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. The application may be viewed on http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm (call (202) 208–2222 for assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

- m. 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.
- n. 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.
- o. 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.
- p. 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.
- q. 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.
- r. 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", "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.
- s. 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.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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

May 9, 2002.

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.: 12156-000.
 - c. Date filed: April 8, 2002.
- d. *Applicant:* Minnesota Municipal Power Agency.
- e. *Name of Project:* Coon Rapids Project.
- f. Location: On the Mississippi River, in Hennepin and Anoka Counties, Minnesota. The project would not use any federal lands or facilities.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–825(r).
- h. Applicant Contact: Mr. Derick Dahlen, Agent for, Minnesota Municipal Power Agency, 120 South Sixth Street, Suite 850, Minneapolis, MN 55402, phone (612) 349–6868.
- i. *FERC Contact*: Robert Bell, (202) 219–2806.
- j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene, protests and comments: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

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. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. 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–12156–000) 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.

k. Competing Application: Project No. 12142–000, Date Filed: January, 8, 2002, Date Notice Closed: April 22, 2002.

l. Description of Project: The proposed project would consist of: (1) An existing 260-foot-long, 30-foot-high dam, (2) an existing impoundment having a surface area of 600 acres with negligible storage and a normal water surface elevation of 830.1 feet NGVD, (3) a proposed powerhouse containing 2 generating units having a total installed capacity of 7.2 MW, (4) a proposed 600-foot-long, 4.16 kV underground transmission line, and (5) appurtenant facilities.

The project would have an annual generation of 41.3 GWh that would be

sold to a local utility.

m. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. 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).

n. Preliminary Permit—Public notice of the filing of the initial preliminary permit application, which has already been given, established the due date for filing competing preliminary permit applications or notices of intent. Any competing preliminary permit or development application or notice of intent to file a competing preliminary permit or development application must be filed in response to and in compliance with the public notice of the initial preliminary permit application. No competing applications or notices of intent to file competing applications may be filed in response to this notice. A competing license application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30 (b) and 4.36.

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.

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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", "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers

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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.

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Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Western Area Power Administration

Parker-Davis Project—Notice of Proposed Extension of the Rate Methodology for Firm Power Service and Firm and Nonfirm Transmission Service—Rate Order No. WAPA-98

AGENCY: Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of proposed extension.

SUMMARY: This action is a proposal to extend the existing Parker-Davis Project (P-DP) rate methodology for determining the firm power service rate and the firm and nonfirm point-to-point transmission service rates, Rate Order No. WAPA-75, through September 30, 2004. The

existing rate methodology will expire September 30, 2002. This notice of proposed extension of rate methodology is issued pursuant to 10 CFR part 903.23(a)(1). As permitted by 10 CFR part 903.23(a)(2), Western Area Power Administration (Western) will not have a consultation and comment period and will not hold public information and comment forums.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Todd Statler, Financial Analyst, Desert Southwest Customer Service Region, Western Area Power Administration, P.O. Box 6457, Phoenix, AZ 85005–6457, (602) 352–2781, or e-mail statler@wapa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: By Delegation Order No. 00–037.00, effective December 6, 2001, the Secretary of Energy delegated (1) the authority to develop long-term power and transmission rates on a nonexclusive basis to Western's Administrator, (2) the authority to confirm, approve, and place such rates into effect on an interim basis to the Deputy Secretary and (3) the authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect on a final basis, to remand or to disapprove such rates to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

Pursuant to applicable Delegation Orders and existing Department of Energy (DOE) procedures for public participation in power and transmission rate adjustments in 10 CFR part 903, Western's P–DP rate methodology for firm power service and firm and nonfirm point-to-point transmission service was submitted to FERC for confirmation and approval on November 19, 1997. On March 10, 1998, in Docket No. EF98–5041–000, at 82 FERC ¶ 62,164, FERC issued an order confirming, approving, and placing in effect on a final basis the P-DP rate methodology for firm power service and firm and nonfirm point-to-point transmission service. The rate methodology set forth in Rate Order No. WAPA-75 was approved for the period beginning November 1, 1997, and ending September 30, 2002.

On September 30, 2002, Western's P–DP rate methodology for firm power service and firm and nonfirm point-to-point transmission service will expire. Western proposes to extend the current rate methodology pursuant to 10 CFR part 903. Upon its approval, Rate Order No. WAPA–75 will be extended under Rate Order No. WAPA–98.

Western proposes to extend the existing P–DP rate methodology used each Fiscal Year (FY) to calculate the firm power service rates for capacity and energy (Rate Schedule PD–F6), the