in the EA on the important environmental issues. By this Notice of Intent, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of the issues it will address in the EA. All comments received are considered during the preparation of the EA. State and local government representatives are encouraged to notify their constituents of this proposed action and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

The EA will discuss impacts that could occur as a result of the construction and operation of the proposed project under these general headings:

- geology and soils
- water resources, fisheries, and wetlands
- vegetation and wildlife
- cultural resources
- public safety
- land use
- endangered and threatened species
- air quality and noise
- residential construction

We will also evaluate possible alternatives to the proposed project or portions of the project, and make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid impacts on the various resource areas.

Our independent analysis of the issues will be in the EA. Depending on the comments received during the scoping process, the EA may be published and mailed to Federal, state, and local agencies, public interest groups, interested individuals, affected landowners, newspapers, libraries, and the Commission's official service list for this proceeding. A comment period will be allotted for review if the EA is published. We will consider all comments on the EA before we make our recommendations to the Commission.

Currently Identified Environmental Issues

We have already identified several issues we think deserve attention based on a preliminary review of the proposed facilities and the environmental information provided by Northwest. This preliminary list of issues may be changed based on your comments and our analysis.

- Impact on residents within 50 feet of construction, and impacts to agricultural areas.
- Effects from the addition of 24,924 hp of compression.
- Possible impact on Federal, state, and BLM-listed species.

Public Participation

You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the project. By becoming a commentor, your concerns will be addressed in the EA and considered by the Commission. You should focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal, alternatives to the proposal (including alternative locations/routes), and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impact. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. Please follow these instructions carefully to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send an original and two copies of your letter to: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St. NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of Gas Group 1.
- Reference Docket No. CP01–438–000.
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before November 9, 2001.

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 under the ''e-Filing'' link.

Becoming an Intervenor

In addition to involvement in the EA scoping process, you may want to become an official party to the proceeding known as an ''intervenor.'' Intervenors play a more formal role in the process. Among other things, intervenors have the right to receive copies of case-related Commission documents and filings by other intervenors. Likewise, each intervenor must provide 14 copies of its filings to the Secretary of the Commission and must send a copy of its filings to all other parties on the Commission's service list for this proceeding. If you want to become an intervenor you must file a motion to intervene according to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214) (see appendix 2). Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision.

You do not need intervenor status to have your environmental 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 Web site (*www.ferc.gov*) 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 Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission, Soliciting Additional Study Requests, and Establishing Procedures for Relicensing and a Deadline for Submission of Final Amendments

October 3, 2001.

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

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

b. *Project No.:* 2935–015.

c. *Date Filed:* September 24, 2001.

d. *Applicant:* Enterprise Mill, LLC.

e. *Name of Project:* Enterprise Mill Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Augusta Canal about 6 miles downstream of the Augusta Canal diversion dam, adjacent to the Savannah River, Richmond County, Augusta, GA. The project is one of three hydropower projects located in the Augusta Canal. The project does not affect Federal lands.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Beth E. Harris, Project Engineer, CHI Energy, Inc., P.O. Box 8597, Greenville, SC 29604, (864) 281–9630.

i. *FERC Contact:* Monte TerHaar, (202) 219–2768 or *monte.terhaar@ferc.fed.us.*

j. Deadline for filing additional study requests: November 26, 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, 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 under the ''e-Filing'' link.

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person 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.

k. This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time. We are not requesting intervenors to this project at this time.

l. The existing Enterprise Mill Hydroelectric Project consists of: (1) There is no dam or impoundment, as approximately 580 cfs of water is withdrawn from the Augusta Canal when operating at full capacity; (2) two steel sliding, vertical lift intake gates; (3) primary and secondary steel trash racks; (4) two 300-foot-long, 8-foot diameter penstocks; (5) two vertical shaft turbine/generator units with an installed capacity of 1.2 megawatts: (6) an 850-foot-long tailrace returning flow to the Augusta Canal, and (7) appurtenant facilities. The applicant estimates that the annual generation would be between 5,000 and 8,000 megawatthours. Generated power is utilized within the applicant's Enterprise Mill which houses residential and commercial tenants, and excess power will be sold to Georgia Power Company. No new facilities are proposed.

m. 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 2–A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208–1371. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the web at *http://www.ferc.gov* using the ''RIMS'' link, selected ''Docket#'' and follow the instructions (call 202–208–2222 for assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

n. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the *Georgia 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.

o. Procedural schedule and final amendments: The application will be processed according to the following milestones, some of which may be combined to expedite processing:

Notice of application has been accepted for filing
Notice or NEPA Scoping
Notice of application is ready for environmental analysis
Notice soliciting final terms and conditions
Notice of the availability of the draft NEPA document (draft EA)
Notice of the availability of the final NEPA document (final EA)
Order issuing the Commission's decision on the application

Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of the notice of ready for environmental analysis.

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

October 3, 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.*: 12115–000.

c. *Date filed*: September 4, 2001

d. *Applicant*: Symbiotics, LLC.

e. *Name of Project*: Wilson.

f. *Location*: On Bilk Creek in San Miguel County, Colorado. The project would occupy lands administered by the State of Colorado and the U.S. Forest Service.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Dr. Vincent Lamarra, Director, Ecosystems Research Institute, Inc., 975 South State Highway, Logan, UT 84321, (435) 752–2580, fax (435) 752–2581.

i. *FERC Contact*: Elizabeth Jones (202) 208–0246.

j. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene, protests and comments:* 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426. 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 under the ''e-Filing'' link.

Please include the Project Number (12115–000) on any comments, protests, or motions filed.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all interveners filing a document with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person in 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.

k. *Description of Project*: The proposed project would operate in run-of-river mode and consist of: (1) a proposed concrete diversion dam 10-feet-high, and 75-feet-crest-length, (2) a proposed 60-inch steel penstock approximately 7,350 feet long, (3) a proposed powerhouse containing four turbines with a total installed capacity of 20 MW, (4) a proposed switchyard, (5) approximately three miles of proposed 25kV transmission line, and (6) appurtenant facilities.

The project would have an estimated annual generation of 100 GWH.

l. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the web at http://www.ferc.gov using the ''RIMS'' link, select ''Docketı'' and follow the instructions (call 202–208–2222 for assistance).

m. Preliminary Permit—Anyone desiring to file a competing application for preliminary permit for a proposed project must submit the competing application itself, or a notice of intent to file such an application, to the Commission on or before the specified comment date for the particular application (see 18 CFR 4.36). Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing preliminary permit application no later than 30 days after the specified comment date for the particular application. A competing preliminary permit application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30(b) and 4.36.

n. Preliminary Permit—Any qualified development applicant desiring to file a competing development application must submit to the Commission, on or before a specified comment date for the particular application, either a competing development application or a