

### *Voter Registration Applications*

(a) Total number of voter registration applications received from all sources during the period from the close of registration for the November 2002 federal election until the close of registration for the November 2004 federal election, (b) total number of mail voter registration applications received during the period from the close of registration for the November 2002 federal election until the close of registration for the November 2004 federal election, (c) total number of voter registration applications received in person in the clerk or voter registrars' office during the period from the close of registration for the November 2002 federal election until the close of registration for the November 2004 federal election, (d) total number voter registration applications received from each voter registration agency during the period from the close of registration for the November 2002 federal election until the close of registration for the November 2004 Federal election, (e) total number of voter registration applications that were changes to address, name or party, (f) total number of voter registration applications that were duplicates of other valid voter registrations, (g) the manner in the which voter registration applications are transferred from other voter registration agencies to the official responsible for voter registration, and (h) which voter registration forms are accepted, including the Federal form, State form, and military applications as well as any restrictions on those applications such as paper weight, fax, electronic, etc.

### *Processing Voter Registration Applications*

(a) How voter registration applications are maintained, (b) how the registration official checks for duplicate registrations, (c) the type of number used as a voter registration number, (d) whether applicants who are rejected are notified of the rejection and reason for rejection.

### *List Maintenance*

(a) The number of removal notices (Section 8(d)(2) notices) sent between the close of registration for the November 2002 election and November 3, 2004, (b) the number of voters who were ultimately removed from the voter rolls between the close of registration for the November 2002 election and November 3, 2004, (c) the numbers of voters who were removed from the voter rolls between the close of registration for the November 2002 election and November 3, 2004 because of the death

of the voter, (d) the number of voters who were removed from the voter rolls between the close of registration for the November 2002 election and November 3, 2004, due to failure to vote in two consecutive federal general elections, (e) the number of voters who were removed from the voter rolls between the close of registration for the November 2002 election and November 3, 2004 because the voter requested to be removed, (f) the number of voters who were removed from the voter rolls between the close of registration for the November 2002 election and November 3, 2004 for other reasons, (g) the number of confirmation notices that were mailed between the federal general election in 2002 and November 4, 2004, (h) the number of responses that were received to the confirmation notices, (i) the sources of data that are considered in performing list maintenance, (j) the process that is used to perform list maintenance, and (k) the way that each state treats voters who (1) have been convicted of a felony, (2) are serving a sentence of incarceration for conviction of a felony, and (3) are serving a term of probation following the conviction of a felony.

### *NVRA and HAVA Provisions*

(a) Which states are subject to the National Voter Registration Act, (b) the number of states that have revised the state voter registration form to include the citizenship and age questions required by HAVA, (c) the manner in which each state treats applications where one or more of the HAVA required questions are not answered, (d) the number of states that have implemented the verification requirements of HAVA, (e) the manner in which each state verifies voter registration applications, and (f) the number of states that have implemented a statewide voter registration database.

### *Voter Registration Drives*

(a) The number of states that allow outside groups to conduct voter registration drives and submit the voter registration applications and (b) how states that allow outside voter registration drives manage the number of applications given to the outside group and the number and timing of the return of those forms by the outside registration group.

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*Chair, U.S. Election Assistance Commission.*  
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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

[FE Docket No. PP-197]

### **Withdrawal of Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement; Public Service Company of New Mexico**

**AGENCY:** Office of Fossil Energy, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of withdrawal.

**SUMMARY:** On February 12, 1999, the Department of Energy (DOE) announced its intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) for the Public Service Company of New Mexico's (PNM) request for a Presidential permit for proposed international electric transmission lines. The proposed Federal action in this EIS was to grant PNM a Presidential permit for the construction, operation, maintenance, and connection of two 345,000-volt electric transmission lines originating at the switchyard of the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station (PVNGS) near Phoenix, Arizona, and extending approximately 160 miles to the south, crossing the United States border with Mexico in the vicinity of Nogales, Arizona. The EIS would have evaluated the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed Federal action and reasonable alternatives.

In a letter dated November 16, 2004, PNM notified DOE that it no longer finds the proposed project viable and withdrew its application for a Presidential permit. Therefore, further preparation of an EIS is not necessary. The notice of intent to prepare an EIS is withdrawn and the NEPA process is hereby terminated.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Ellen Russell, Office of Fossil Energy, FE-27, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585. Telephone 202-586-9624; electronic mail: [ellen.russell@hq.doe.gov](mailto:ellen.russell@hq.doe.gov).

For general information on the DOE NEPA process, please contact Carol M. Borgstrom, Director, Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance (EH-42), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0119, Phone: 202-586-4600 or leave a message at 800-472-2756; facsimile: 202-586-7031.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The construction, operation, maintenance and connection of facilities at the international border of the United States for the transmission of electric energy between the United States and a foreign

country is prohibited in the absence of a Presidential permit issued pursuant to Executive Order (EO) 10485, as amended by EO 12038.

On December 31, 1998, PNM, a regulated public utility, filed an application with the Office of Fossil Energy (FE) of DOE for a Presidential permit. PNM proposed to construct two high-voltage transmission circuits within a single right-of-way. Both circuits would have originated at the switchyard adjacent to the PVNGS located west of Phoenix, Arizona, and extended to the U.S.-Mexico border in one of three two-mile wide corridors preliminarily identified by PNM. From the U.S.-Mexico border, the proposed facilities would have extended approximately 60 miles into Mexico where they would have connected with complementary transmission facilities of the Comision Federal de Electricidad (CFE), the national electric utility of Mexico, at CFE's existing Santa Ana Substation.

Parts of the proposed transmission corridor identified by PNM were on Federal land managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior's Bureau of Land Management and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's U.S. Forest Service; both were cooperating agencies in preparation of the EIS. Activities by those agencies with respect to the EIS are also terminated.

Issued in Washington, DC on February 15, 2005.

**Anthony J. Como,**

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Office of Fossil Energy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Application for Temporary Waiver of Minimum Flows and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

February 14, 2005.

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

- a. *Application Type:* Temporary waiver of minimum flows.
- b. *Project No.:* 2426-196.
- c. *Date Filed:* February 9, 2005.
- d. *Applicant:* California Department of Water Resources and the City of Los Angeles.
- e. *Name of Project:* California Aqueduct Project.

f. *Location:* The project is located on the California Aqueduct, in San Bernadino, Los Angeles, San Luis Obispo, Ventura, and Kern Counties, California. This project does not occupy any Federal or tribal lands.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Dr. Eva Begley, California State Dept. of Water Resources, 1416 Ninth Street, Room 1115-9, Sacramento, CA 95814, (916) 653-5951.

i. *FERC Contacts:* Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Rebecca Martin at (202) 502-6012, or e-mail address: [rebecca.martin@ferc.gov](mailto:rebecca.martin@ferc.gov).

j. *Deadline for filing comments and or motions:* March 7, 2005.

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-2426-196) 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 e-filings.

k. *Description of Request:* California Department of Water Resources (DWR) is seeking Commission approval for a temporary waiver of the minimum flow requirement for the Piru Creek below Pyramid Dam which is required under article 52 of its license. DWR requests this temporary variance to avoid an incidental take of the arroyo toad which is a listed species under the Endangered Species Act. By letter dated February 2, 2005, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service supports this request for more natural flows in order to not adversely affect the arroyo toad and its habitat.

l. *Location of the Application:* The filing is 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 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, please contact FERC Online support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free (866) 208 3676 or 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 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.

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.

**Linda L. Mistry,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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**Agency Information Collection  
Activities: Proposed Collection;  
Comment Request; Reporting  
Requirements for BEACH Act Grants,  
EPA ICR Number 2048.01, OMB  
Control Number 2040-0244**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection  
Agency.