Currently Identified Environmental Issues

We have identified several issues that we think deserve attention based on a preliminary review of the proposed facilities and the environmental information provided by Maritimes. This preliminary list of issues may be changed based on your comments and our analysis.

• Geology and Soils.

- –Blasting and disposal of excess rock.
- Water Resources.
- —Impacts of construction on water quality.
- —Impact of construction on wetlands.
- Fish, Wildlife, and Vegetation.
- Impacts of construction on cold water fisheries and anadromous fisheries (including Atlantic salmon).
- —Impacts of construction on wildlife habitat (including deer wintering areas).
- —Disposal of timber and stumps.

• Endangered and Threatened Species.

- —Impacts of construction on Atlantic salmon, shortnosed sturgeon, and bald eagles.
- —Impacts on essential fish habitat.
- Reliability and Safety. —Safety and reliability of the compressor stations and pipeline loops.
- Air Quality and Noise.
- —Impacts of construction and operation of the pipeline and compressor stations on residences.

Public Participation

You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the project. By becoming a commentor, your concerns may be addressed in the EIS and considered by the Commission. You should focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal, alternatives to the proposal (including alternative locations and routes), and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impact. The more specific your comments, the more useful they may be. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

• Send an original and two copies of your letter to: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.

• Label one copy of the comments for the attention of Gas Branch 2; and

• Reference Docket No. PF05–17–000 on the original and both copies.

• Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before January 20, 2006.

Please note that we are continuing to experience delays in mail deliveries from the U.S. Postal Service. As a result, we would include all comments that we receive within a reasonable time frame in our environmental analysis of this project. However, the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing of any comments or interventions or protests to this proceeding. 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 and the link to the User's Guide. Before you can file comments you should open a free account which can be created online.

If you do not want to send comments at this time but still want to remain on our mailing list, please return the attached Mailing List Retention Form (Appendix 3). If you do not return the form, you will be taken off the mailing list.

Additional Information

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at 1-866-208-FERC or on the FERC Internet Web site (*http://www.ferc.gov*) using the eLibrary link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on "General Search" and enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field. Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission now offers a free service called eSubscription which 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. Go to *http:// www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm*.

Finally, public meetings or site visits will be posted on the Commission's calendar located at *http://www.ferc.gov/ EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx* along with other related information.

Public Scoping Meeting

In addition to or in lieu of sending written comments, we invite you to attend the public scoping meetings we will conduct in the area. The locations and times for these meetings are listed below:

- January 9, 2006, 7 p.m., Jeff's Catering Brewer, 5 Coffin Avenue, Brewer, ME 04412
- January 10, 2006, 7 p.m., Liberty Town Hall, 7 Waters Street, Liberty, ME 04949
- January 11, 2006, 7 p.m., American Legion Hall, 17 Dunn Street, Westbrook, ME 04092
- January 12, 2006, 7 p.m., Metheun High School Cafeteria, 1 Ranger Road, Methuen, MA 01844

The public scoping meetings are designed to provide state and local agencies, interested groups, affected landowners, and the general public with more detailed information and another opportunity to offer your comments on the proposed project. Interested groups and individuals are encouraged to attend the meeting and to present comments on the environmental issues they believe should be addressed in the EIS. A transcript of the meetings will be made so that your comments will be accurately recorded.

Finally, public meetings will be posted on the Commission's calendar located at *http://www.ferc.gov/ EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx* along with other related information.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application for Non-Project Use of Project Lands and Waters and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

December 16, 2005.

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

a. *Application Type:* Non-Project Use of Project Lands and Waters.

- b. Project No.: 2067–024.
- c. *Date Filed:* June 2, 2005.

d. Applicant: Oakdale and San

Joaquin Irrigation District. e. *Name of Project:* Tulloch Project.

f. *Location:* Stanislaus River in

Calaveras and Tuolumne Counties, California.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791 (a) 825(r) and 799 and 801. h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Steve Felte, General Manager, P.O. 1158, Pinecrest, CA 95364, (209) 785–3838.

i. *FERC Contacts:* Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Ms. Shana High at (202) 502–8674.

j. Deadline for filing comments and or motions: January 17, 2006.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Ms. Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington DC 20426. Please include the project number (P– 2067–024) on any comments or motions filed. Comments, 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 efilings.

k. *Description of Proposal:* Oakdale and San Joaquin Irrigation District filed an application requesting Commission authorization to transfer fee title of certain project lands to resolve some encroachments and solve issues regarding the use of project lands for private purposes.

l. Location of the Applications: The filings are available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or may be viewed on the Commission's website 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, please call the Helpline at (866) 208–3676 or contact FERCOnLineSupport@ferc.gov. For TTY, contact (202) 502–8659.

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

n. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene: Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

o. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents: Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

p. Agency Comments: Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described applications. A copy of the applications may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

q. Comments, 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 at *http://www.ferc.gov* under the "e-Filing" link.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application for Non-Project Use of Project Lands and Waters and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

December 16, 2005.

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

a. *Application Type:* Non-Project Use of Project Lands and Waters.

b. *Project No.:* 2145–069.

c. *Date Filed:* December 1, 2005. d. *Applicant:* Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County.

e. *Name of Project:* Rocky Reach Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The proposed action would take place near river mile 493 on the Douglas County (east) shoreline of the project reservoir. The project is located on the Columbia River in Douglas and Chelan Counties, Washington.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791 (a) 825(r) and 799 and 801.

h. *Applicant Contact:* Ms. Michelle Smith, Licensing and Compliance

Manager; Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County; P.O. Box 1231; Wenatchee, WA; 98807–1231; (888) 663–8121, Ext. 4180.

i. FERC Contact: Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Isis Johnson at (202) 502–6346, or by e-mail: Isis.Johnson@ferc.gov.

j. *Deadline for filing comments and or motions:* January 17, 2006.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Ms. Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington DC 20426. Please include the project number (P– 2145–069) on any comments or motions filed. Comments, 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 efilings.

k. *Description of Request:* Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County, licensee for the Rocky Reach Hydroelectric Project, has requested Commission approval to permit Lake Entiat Lodge Associated (applicant) to expand the number of docks at the Lake Entiat Estates Marina (also known as Sun Cove Marina). The existing marina can accommodate 62 watercrafts, and was built in the mid-1960s within three small adjoining basins connected to the project reservoir. The applicant proposes a multi-year development plan designed to improve the marina for recreational use by the Lake Entiat Estates residential community. The development plan includes: (1) The installation of 12 new boat slips to accommodate a total of 24 boats; (2) dredging of fine sediment accumulation within the three existing basins; (3) extending two existing boat ramps; and (4) the expansion/replacement of certain existing marina float facilities.

l. Location of the Application: 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 "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

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

n. *Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene:* Anyone may submit