

## 4. Florida Power Corp.

[Docket No. ER95-848-000]

Take notice that on March 28, 1995, Florida Power Corporation tendered for filing an amendment to its agreement with Seminole Electric Cooperative for supplemental resale service and distribution service.

*Comment date:* May 5, 1995, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

## 5. UtiliCorp United Inc.

[Docket No. ES95-29-000]

Take notice that on April 13, 1995, UtiliCorp United Inc. filed an application under § 204 of the Federal Power Act seeking authorization to issue, from time to time, unsecured notes and other obligations, including guarantees of securities issued by subsidiaries or affiliates, up to and including \$400 million in the aggregate at any one time outstanding, during the period commencing July 1, 1995 and ending June 30, 1997, with a final maturity date not later than June 30, 1998.

*Comment date:* May 12, 1995, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

## Standard Paragraphs

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 825 North Capitol Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. 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. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Lois D. Cashell,  
*Secretary.*

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[Docket No. EL95-40-000 and Docket No. QF89-58-001]

**Mega-Racine Associates, Inc.; Notice of Filing**

April 24, 1995

On April 21, 1995, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (Niagara Mohawk)

filed a petition for a declaratory order revoking the qualifying status of a topping-cycle cogeneration facility owned by Megan-Racine Associates, Inc. in Canton, New York. The facility was granted certification as a qualifying cogeneration facility in an order dated January 27, 1989. *Mega-Racine Associates, Inc.*, 46 FERC ¶ 62,074, (1989). Niagara Mohawk claims in its petition that for the years 1991, 1992, 1993, and 1994 the facility did not meet the applicable operating and efficiency standards applicable to natural gas-fired, topping-cycle qualifying cogeneration facilities under section 292.205 of the Commission's regulations. 18 CFR 292.205. Niagara Mohawk asks the Commission to declare that the facility was not a qualifying facility for the years 1991, 1992, 1993, and 1994 and asks the Commission to revoke certification for the years 1991, 1992, 1993 and 1994.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 825 North Capitol Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 285.211 and 385.214 (1992)). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before May 22, 1995. 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. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

Lois D. Cashell,  
*Secretary.*

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[RP95-31-000]

**National Fuel Gas Supply Corp.; Notice of Informal Settlement Conference**

April 24, 1995.

Take notice that an informal settlement conference will be convened in these proceedings on May 3, 1995 at 10 a.m. at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 810 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C., 20426, for the purpose of exploring the possible settlement of the issues in this proceeding.

Any party, as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(c), or any participant as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(b), is invited to attend. Persons wishing to become a

party must move to intervene and receive intervenor status pursuant to the commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.214).

For additional information, contact Marc G. Denkinger (202) 208-2215 or Arnold H. Meltz (202) 208-2161.

Lois D. Cashell,  
*Secretary.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[FRL 5196-7]

**Sole Source Aquifer Designation for the Broad Brook Basin of the Barnes Aquifer**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In response to a petition from the Barnes Aquifer Protection Advisory Committee and the Town of Easthampton, Massachusetts, notice is hereby given that the Regional Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency—New England (EPA) has determined that the Broad Brook Basin of the Barnes Aquifer satisfies all determination criteria for designation as a sole source aquifer, pursuant to Section 1424(e) of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C., section 300h-3(e). The following findings were made in accordance with the designation criteria: the Broad Brook Basin of the Barnes Aquifer supplies more than 50% of the water needs for the communities within the service area boundaries; there are no viable alternative sources of sufficient supply; the boundaries of the designated area and the project review area have been reviewed and approved by the EPA; and, if contamination were to occur, it would pose a significant public hazard and a serious financial burden to the communities within the aquifer service area. As a result of this action, the EPA may review, suggest modifications to, or withhold funding for, any federally financially assisted projects proposed for construction within the Broad Brook Basin of the Barnes Aquifer that may pose an adverse risk of ground water contamination.

**DATES:** This determination shall become effective May 12, 1995.

**ADDRESSES:** The data upon which these findings are based are available to the public and may be inspected during normal business hours at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency—New

England, Water Management Division, One Congress Street, Boston, MA 02203.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Jerome J. Healey, Chief of the Water Management and Water Supply Branch, EPA—New England, JFK Federal Building, WSB, Boston, MA 02203; (617) 565-3610.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

Section 1424(e) of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C., section 300h-3(e), states:

If the Administrator determines, on his own initiative or petition, that an area has an aquifer which is the sole or principal drinking water source for the area and which, if contaminated, would create a significant hazard to public health, he shall publish notice of that determination in the Federal Register. After the publication of any such notice, no commitment for federal financial assistance (through a grant, contract, loan guarantee, or otherwise) may be entered into for any project which the Administrator determines may contaminate such aquifer through a recharge zone so as to create a significant hazard to public health, but a commitment for federal financial assistance may, if authorized under another provision of law, be entered into to plan or design the project to assure that it will not so contaminate the aquifer.

On December 17, 1993, the EPA received a petition from the Barnes Aquifer Protection Advisory Committee and the Town of Easthampton, Massachusetts, requesting the designation of the Broad Brook Basin of the Barnes Aquifer as a sole source aquifer Section 1424(e) of the SDWA. The Sole Source Aquifer designation process consists of four phases, as outlined in the Sole Source Aquifer Designation Petitioner Guidance: Phase I—Petition Preparation, Phase II—Initial Petition Review/Determination of Completeness, Phase III—Detailed Review/Technical Verification, and Phase IV—Designation Determination. The Water Management Division has determined that the Barnes Aquifer Protection Advisory Committee's and the Town of Easthampton's petition fully satisfies the first three phases of the designation process.

**II. Basis for Determination**

Among the factors considered by the Regional Administrator as part of the detailed review and technical verification process for designating an area under Section 1424(e) were:

1. The Broad Brook Basin of the Barnes Aquifer is a high-yielding stratified drift aquifer which the service area population relies on for more than 50% of its drinking water needs.

2. There exists no viable economical alternative drinking water source or combination of sources to supply the designated service area.

3. The EPA has found that the Barnes Aquifer Protection Advisory Committee and the Town of Easthampton have appropriately delineated the boundaries of the aquifer recharge area, project designation area and project review area.

4. While the quality of the Broad Brook Basin of the Barnes Aquifer's ground water is considered to be good, it is highly vulnerable to contamination due to its geological characteristics and possible land-use activities. The designated area is a stratified drift aquifer consisting of shallow sand and gravel deposits. The shallow nature of the aquifer allows contaminants to be rapidly introduced into the ground water with minimal assimilation. It is this high vulnerability to contamination, especially in the southern portion of the Basin, coupled with the aquifer's value as the principal source of drinking water for the residents served, that could pose a significant public health hazard.

**III. Description of the Broad Brook Basin of the Barnes Aquifer Designated Area and Project Area**

The Broad Brook Basin of the Barnes Aquifer is located in Hampshire and Hampden Counties, Massachusetts, approximately 100 miles west of Boston. Part of the Connecticut River watershed, the Broad Brook Basin is approximately nine square miles in area, and encompasses portions of the Towns of Easthampton, Southampton (Hampshire County), and the City of Holyoke (Hampden County).

Broad Brook begins its headwaters south of Mount Tom and flows south for approximately three miles, then north about four miles from Rock Valley to Nashawannuck Pond in Easthampton. The topography of the aquifer ranges from level ground at 150 feet above mean sea level to the summit of Mount Tom at 1,200 feet above mean sea level. Volcanic and sedimentary rocks of Triassic age underlie the basin. These formations are overlain with unconsolidated deposits of sand, gravel, silt and clay laid down by glacial ice, meltwater streams and proglacial lakes during and following the advance and retreat of the Wisconsinan (Laurentide) Ice Sheet, approximately 22,000 to 14,000 years ago. Ground water in these deposits flows predominantly south to north, and is partially confined by clay deposits in the northern portion of the area.

The aquifer includes a mixture of open space, forests and wetlands, and

supports agriculture, recreation, and an increasing number of residential and commercial uses. The Easthampton Water Department operates three municipal wells that draw ground water from the Broad Brook Basin and serve approximately 15,600 people in Easthampton and bordering areas of Northampton and Southampton. The aquifer provides 64% of drinking water in the service area, making it eligible for designation as a Sole Source Aquifer. Use of alternative supplies of water outside the aquifer was found to be economically infeasible.

The quality of ground water in the Broad Brook Basin is generally excellent, but both the highly permeable nature of the aquifer material and the shallow depths to the water table reduce the capacity for pollution attention, making the aquifer vulnerable to contamination. Ground water contamination by Trichloroethylene (TCE) has forced the Town of Easthampton to take a well off-line and investigate treatment options, and has forced the City of Holyoke to close a well permanently. Local government has acted to protect the water quality of the Barnes Aquifer through formation of a multi-town Barnes Aquifer Protection Advisory Committee and adoption of an Aquifer Protection District in Easthampton. The residents of Easthampton are considering amendment of the Aquifer Protection District to comply with more recent State Drinking Water Regulations. The petitioners think that a Sole Source Aquifer Designation would augment their ground water protection efforts by providing a forum for public education and by increasing awareness about the importance and vulnerability of the aquifer which overlies the municipal boundaries of three communities.

**IV. Information Utilized in Determination**

The information utilized in this determination includes: the petition submitted to the EPA—New England Water Management Division by the Barnes Aquifer Protection Advisory Committee and the Town of Easthampton, letters of support received during the public comment period, and public comments received during the public hearing. This information is available to the public and may be inspected at the address listed above.

**V. Project Review**

The EPA—New England office is working with the federal agencies most likely to provide financial assistance to projects in the project review area. Interagency procedures and Memoranda

of Understanding have been developed through which the EPA will be notified of proposed commitments by federal agencies to projects which could contaminate the Broad Brook Basin of the Barnes Aquifer. The EPA will evaluate such projects, and where necessary, conduct an in-depth review, including soliciting public comments when appropriate. Should the Regional Administrator determine that a project may contaminate the aquifer through its recharge zone so as to create a significant hazard to public health, no commitment for federal financial assistance may be entered into for that project. However, a commitment for federal financial assistance may, if authorized under another provision of law, be entered into to plan or design the project to ensure that it will not contaminate the aquifer. Included in the review of any federal financially assisted projects will be the coordination with state and local agencies and the project's developers. Their comments will be given full consideration and the EPA's review will attempt to complement and support state and local ground water protection measures. Although the project review process cannot be delegated, the EPA will rely to the maximum extent possible on any existing or future state and/or local control measures to protect the quality of ground water in the Broad Brook Basin Project Review Area.

#### VI. Summary and Discussion of Public Comments

A total of three written comments were received in support of the petition during the comment period. Four people spoke in favor of the petition at the November 15, 1994 public hearing. In addition, letters of designation endorsement were received from the Easthampton Water Department, the Towns of Easthampton, Southhampton and the City of Holyoke, Massachusetts. There were no comments opposing the petition, either in written form or at the public hearing.

Dated: April 10, 1995.

John P. DeVillars,

*Regional Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency—New England.*

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#### Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 260-5076 OR (202) 260-5075. Weekly

receipt of Environmental Impact Statements Filed April 17, 1995 Through April 21, 1995 Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

*EIS No. 950147*, FINAL EIS, NPS, HI, Haleakala National Park General Management Plan and Conceptual Framework, Implementation, Island of Maui, Maui County, HI, Due: May 29, 1995, Contact: Donald Reeser (808) 572-9306.

*EIS No. 950148*, FINAL EIS, EPA, CA, Adoption—Southeast Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant and Geysers Effluent Pipeline Injection Project, Improvements, Funding, COE Section 404 Permit and NPDES Permit, City of Clearlake, Lake County, CA, Due: May 29, 1995, Contact: Elizabeth Borowiec (415) 744-1948.

The US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has adopted the Department of Interior's, Bureau of Land Management final EIS filed 8-18-94. EPA was not a cooperating Agency for the above final EIS. Recirculation of the document is necessary under Section 1506.3(c) of the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations.

*EIS No. 950149*, DRAFT EIS, IBR, AZ, Tucson Aqueduct System Reliability Investigation (TASRI), Central Arizona Project, Surface Storage Reservoir Construction, COE Section 404 Permit, Gila River, City of Tucson, Pima County, AZ, Due: June 12, 1995, Contact: Bruce D. Ellis (602) 870-6767.

*EIS No. 950150*, DRAFT EIS, BLM, NV, Bald Mountain Gold Mine Expansion Project, within the Horseshoe/Galaxy Mine, Plan of Operation Approval and COE Section 404 Permit, White Pine and Elko Counties, NV, Due: June 16, 1995, Contact: Dan Netcher (702) 289-1872.

*EIS No. 950151*, DRAFT EIS, AFS, UT, Brian Head Recovery Project, Timber Harvest, Implementation, Dixie National Forest, Cedar City Ranger District, Iron County, UT, Due: June 12, 1995, Contact: Ronald S. Wilson (801) 865-0627.

*EIS No. 950152*, FINAL EIS, COE, NJ, Atlantic Coast of New Jersey, Beach Erosion Control Project, Implementation, Sandy Hook to Barnegat Inlet within the Borough of Asbury Park to Manasquan, Monmouth County, NJ, Due: May 29, 1995, Contact: Mark H. Burlas (212) 264-4663.

*EIS No. 950153*, DRAFT EIS, FAA, NY, Syracuse Hancock International Airport, Land Acquisition and Construction of Runway 10 L-28R,

Funding and Airport Layout Plan Approval, Onondaga County, NY, Due: July 26, 1995, Contact: Frank Squeglia (718) 553-0798.

*EIS No. 950154*, DRAFT EIS, AFS, CA, Pacific Pipeline Transportation Project, Construction/Operation, Right-of-Way Grant, Special-Use-Permit, COE Section 10 and 404 Permits, Angeles National Forest, Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles and Kern Counties, CA, Due: June 19, 1995, Contact: Richard Borden (818) 574-5255.

*EIS No. 950155*, LEGISLATIVE DRAFT EIS, AFS, ID, Upper Selway River Tributaries, Wild and Scenic River Study, for Fifteen Rivers, Suitability and Unsuitability, National Wild and Scenic Rivers Systems, Nez Perce National Forest, Idaho County, ID, Due: June 12, 1995, Contact: James Paradiso (208) 983-1950.

*EIS No. 950156*, DRAFT EIS, NPS, AZ, Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument General Management Plan and Development Concept Plan, Implementation, Portion of the Sonoran Desert, Pima County, AZ, Due: July 10, 1995, Contact: Dan Olson (415) 744-3968.

*EIS No. 950157*, DRAFT EIS, BLM, WY, Moxa Arch Area Natural Gas Development Project Expansion, Approvals, Right-of-Way Grants and COE Section 404 Permit(s) Issuance, Sweetwater, Lincoln and Unita Counties, WY, Due: June 12, 1995, Contact: Bill McMahan (307) 382-5350.

*EIS No. 950158*, DRAFT EIS, COE, UT, Kennecott Tailings Modernization Project, Tailings Impoundment Expansion, COE Section 404 Permit Issuance, Salt Lake County, UT, Due: June 27, 1995, Contact: Michael Schwinn (801) 295-8380.

*EIS No. 950159*, DRAFT EIS, AFS, ID, Fish Bate Timber Sale, Implementation, North Fork Clearwater River, Clearwater National Forest, North Fork Ranger District, Clearwater County, ID, Due: June 12, 1995, Contact: Jennefer Sundberg (208) 476-3775.

*EIS No. 950160*, DRAFT EIS, UAF, GU, Andersen Air Force Base (AFB) Solid Waste Management Facility, Construction, Island of Guam, GU, Due: June 12, 1995, Contact: Roy N. Tsutsui (671) 366-2101.

*EIS No. 950161*, FINAL EIS, AFS, UT, Upper Provo River Reservoirs Stabilization Project, Implementation, Wasatch-Cache National Forest, Kamas Ranger District, Summit County, UT, Due: May 29, 1995, Contact: Melissa Blackwell (801) 783-4338.