

visit should meet at the Blue Lake Powerhouse at 9 a.m. Please RSVP Dean Orbison, Engineering Manager, at (907) 747-6633, at least 3 days prior to the site visit if you plan on attending.

The deadline for filing comments is November 21, 2003. All documents (an original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Scoping comments may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. 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's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all interveners 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 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 that document on that resource agency.

Based on feedback received on the SD1 and the project site visit, Sitka will prepare a Scoping Document 2 (SD2). SD2 will include a revised list of issues based on the meeting and written comments.

All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited and encouraged to attend the meetings and site visit and to assist in the identification of environmental issues that should be included in SD2.

We are asking federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the Commission's EA. Agencies who would like to request cooperating agency status should file such a request (original and eight copies) with the Secretary at the aforementioned address. Please put the docket number, P-2230-033, on the first page of your filing.

For further information regarding the scoping meeting and project site visit or to be added to the mailing list for the project, please contact Mr. Dean Orbison of Sitka or Nicholas Jayjack of the Commission's staff at (202) 502-6073.

A copy of the SD1 is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on

the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the project number (P-2230) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at [FEROnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FEROnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs/filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

**Magalie R. Salas,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ES03-57-000]

#### Texas-New Mexico Power Company; Notice of Application

September 26, 2003.

Take notice that on September 23, 2003, Texas-New Mexico Power Company (TNMP) submitted an application pursuant to section 204 of the Federal Power Act seeking authorization to enter into guarantees of up to \$50 million of indebtedness of its affiliate, First Choice Power, Inc.

TNMP also requests a waiver from the Commission's competitive bidding and negotiated placement requirements at 18 CFR 34.2.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing should file 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). 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. All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date, and, to the extent applicable, must be served on the applicant and on any other person designated on the official service list. This filing is available for review at the

Commission or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the eLibrary (FERRIS) link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FEROnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FEROnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll-free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. 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 strongly encourages electronic filings.

Comment Date: October 10, 2003.

**Magalie R. Salas,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12334-000]

#### Universal Electric Power Corporation; Notice Granting Intervention

September 29, 2003.

On February 12, 2003, the Commission issued a Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Protests; for the Demopolis L&D Hydroelectric Project No. 12334, located on the Tombigbee River in Marengo County, Alabama. The notice established April 12, 2003, as the deadline for filing motions to intervene.

On April 25, 2003, the Fort James Operating Company filed an untimely motion to intervene and comments. Granting the motion to intervene will not unduly delay or disrupt the proceeding, or prejudice other parties to it. Therefore, pursuant to Rule 214,<sup>1</sup> the motion to intervene filed by Fort James Operating Company is granted, subject to the Commission's rules and regulations.

**Magalie R. Salas,**  
Secretary.

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<sup>1</sup> 18 CFR 385.214 (2003).