate schedules to conform them to the formatting requirements of Order No. 614. UES requested that the revised rate schedules be made effective as of December 2, 2002.

Comment Date: January 23, 2003.

26. Warrensburg Hydro Power Limited Partnership Sissonville Limited Partnership NYSD Limited Partnership

[Docket No. ER03-375-000]

Take notice that Warrensburg Hydro Power Limited Partnership, Sissonville Limited Partnership, and NYSD Limited Partnership tendered for filing on January 2, 2003, the following agreements:

Warrensburg Hydro Power Limited (Warrensburg): Letter Agreement to Amend PSA No. 1298, dated October 25, 2002, (signed by Warrensburg on October 29, 2002; signed by NMPC on December 3, 2002), to extend the termination date to December 31, 2003;

Sissonville Limited Partnership (Sissonville): Letter Agreement to Amend PSA No. 1299, dated October 25, 2002, (signed by Sissonville on October 29, 2002; signed by NMPC on December 3, 2002), to extend the termination date to December 31, 2003; and

NYSD Limited Partnership (NYSD): Letter Agreement to Amend PSA No. 1300, dated October 25, 2002, (signed by NYSD on October 29, 2002; signed by NMPC on December 3, 2002), to extend the termination date to December 31, 2003.

Copies of the filings were provided to Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation and New York Public Service Commission. Warrensburg, Sissonville and NYSD have requested that further notice requirement be waived and the executed agreements be allowed to become effective November 1, 2002.

Comment Date: January 23, 2003.

27. NorthWestern Energy

[Docket No. ER03-376-000]

Take notice that on January 3, 2003, NorthWestern Energy, a division of NorthWestern Corporation (NorthWestern Energy), filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission a Notice of Succession pursuant to Section 35.16 of the Commission's regulations, 18 CFR 35.16, and revised tariff sheets to NorthWestern Energy's FERC Electric Tariff, to reflect that, as a result of a name change, NorthWestern Energy is succeeding to the FERC Electric Tariff of Northwestern Public Service Company, effective January 3, 2003.

Comment Date: January 24, 2003.

28. Florida Power Corporation

[Docket No. ER03-377-000]

Take notice that Florida Power Corporation (FPC), on January 3, 2003, tendered for filing a revision to its Cost-Based Wholesale Power Sales Tariff, FERC Electric Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 9 (CR-1 Tariff). The CR-1 Tariff is revised to eliminate a provision referencing FPC's fuel adjustment clause. FPC requests that the revision become effective on April 22, 1998.

FPC states that copies of the filing were served upon the Florida Public Service Commission and those customers taking service from FPC under the CR-1 Tariff.

Comment Date: January 24, 2003.

29. Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc., et al.

[Docket No. ER03-378-000]

Take notice that on January 3, 2003, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. (Midwest ISO) tendered for filing an Interconnection and Operating Agreement entered into by the Midwest ISO, Interstate Power and Light Company (a wholly owned subsidiary of Alliant Energy Corporation), and FPL Energy Hancock County Wind, LLC.

Comment Date: January 24, 2003.

Standard Paragraph

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing should file 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). 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. All such

motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date, and, to the extent applicable, must be served on the applicant and on any other person designated on the official service list. This filing is available for review at the Commission or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http:// www.ferc.gov, using the "FERRIS" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number filed to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or tollfree at (866)208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202)502-8659. Protests and

interventions 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 under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2552-058]

FPL Energy Maine Hydro, LLC; Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment

January 7, 2003.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) regulations contained in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) (18 CFR part 380 [FERC Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897]), the Office of Energy Projects staff (staff) reviewed the application for surrender of project license for the Fort Halifax Project, located on the Sebasticook River, Kennebec County, Maine, and prepared an environmental assessment (EA) for the project. In this EA, staff analyze the potential environmental effects of the surrender of license and conclude that the surrender, or any other alternative considered, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the EA is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room, or it may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov using the "FERRIS" link.

Enter the docket number (prefaced by Pand excluding the last three digits) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or tollfree at (866)208–3676, or for TTY,

contact (202)502–8659.
Any comments should be filed by
February 14, 2003, and should be
addressed to Magalie R. Salas, Secretary,
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission,
888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC
20426. Please affix "Fort Halifax Project
No. 2552–058," to all comments. For
further information, please contact
Robert Fletcher at (202) 502–8901, or at
robert.fletcher@ferc.gov or Jean Potvin at
(202) 502–8901 or at
jean.potvin@ferc.gov.

Comments 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.gov under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission, Soliciting Additional Study Requests, and Establishing Procedural Schedule for Relicensing and a Deadline for Submission of Final Amendments

January 7, 2003.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric applications have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

a. *Type of Applications:* New Major Licenses.

- b. *Projects:* Spring Gap-Stanislaus Project No. 2130–033, Donnells-Curtis Transmission Line Project No. 2118– 007, Beardsley/Donnells Project No. 2005–012, and Tulloch Project No. 2067–020.
- c. *Dates Filed*: P-2130 and P-2118 filed December 26, 2002; P-2005 and P-2067 filed December 23, 2002.
- d. *Applicant*: Pacific Gas and Electric Company, current licensee for P–2130 and P–2118; and Tri-Dam Project, current licensee for P–2005 and P–2067.
- e. *Location:* On the Middle Fork, South Fork, and mainstem of the Stanislaus River in Toulumne and Calaveras counties, California. All of the

Beardsley/Donnell Project, most of the Spring Gap-Stanislaus Project, and all of the Donnell-Curtis Transmission Line Project are located within the Stanislaus National Forest.

f. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. §§ 791 (a)-825(r).

- g. Applicant Contact: Mr. Randy Livingston, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, PO Box 770000, Mail Code: N11C, San Francisco, CA 94117; and Mr. Steve Felte, Tri-Dam Project, P.O. Box 1158, Pinecrest, CA 95364.
- h. FERC Contact: Susan O'Brien, (202) 502–8449 or susan.obrien@ferc.gov.
- i. Cooperating agencies: We are asking Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the environmental document. Agencies who would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing comments described in item k. below.
- j. Pursuant to Section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the applications on their merits, the resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than 60 days from the date of filing of the applications, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

k. Deadline for filing additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status: February 24, 2003.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, 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 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.

Additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status 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 "e-Filing" link.

l. This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

m. The existing Spring Gap-Stanislaus Project is composed of four developments: Relief, Pinecrest, Spring Gap, and Stanislaus. It has a combined capacity of 98 MW.

The existing Donnells-Curtis
Transmission Line Project is a 115 kV
transmission line. Portions of the
transmission line under FERC
jurisdiction include an 8-mile segment
extending from Donnells Powerhouse to
Spring Gap Junction and the 2.2-mile
tap line from Beardsley Powerhouse to
Beardsley Junction.

The existing Beardsley/Donnell Project is composed of the Beardsley and Donnell Developments and has a combined capacity of 64 MW.

The existing Tulloch Project is composed of a single development and has a capacity of 17.1 MW.

n. A copy of the applications are 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 "FERRIS" 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 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 g. above.

o. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the California State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), as required by § 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR 800.4.

p. Procedural schedule and final amendments: The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Acceptance or Deficiency Letter: March 2003

Request Additional Information: March 2003

Issue Scoping Document 1 for comments: June 2003
Hold Scoping Meeting: July 2003
Request Additional Information (if necessary): September 2003
Issue Scoping Document 2: September 2003

Notice that applications are ready for environmental analysis: September 2003

Notice of the availability of the draft NEPA document: March 2004 Initiate 10(j) process: May 2004