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j. The proposed project would consist of: (1) A 1,000-foot-long, 160-foot-high concrete-faced, rock-fill dam; (2) an impoundment with a 950-acre surface area at a full pool elevation of 550 feet mean sea level; (3) a 2.5-mile-long, 14-foot-wide access road from the dam to the marine access facilities, with a 100-foot-long bridge across the Soule River; (4) marine access facilities along the Portland Canal near the mouth of the Soule River; (5) an 18-foot-diameter 11,100-foot-long power tunnel; (6) a 50-foot by 120-foot powerhouse containing two Francis-type generating units, having a total installed capacity of 75,000 kilowatts; (7) a tailrace within the tidewater area of the Soule River confluence with Portland Canal; (8) a 10.5-mile-long, 138 kilovolt (kV) submarine cable and a 0.5-mile-long 138 kV overhead transmission line that would interconnect in Stewart, British Columbia with British Columbia Transmission Corporation's existing electrical transmission system;<sup>1</sup> and (9) appurtenant facilities.

#### k. Scoping Process

Alaska Power & Telephone Company (AP&T) is utilizing the Commission's alternative licensing procedures (ALP). Under the ALP, AP&T will prepare an Applicant-Prepared Environmental Assessment (APEA) and license application for the Soule River Hydroelectric Project.

AP&T expects to file, with the Commission, the APEA and the license application for the Soule River Hydroelectric Project by June 30, 2009. Although AP&T's intent is to prepare an APEA, there is the possibility that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be required. Nevertheless, this meeting will satisfy the scoping requirements, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, irrespective of whether an EA or EIS is issued by the Commission.

The purpose of this notice is to inform you of the opportunity to participate in the upcoming scoping meetings identified below, and to solicit your scoping comments.

<sup>1</sup> Only the portion of the transmission line that would be located in the United States is under the Commission's jurisdiction.

### Scoping Meetings

AP&T and the Commission staff will hold two scoping meetings, one in the daytime and one in the evening, to help us identify the scope of issues to be addressed in the APEA.

The daytime scoping meeting will focus on resource agency concerns, while the evening scoping meeting is primarily for public input. All interested agencies, Indian tribes, individuals, and organizations are invited to attend one or both of the meetings, and to assist staff in identifying the environmental issues that should be analyzed in the APEA. The times and locations of these meetings are as follows:

#### Daytime Meeting

Tuesday, June 17, 2008, 9 a.m. (PST), Federal Building, 709 W. 9th Street, First Floor, Room #150, Juneau, Alaska.

#### Evening Meeting

Thursday, June 19, 2008, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. (PST), Public Library—Hyder Community Center, Main Street, Hyder, Alaska.

### Site Visit

AP&T, Commission staff, and state and federal resource agencies will participate in an aerial tour of the project site on Thursday, June 19, 2008. Anyone with questions about the aerial tour should contact Glen Martin, AP&T, at (360) 385-1733 x122. Those individuals planning to participate in the aerial tour should notify Mr. Martin of their intent no later than May 19, 2008.

To help focus discussions, Scoping Document 1 (SD1) was mailed in May 2008, outlining the subject areas to be addressed in the APEA to the parties on the mailing list. Copies of the SD1 also will be available at the scoping meetings. SD1 is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room 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, contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via e-mail of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Based on all written comments received, a Scoping Document 2 (SD2) may be issued. SD2 will include a revised list of issues, based on the scoping meetings.

### Objectives

At the scoping meetings, staff will: (1) Summarize the environmental issues tentatively identified for analysis in the APEA; (2) solicit from the meeting participants all available information, especially quantifiable data, on the resources at issue; (3) encourage statements from experts and the public on issues that should be analyzed in the APEA, including viewpoints in opposition to, or in support of, staff's preliminary views; (4) determine the resource issues to be addressed in the APEA; and (5) identify those issues that require a detailed analysis, as well as those issues that do not require a detailed analysis.

### Procedures

The meetings will be recorded by a stenographer and will become part of the formal record of the Commission proceeding for the project.

Individuals, organizations, agencies, and Indian tribes with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the meetings and to assist AP&T and Commission staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in the APEA.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 1403-056]

### Pacific Gas and Electric Company; Notice of Application for Temporary Amendment of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

May 16, 2008.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Request for Temporary Amendment of Article 402 Supplemental Flow Requirements.

b. *Project No.:* 1403-056.

c. *Date Filed:* May 15, 2008.

d. *Applicant:* Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

e. *Name of Project:* Narrows Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location*: At the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers' Englebright Reservoir (Upper Narrows Debris Dam) on the Yuba River, in Nevada County, California.

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

h. *Applicant Contact*: Erich Nolan, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Mail Code N11C, P.O. Box 770000, San Francisco, CA 94177, Telephone: (415) 973-0344.

i. *FERC Contact*: Antonia Lattin, [antonia.lattin@ferc.gov](mailto:antonia.lattin@ferc.gov), Telephone: (415) 369-3334.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene and protests*: June 6, 2008.

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

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor 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. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

k. *Description of Request*: The Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) is requesting a temporary amendment of the supplemental flow requirements of article 402 under the project license. Because of dry conditions in the project area and the need to manage river flows to protect federally listed Chinook salmon and steelhead trout in the Yuba River below Englebright Dam, PG&E requests that it be allowed to operate the Narrows Project without releasing from 1,500 to 2,000 cubic feet per second (cfs) of supplemental flows from Englebright Dam from May 16 to June 30, 2008. Instead, flows would be released by the Yuba County Water Agency (licensee of FERC Project No. 2246) to the Yuba River so that flows below irrigation diversions are 900 cfs from May 16 to May 31, 2008, and 500 cfs during June 2008, at the downstream Marysville Gage. Under this arrangement, flows from Englebright Dam would be approximately 1,500 cfs from May 16 to May 31, 2008, and 1,100 cfs from June 1 to June 30, 2008. The Marysville Gage is located about 15 miles below Englebright Dam. Included in PG&E's

request were letters of concurrence from the state and federal resource agencies.

l. *Location of the Application*: The filing 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) 502-8371, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docsfiling/esubscription.asp> to be notified via e-mail or new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.

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. Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers.

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)(I)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web

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**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Combined Notice of Filings #1

May 16, 2008.

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

*Docket Numbers*: RP01-205-016.

*Applicants*: Southern Natural Gas Company.

*Description*: Southern Natural Gas Company submits its Master Firm Transportation Service Agreement with Southern Company Services, Inc.

*Filed Date*: 05/14/2008.

*Accession Number*: 20080515-0313.

*Comment Date*: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, May 27, 2008.

*Docket Numbers*: RP08-376-000.

*Applicants*: MIGC LLC.

*Description*: MIGC, LLC submits Original Sheet 1 et al. to its revised FERC Gas Tariff, Second Revised Volume 1 et al., to become effective 6/13/08.

*Filed Date*: 05/14/2008.

*Accession Number*: 20080515-0190.

*Comment Date*: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, May 27, 2008.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest in any of the above proceedings 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) on or before 5 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. It is not necessary to separately intervene again in a subdocket related to a compliance filing if you have previously intervened in the same docket. 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. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. In reference to filings initiating a new proceeding, interventions or protests submitted on or before the comment deadline need not be served on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://>