The proposed effective date under these agreements is January 1, 2001.

Comment date: January 31, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

7. Puget Sound Energy, Inc.

[Docket No. ER01–934–000]

Take notice that on January 10, 2001, Puget Sound Energy, Inc., tendered for filing an executed Confirmation of Special Storage Arrangement with The City of Seattle, acting by and through its Lighting Department (SCL).

A copy of the filing was served upon SCL.

Comment date: January 31, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

8. PECO Energy Company

[Docket No. ER01–935–000]

Take notice that on January 10, 2001, PECO Energy Company (PECO), tendered for filing an Interconnection Agreement between PECO and Exelon Generation Company, L.L.C. (ExGen) designated as Service Agreement No. 544 under PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.'s FERC Electric Tariff, Third Revised Volume No. 1, to be effective on 10 January 2001.

Copies of this filing were served on ExGen, PJM and the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

Comment date: January 31, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

9. Exelon Generation Company, L.L.C.

[Docket No. ER01–936–000]

Take notice that on January 10, 2001, Exelon Generation Company, L.L.C. (ExGen), tendered for filing a Call Contract between ExGen and PECO Energy Company (PECO) designated as ExGen's Rate Schedule FERC No. 2, to be effective on January 10, 2001.

Copies of this filing were served on ExGen, PJM and the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

Comment date: January 31, 2001, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

Standard Paragraphs

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest such filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 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 these filings are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the Internet at http://www.ferc.fed.us/ online/rims.htm (call 202–208–2222 for assistance).

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP00–233–000 and CP00–233–001]

Southern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed South System Expansion Project

Janaury 17, 2001.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) on the natural gas pipeline facilities proposed by Southern Natural Gas Company (Southern) in the above-referenced docket.

The EA was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act. The staff concludes that approval of the proposed project, with appropriate mitigating measures, would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of about 67 miles of pipeline loop and about 54,000 horsepower (hp) of mainline compression at various points along Southern existing system in Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and South Carolina. Southern's South System Expansion Project would provide a total of 335,800 thousand cubic feet per day (Mcfd) to serve the following customers: Southern Company Services Inc. (284,050 Mcfd); South Carolina Pipeline Corporation (50,000 Mcfd); and the city of LaGrange, Georgia (1,750 Mcfd). Southern proposes to construct the project into two phases, with in-service dates proposed for June 1, 2002 (Phase I), and June 1, 2003 (Phase II).

The EA has been placed in the public files of the FERC. A limited number of copies of the EA are available for distribution and public inspection at:

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street, N.E., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 208–1371.

Copies of the EA have been mailed to Federal, state and local agencies, public interest groups, interested individuals, newspapers, and parties to this proceeding.

Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. To ensure consideration prior to a Commission decision on the proposal, it is important that we receive your comments before the date specified below. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send an original and two copies of your comments to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426;
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of the Gas Group 1, PJ11.1;
- Reference Docket No. CP00–233–000 and CP00–233–001; and
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before February 19, 2001.

Comments may also 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.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm* under the link to the User's Guide. Before you can file comments you will need to create an account which can be created by clicking on ''Login to File'' and then ''New User Account.''

Comments will be considered by the Commission but will not serve to make the commentor a party to the proceeding. Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214). Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision.

Affected landowners and parties with environmental concerns may be granted intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have a clear and direct interest in this proceeding which would not be adequately represented by any other parties. You do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs,

at (202) 208–1088 or on the FERC Internet websit (www.ferc.fed.us) using the ''RIMS'' link to information in this docket number. Click on the ''RIMS'' link, select ''Docket #'' from the RIMS Menu, and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to RIMS, the RIMS helpline can be reached at (202) 208–2222.

Similarly, the ''CIPS'' link on the FERC Internet website provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings. From the FERC Internet website, click on the ''CIPS'' link, select ''Docket #'' from the CIPS menu, and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to CIPS, the CIPS helpline can be reached at (202) 208–2474.

David P. Boergers,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Transfer of License, Substitution of Relicense Applicant, and Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Protests

January 17, 2001.

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

a. *Application Types:* (1) Transfer of License and (2) Request for Substitution of Applicant for New License (in Project No. 2631–007).

b. *Project Nos:* 2631–007 and 2631–008.

c. *Date Filed:* December 12, 2000.

d. *Applicants:* International Paper Company (transferor) and Woronoco Hydro LLC (transferee).

e. *Name and Location of Project:* The Woronoco Hydroelectric Project is on the Westfield River in Hampden County, Massachusetts. The project does not occupy federal or tribal land.

f. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–25(r).

g. *Applicant Contacts:* For Transferor: Mr. Michael Chapman, International Paper Company, 6400 Poplar Ave., Memphis, TN 38197, (901) 763–5888 and Mr. William J. Madden, Jr., Winston & Strawn, 1400 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005–3502, (202) 371–5700. For Transferee: Mr. Peter B. Clark, Woronoco Hydro LLC, P.O. Box 149A, 823 Bay Road, Hamilton, MA 01936 and Mr. John C. Hutchins, Kirkpatrick & Lockhart LLP, 75 State Street, Boston, MA 02109, (617) 951–9165.

h. *FERC Contact:* Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Tom Papsidero at (202) 219–2715.

i. *Deadline for Filing Comments and/or Motions:* March 13, 2001.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. Comments and protests 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.fed.us/efi/doorbell.htm.

Please include the noted project numbers on any comments or motions filed.

j. *Description of Proposal:* The applicants propose a transfer of the license for Project No. 2631 from the transferor to the transferee, in connection with the proposed sale of the project.

The transfer application was filed within five years of the expiration of the license for Project No. 2631, which is the subject of a pending relicense application. In Hydroelectric Relicensing Regulations Under the Federal Power Act (54 Fed. Reg. 23,756; FERC Stats. and Regs., Preambles 1986–1990 30,854 at p. 31,437), the Commission declined to forbid all license transfers during the last five years of an existing license, and instead indicated that it would scrutinize all such transfer requests to determine if the primary purpose of the transfer was to give the transferee an advantage in relicensing (id. at p. 31,438 n. 318).

The transfer application also contains a separate request for approval of the substitution of the transferee for the transferor as the applicant in the pending relicensing application, filed by the transferor on August 31, 1999, in Project No. 2631–007.

k. *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) 208–1371. The application may be viewed on the web at www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm. (Call (202) 208–2222 for assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the addresses in item g above.

l. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

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.

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. 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, NE., 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.

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,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions to Intervene, Protests, and Comments

January 17, 2001.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Preliminary Permit.

b. *Project No.:* 11868–000.