

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission

[Project No. 2541-035]

Cascade Power Company; Notice of
Availability of Environmental
Assessment

October 12, 2001.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission's) regulations, the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the application dated April 2, 2001, requesting the Commission's authorization to surrender the license for the existing Cascade Power Project, located on the Little River near the town of Brevard in Transylvania County, North Carolina, and has prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed and alternative actions.

Copies of the EA can be viewed at the Commission's Public Reference Room, Room 2A, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). 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.

Any comments on the EA should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice and should be addressed to: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please affix "Cascade Power Project, No. 2541-035" to the first page of your comments. All timely filed comments will be considered in the Commission order addressing the proposed license surrender.

For further information, please contact Jim Haines, staff environmental protection specialist, at (202) 219-2780 or at his E-mail address: james.haines@ferc.fed.us.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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[Project No. 2901-008 and Project No. 2902-009]

Nekoosa Packaging Corporation;
Notice of Availability of Final
Environmental Assessment

October 12, 2001.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the application for license for the Big Island Hydroelectric Project and the Holcomb Rock Hydroelectric Project, located on the James River in Bedford and Amherst Counties, Virginia, and has prepared a Final Environmental Assessment (FEA) for the project. No federal lands or Indian reservations are occupied by project works or located within the project boundary.

The FEA contains the staff's analysis of the potential environmental impacts of the project and concludes that licensing the project, with appropriate environmental protective measures, would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

Copies of the FEA are available for review at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. The FEA may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory
CommissionNotice of Application Accepted for
Filing and Soliciting Comments,
Protests, and Motions To Intervene

October 12, 2001.

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.:* 12114-000.c. *Date filed:* September 4, 2001.d. *Applicant:* Big Rock Power Partners.

e. *Name and Location of Project:* The Old Campbell Project would be located on Old Campbell (AKA Madden) Creek in Humboldt County, California. The project would be located within the Six Rivers National Forest administered by the U.S. Forest Service.

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

g. *Applicant contact:* Mr. Patrick Shannon, P.O. Box 1275, 42042 Highway 299, Willow Creek, California 95573.

h. *FERC Contact:* Tom Papsidero, (202) 219-2715.

i. *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: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 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-12114-000) on any comments 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.

j. *Description of Project:* The proposed project would consist of: (1) a proposed 40-foot-long, 10-foot-high concrete diversion dam, (2) a proposed 2,500-foot-long, 48-inch-diameter steel penstock, (3) a proposed powerhouse containing two generating units having a total installed capacity of 3 MW, (4) a proposed one-mile-long, 12-kV transmission line, and (5) appurtenant facilities. The project would have an annual generation of 8.4 GWh.

k. A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public

inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item g above.

l. *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(b) and 4.36.

m. *Preliminary Permit*—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(b) and 4.36.

n. *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.

o. *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.

p. *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.

q. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents*—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION", "COMPETING APPLICATION", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Hydropower Administration and Compliance, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above-mentioned address. A copy of any notice of intent, competing application or motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

r. *Agency Comments*—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application 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.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Request To Use Alternative Procedures in Preparing a License Application

October 12, 2001.

Take notice that the following request to use alternative procedures to prepare a license application has been filed with the Commission.

a. *Type of Filing*: Request to use alternative procedures to prepare a new license application.

b. *Project No.*: 2219-013.

c. *Date filed*: September 26, 2001.

d. *Applicant*: Garkane Power Association Inc.

e. *Name of Project*: Boulder Creek Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location*: On Boulder Creek, in Garfield County, approximately 100 miles east of Cedar City, in the Boulder Mountains, in a remote area of south-central Utah. The Project occupies 36.86 acres of federal lands within the Dixie National Forest.

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

h. *Applicant Contact*: Garkane Power Association, Mike Avant, Engineering Manager, 1802 South 175 East, Kanab, UT 84741 or Jones & DeMille Engineering, John Spedlove, Project Manager, 1440 South Pipe Lane, Richfield, UT 84701 (435) 896-8266.

i. *FERC Contact*: Dianne E. Rodman at (202) 219-2830; e-mail Dianne.Rodman@ferc.fed.us.

j. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

k. *Deadline for Comments*: 30 days from the date of this notice.

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

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 (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "e-Filing" link.

l. The existing project consists of: A rock-fill diversion dam on the West Fork of Boulder Creek, having a rolled earth filled core and a maximum height of approximately 24 feet; two ungated spillways; diversion gate facilities; a