

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 13667-000]

**City of Sandpoint; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications**

April 15, 2010.

On February 26, 2010, and revised April 9, 2010, the City of Sandpoint filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of the Little Sand Creek Hydroelectric Project located on Little Sand Creek in Bonner County, Idaho. The existing dam is owned and operated by the City of Sandpoint. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

*The proposed project would consist of the following:* (1) An existing 50-foot-long, 30-foot-high concrete gravity dam; (2) a 0.15-acre reservoir; (3) an existing 2,500-foot-long 18-inch diameter steel intake pipe running from the dam to the water treatment plant will act as the project's penstock; (4) a powerhouse next to the water treatment plant containing a Pelton turbine and a 65-kilowatt generator; and (5) appurtenant facilities.

*Applicant Contact:* Matthew Mulder, Assistant City Engineer, City of Sandpoint, 1123 Lake Street, Sandpoint, ID 83864; phone: (208) 263-3471.

*FERC Contact:* Joseph C. Adamson, 202-502-8085.

*Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications:* 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ferconline.asp>) under the "eFiling" link. For a simpler method of submitting text only comments, click on "Quick Comment." For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at

[FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov); call toll-free at (866) 208-3676; or, for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and eight copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-13667-000) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 1862-172]

**City of Tacoma, WA; Notice of Application for Amendment of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests**

April 15, 2010.

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

a. *Application Type:* Amendment of License.

b. *Project No.:* 1862-172.

c. *Date Filed:* March 5, 2010, and supplemented on March 30, 2010.

d. *Applicant:* City of Tacoma, Washington.

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

f. *Location:* The project is located on the Nisqually River in Pierce, Thurston, and Lewis Counties, Washington, partly on lands of the Mount Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Patrick D. McCarty, Generation Manager, Tacoma Power, 3628 South 35th Street, Tacoma, Washington 98409, telephone (253) 502-8336; or Marc Wicke, Tacoma Power, 3628 South 35th Street, Tacoma, Washington 98409, telephone (253) 502-8196.

i. *FERC Contact:* Linda Stewart, telephone (202) 502-6680, and e-mail address [linda.stewart@ferc.gov](mailto:linda.stewart@ferc.gov).

j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests:* May 17, 2010.

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 (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "e-filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings.

All documents (original and eight copies) filed by paper should be sent to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please include the project number (P-1862-172) 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 whose name appears on 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. 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 City of Tacoma, Washington proposes to modify Articles 405 (downramping rates) and 409 (timing of planned spill events) to allow for monthly spillway gate testing at the LaGrande Dam from November 1 to February 15. The spillway gate testing is a recommendation of the June 2008 Independent Consultant's Part 12D Safety Inspection Report for the project.

l. *Locations of the Application:* 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) 502-8371. This filing may also 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. 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, 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.