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David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Protests, Motions To Intervene, Recommendations, and Terms and Conditions

August 3, 2001.

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

- a. *Type of Application:* Conduit Exemption.
- b. *Project No.:* 12095-000.
- c. *Date filed:* July 31, 2001.
- d. *Applicant:* The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD).
- e. *Name of Project:* OC-88 Small Conduit Hydroelectric Project.
- f. *Location:* In Orange County, California. The project would be located in the OC-88 Service Connection, which transfers water from the Allen-McCulloch Pipeline (AMP) to the South County Pipeline. The two primary sources of water for the AMP are the Colorado River Aqueduct and the (California) State Water Project. The

project would not occupy federal or tribal lands.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 USC §§ 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contacts:* Mr. Joseph E. Tait and Ms. Diana Mahmud, The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, P.O. Box 54153, Los Angeles, CA 90054-0153, (213) 217-6360 and 217-6985.

i. *FERC Contact:* James Hunter, (202) 219-2839.

j. *Status of Environmental Analysis:* This application is ready for environmental analysis at this time—see the following paragraphs about filing responsive documents.

k. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene, protests and comments:* September 4, 2001.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20426. 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. Please include the project number (P-12095-000) on any comments, protests, or motions filed.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all interveners filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person in the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervener 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.

l. *Description of Project:* The project would consist of placing back in service an existing 750-kW turbine generating unit, which has not been operated since MWD acquired ownership. Energy currently dissipated in pressure reducing valves as water is transferred from the AMP to the South County Pipeline could then be captured. The average annual generation would be 4 gigawatthours.

m. *Available Locations of Application:* Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions ((202) 208-2222 for assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address shown in item h above.

Development Application—Any qualified applicant desiring to file a competing application must submit to the Commission, on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application, a competing development application, or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing development application no later than 120 days after the specified deadline date for the particular application. Applications for preliminary permits will not be accepted in response to this notice.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Notice of Availability of a Draft Report on Costs Associated With the Total Maximum Daily Load Program and Request for Comments

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of availability and request for comment.

SUMMARY: EPA has developed and is requesting comment on a draft report

and two supporting technical documents on the total national costs associated with the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) program. The TMDL program requires States to identify waters that are not meeting State water quality standards and to establish pollutant budgets, called TMDLs, to restore the quality of those waters. The draft report, and the support documents, were prepared in response to a directive contained in the Conference Report #106-988 describing the VA/HUD and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act for FY 2001. The Conference Report asked for a comprehensive assessment of resources required for the development and implementation of TMDLs, including costs to States and the public and private sectors. EPA will consider comments on this draft report and will then issue a final report.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted by December 7, 2001. Comments submitted electronically will be considered timely if they are submitted by 11:59 p.m. December 7, 2001.

ADDRESSES: You may send written comments to the W-00-31-II TMDL Comments Clerk, Water Docket (MC-4101); U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460. Comments may be hand-delivered to the Water Docket, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; 401 M Street, SW., EB-57, Washington, DC 20460; (202) 260-3027 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday excluding legal holidays. Comments may be submitted electronically to owdocket@epamail.epa.gov. The draft report and two supporting documents are available for review in the Water Docket at the above address. The complete text of the draft report and supporting documents is available on the Internet at: <http://www.epa.gov/OWOW/tmdl/costs>. Copies of the complete draft can also be obtained by request from Myra Price at the above address, by E-mail at price.myra@epa.gov or by calling (202) 260-7108.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Wilson at (202) 260-7878 or Francoise Brasier at (202) 260-5668.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency published a TMDL rule on July 13, 2000 (the July 2000 rule) to clarify existing TMDL program regulations, promulgated in 1985 and amended in 1992, and improve the TMDL program. The TMDL program is the framework by