

initiated support for between five and ten new Outstanding Junior Investigators each year. The program has been very successful and contributes importantly to the vigor of the U.S. High Energy Physics program. Applicants should request support under this notice for normal research project costs as required to conduct their proposed research activities. The full range of activities currently supported by the Division of High Energy Physics is eligible for support under this program.

The DOE expects to make five to ten grant awards in fiscal year 1999 to meet the objectives of this program. It is anticipated that approximately \$400,000 will be available in fiscal year 1999, subject to availability of appropriated funds. In the past, awards have averaged \$50,000 per year, with the number of awards determined by the number of excellent applications and the total funds available for this program.

Multiple year funding of grant awards is expected, with funding provided on an annual basis subject to availability of funds. Renewal beyond the initial project period is normal so long as the recipient's tenure status is unchanged.

Applications will be subjected to a formal competitive merit review and will be evaluated against the following criteria, which are listed in descending order of importance as set forth in 10 CFR Part 605:

1. Scientific and/or technical merit of the project;
2. Appropriateness of the proposed method or approach;
3. Competency of applicant's personnel and adequacy of proposed resources; and
4. Reasonableness and appropriateness of the proposed budget.

General information about development and submission of applications, eligibility, limitations, evaluations and selection processes, and other policies and procedures are contained in the Application Guide for the Office of Energy Research Financial Assistance Program and 10 CFR Part 605. The application guide is available on the World Wide Web at: <http://www.er.doe.gov/production/grants/grants.html>

(The Catalog Of Federal Domestic Assistance Number for this program is 81.049, and the solicitation control number is ERFAP 10 CFR Part 605)

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John Rodney Clark,

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER98-3052-000]

PowerSource Corp.; Notice of Issuance of Order

July 13, 1998.

PowerSource Corp. (PowerSource) submitted for filing a rate schedule under which PowerSource will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transactions as a marketer. PowerSource also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, PowerSource requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by PowerSource.

On July 10, 1998, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Applications, Office of Electric Power Regulation, granted requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by PowerSource should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First 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 385.214).

Absent a request for hearing within this period, PowerSource is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, indorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, and compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approval of PowerSource's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing motions to intervene or protests, as set forth above, is August 10, 1998. Copies of the full text of the order are available from the Commission's Public Reference Branch,

888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER98-3108-000]

Rocky Mountain Natural Gas & Electric L.L.C.; Notice of Issuance of Order

July 13, 1998.

Rocky Mountain Natural Gas & Electric L.L.C. (Rocky Mountain) filed a rate schedule under which Rocky Mountain will engage in wholesale electric power and energy transaction as a marketer. Rocky Mountain also requested waiver of various Commission regulations. In particular, Rocky Mountain requested that the Commission grant blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by Rocky Mountain.

On July 10, 1998, pursuant to delegated authority, the Director, Division of Applications, Office of Electric Power Regulation, granted requests for blanket approval under Part 34, subject to the following:

Within thirty days of the date of the order, any person desiring to be heard or to protest the blanket approval of issuances of securities or assumptions of liability by Rocky Mountain should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First 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 385.214).

Absent a request for hearing within this period, Rocky Mountain is authorized to issue securities and assume obligations or liabilities as a guarantor, indorser, surety, or otherwise in respect of any security of another person; provided that such issuance or assumption is for some lawful object within the corporate purposes of the applicant, and compatible with the public interest, and is reasonably necessary or appropriate for such purposes.

The Commission reserves the right to require a further showing that neither public nor private interests will be adversely affected by continued approval of Rocky Mountain's issuances of securities or assumptions of liability.