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.

C1. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title ''COMMENTS'', ''RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS'', ''PROTESTS'', OR ''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, N.E., Washington, DC 20426. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

D2. 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.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing; Notice That the Application Is not Ready for Environmental Analysis; Notice of Solicitation of Interventions and Protests; and Notice of Scoping and Invitation for Written Scoping Comments

June 17, 1998.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Major New License.

b. *Project No.:* 2620–005.

c. *Date filed:* March 9, 1998.

d. *Applicant:* Lockhart Power Company.

e. *Name of Project:* Lockhart Project.

f. *Location:* On the Broad River in Union, Chester, York, and Cherokee counties, South Carolina.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Leslie Anderson, General Manager, Lockhart Power Company, 420 River Street, Lockhart, South Carolina 29364, (864) 545–2211.

i. *FERC Contact:* Charles R. Hall at (202) 219–2853.

j. *Deadline Date:* August 18, 1998.

k. *Description of the Project:* The existing project consists of: (1) A 16-foot-high, concrete gravity dam; (2) a 7.5-mile-long, 300-acre reservoir; (3) a 7,497-foot-long canal; (4) a powerhouse containing five turbine-generator units with a total installed capacity of 15,200 kilowatts (kW), proposed for upgrading to 18,000 kW; (5) a 1,500-foot-long tailrace; and (6) appurtenant facilities.

l. *Locations of the Application:* A copy of the application is available for inspection or reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A–1, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208–2326. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at Lockhart Power Company, 420 River Street, Lockhart, South Carolina 29364, phone (864) 545–2211.

m. Status of Application and Environmental Analysis: This application has been accepted for filing, but it is not ready for environmental analysis. See attached paragraph E1.

n. Invitation to Intervene or Protest: Intervenors are reminded of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure requiring parties filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of the document on each person whose name appears on the official service list for the project. Further, if a party or 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. See attached paragraph B1.

o. Scoping and Invitation for Written Scoping Comments: Interested individuals, organizations, and agencies with environmental expertise are invited to assist the staff in identifying the scope of environmental issues that should be analyzed in the environmental analysis once the application is determined ready for environmental analysis by submitting written scoping comments. To help focus these comments, a scoping document outlining subject areas which could be addressed in an environmental analysis will be mailed to all agencies and interested individuals on the Commission mailing list. Copies of the scoping document may also be requested from the staff.

Persons who have views on the issues or information relevant to the issues may submit written statements for inclusion in the public record. Those written comments should be filed with the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, by the deadline date shown in item (j) above. All written correspondence should clearly show the following caption on the first page: Lockhart Project, FERC No. 2620–005.

p. This notice contains the standard paragraphs B1 and E1.

B1. Protests or Motions to Intervene—Anyone may submit a protest or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, and 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests 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 protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

E1. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time; therefore, the Commission is not now requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

When the application is ready for environmental analysis, the Commission will issue a public notice requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title ''PROTEST'' or ''MOTION TO INTERVENE;'' (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. Agencies may obtain copies of the

application directly from the applicant. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies required 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 Project Review, Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Tendered for Filing with the Commission

June 17, 1998.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Minor license.

b. *Project No.:* P–11616–000.

c. *Date Filed:* June 1, 1998.

d. *Applicant:* City of Portland, Michigan.

e. *Name of Project:* Portland Municipal Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Grand River in Ionia County, Michigan.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–824(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Robert Masselink, P.E., Glen Hendrix, Earth Tech, Inc., 5555 Glenwood Hills Pkwy, Grand Rapids, MI 49588, (616) 942–9600.

i. *FERC Contact:* Michael Spencer at (202) 219–2846.

j. *Comment Date:* 60 days from the date of filing of the application.

k. *Description of Project:* The constructed project consists of a dam and reservoir, a forebay and powerhouse located at the south abutment containing two turbine-generator units with a total installed capacity of 375 kilowatts, and appurtenant facilities. The project will generate about 1,572 megawatt-hours per year.

l. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the MICHIGAN STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER (SHPO), as required by § 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR 800.4.

m. Pursuant to Section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than 60 days from the date of filing of the application, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 1759]

Wisconsin Electric Power Company; Notice of Meetings

June 17, 1998.

From July 14 to July 16, 1998, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission staff will be meeting with Wisconsin Electric Power Company (WE) and the Collaborative Team to identify and discuss non-project uses of project lands and waters and related issues concerning the Way Dam and Michigamme Reservoir Project (Project No. 1759), which is located on the Michigamme River near Crystal Falls, Michigan. The Way Dam impounds the approximate 6,400-acre Michigamme Reservoir. The Michigamme Reservoir operates as a storage basin for high spring and fall flows, which are released during periods of lower flow in the summer and winter. The meetings will be conducted at WE's office, located at 800 Industrial Park Drive, Iron Mountain, Michigan 49801. On July 14, the meeting will be conducted at 8 a.m., and on July 15 and 16, 1998, the meetings will be conducted at 9 a.m.

If you would like more information about the Upper Menominee River Basin Projects, in which the Way Dam and Michigamme Reservoir Project is part of, please contact one of the individuals:

Patti Leppert-Slack, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE Rm 72–33, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 219–2767, E-mail: patricia.leppertslack@ferc.fed.us

Rita Hayen, Wisconsin Electric Power Company, 333 W. Everett Street, Milwaukee, WI 53203, (414) 221–2413, E-mail: rita.hayen@wemail.wisenergy

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–6113–5]

Solicitation of Additional Pilot Projects Under Project XL; June 12, 1998

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; solicitation of additional pilot projects under project XL to ''Reinvent'' Environmental Regulations and Policies.

SUMMARY: Project XL, which stands for ''eXcellence and Leadership,'' is a national pilot program that provides a unique opportunity to test innovative ways of achieving better and more cost-effective public health and environmental protection. Under Project XL, EPA offers flexibility in its regulations, policies, procedures, processes and guidance, as well as other benefits to encourage companies, communities and other project sponsors to develop and test ''cleaner, cheaper and smarter'' alternatives to the current system. As of May 1998, seven pilot projects are being implemented and 20 more are in development. Several project sponsors have already achieved a number of significant benefits by participating in XL, including substantial cost savings, increased operational flexibility, better stakeholder relationships, increased environmental protection, and the ability to adapt processes and products more quickly to changes in consumer demand.

One company, for example, in just the first year of its pilot project, was able to consolidate a number of routine reports into two per year and use alternative means to meet air pollution control technology requirements. In addition, the company was able to achieve substantial environmental improvements while saving nearly $176,000 in operating costs. The company is also expecting to avoid $10 million in future capital spending.

Another company—also just in its project's first year—has avoided millions of dollars worth of production delays by eliminating 30–50 permit reviews while substantially increasing recycling, reducing solid and hazardous