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The licensee is required to make available certain information described in section 16.7 of the Commission's regulations. Such information is available from the licensee at Domtar Industries, Inc., Woodland Mill, 144 Main Street, Baileyville, Maine 04694.

A potential applicant that files a notice of intent and pre-application document within 90 days from the date of issuance of this notice: (1) May apply for a license under part I of the FPA and part 4 (except section 4.38) of the Commission's regulations within 36 months of the date on which it files its notice;⁵ and (2) must comply with the requirements of section 16.8 of the Commission's regulations.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2660-016-Maine]

Domtar Maine Corporation; Notice Soliciting Applications

December 21, 2005.

On August 21, 1995, Georgia-Pacific Corporation, the licensee for the Forest City Project No. 2660, filed a notice of intent to file an application for a new license, pursuant to section 15(b)(1) of the Federal Power Act (FPA).¹ The original license was issued August 27, 1980, became effective April 1, 1962, and expired August 31, 2000. The project is currently operating under an annual license.² The project is a storage reservoir located on the east branch of the St. Croix River in Washington

⁵ The Commission's regulation requires license applications to be filed within 18 months of the date a license applicant files its notice of intent. However, because the Commission's Integrated Licensing Process calls for a three year pre-application process, section 16.25(b)(1) is extended for this project.

¹ The project was transferred to Domtar Maine Corporation (Domtar) on October 26, 2001. 97 FERC ¶ 62,078.

² Notice authorizing continued project operation was issued November 21, 2000.

County, Maine, along the United States-Canadian border.

The Forest City Project consists of a 16-foot-high, 500-foot-long dam and a 16,070-acre reservoir. There are no generating facilities at the project. Water is discharged from the Forest City Dam and enters Spednick Lake, which is regulated by the licensed Vanceboro Project No. 2492.³ The water then flows to Domtar's unlicensed Grand Falls Project, located 35 miles downstream from the Forest City Project, and thence an additional 12 miles to the unlicensed Woodland generating project. The Grand Falls and Woodland Projects, both of which generate electricity, have been found not to require licensing, because they were authorized by a 1916 Act of Congress that predated the 1920 enactment of what is now part I of the FPA.⁴

Pursuant to section 16.9 of the Commission's regulations, the deadline for filing an application for new license and any competing license application was August 31, 1998. No application for license for this project was filed. Normally, pursuant to section 16.25 of the Commission's regulations, the Commission would solicit applications from potential applicants other than the existing licensee. However, the Commission's Order On Rehearing, On Clarification, and Lifting Stay,⁵ concludes that it would be in the public interest to allow Domtar the opportunity to file an application for new license for this project and confirms that the incumbent preference will apply in any licensing proceedings that ensue. In the rehearing order, the Commission waived those parts of 18 CFR 16.24(a)(2) and 16.25(a) that would otherwise bar Domtar from filing an application in response to this notice.

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³ The Vanceboro Project is a storage project with no generating facilities.

⁴ 39 Stat. 534. 45 FERC ¶ 62,070 and 45 FERC ¶ 62,071.

⁵ 99 FERC ¶ 61,276.

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[Docket No. RP97-13-022]

East Tennessee Natural Gas, LLC; Notice of Termination of Negotiated Rates

December 20, 2005.

Take notice that on December 15, 2005, East Tennessee Natural Gas, LLC (East Tennessee) filed for authorization to terminate negotiated rates applicable to East Tennessee's FT-A service agreements with Eastman Chemical Company (Eastman) and AFG Industries, Inc. (AFG), effective November 1, 2005.

East Tennessee states that it is filing to terminate the identified negotiated rate agreements in order to avoid confusion and to make clear that the settlement rates approved in Docket No. RP05-672 apply to Eastman's Contract No. 31096 and AFG's Contract No. 31095.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file 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 notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed in accordance with the provisions of Section 154.210 of the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 154.210). Anyone filing an intervention or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. Anyone filing an intervention or protest on or before the intervention or protest date need not serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the

date a license applicant files its notice of intent. However, because the Commission's Integrated Licensing Process calls for a three year pre-application process, section 16.25(b)(1) is extended for this project.