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Attachment A

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPLY

Name of Organization/Principal Investigator

Name of Collaborating Organization(s)
intends to submit an application under
Solicitation No. DE-PS03-99SF21764.

Title: _____

Scope of Work Element/Area: _____

Engineering research and/or basic science
field:

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

**Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission**

[Docket No. CP99-39-000]

**Granite State Gas Transmission, Inc.;
Notice of Application**

November 2, 1998.

Take notice that on October 27, 1998, Granite State Gas Transmission, Inc. (Granite State), 300 Friberg Parkway, Westborough, Massachusetts 01581, filed an application, pursuant to Sections 7(b) and 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations. Granite State seeks to acquire and operate as an integral component of its main transmission system approximately 5,300 feet of 8 and 12-inch lateral pipeline now owned and operated by Northern Utilities, Inc. (Northern Utilities). The pipe is currently part of Northern Utilities natural gas distribution system in the Town of Newington (Rockingham County), New Hampshire. As a consequence of the acquisition, Granite State needs to abandon a transportation service delivery point to Northern Utilities on its main line and establish three new delivery points to Northern Utilities along the lateral. The details of Granite State's proposal are more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Granite State says that the Commission has certificated a new interstate pipeline in Docket No. CP97-238-000 which will be jointly owned and operated by the Portland Natural Gas Transmission System (PNGTS) and Maritimes and Northeast Pipeline L.L.C.

(Maritimes). According to Granite State, PNGTS-Maritimes have been authorized to construct and operate an interconnection with Granite State in the Town of Newington at which point Granite State will receive natural gas deliveries from the jointly owned pipeline. Granite State will receive such deliveries for further transportation on its system, most notably on behalf of, Northern Utilities. Granite State further says that Northern Utilities will be a significant shipper on PNGTS-Maritimes, but will not be directly connected to the jointly owned pipeline facility. Granite State says that the only route by which Northern Utilities can receive gas shipped for its account on PNGTS-Maritimes is via Granite State's authorized interconnections with the jointly owned pipeline.

Granite State further says that it has no existing directly connecting pipeline between the planned and authorized Newington interconnection with PNGTS-Maritimes. However, Granite State says that Northern Utilities has a distribution lateral consisting of 5,324 feet of 8 and 12-inch pipeline (the Gosling Road Lateral) which extends from Granite State's main line to the site of the Newington interconnection. Granite State proposes in its application to acquire and operate the lateral as an integral component of its main transmission system. The acquisition cost will be the depreciated book cost on the date of transfer, which is estimated to be \$372,035.12 on December 31, 1998.

Granite State also says that, in connection with the acquisition, it will abandon the present delivery point to Northern Utilities at the point where the Gosling Road Lateral connects with Granite State's main line and it will establish three delivery points to Northern Utilities at existing points on the lateral where gas now flows into Northern Utilities' local distribution system. Granite State says that no construction of new facilities is required to implement its proposed acquisition and no existing service will be terminated or abandoned.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before November 23, 1998, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the

appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the Protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this application if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that permission and approval for the proposed acquisition are required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Granite State to appear or be represented at the hearing.

David P. Boergers,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

**Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission**

[Project No. 2777]

**Idaho Power Company; Notice of
Authorization for Continued Project
Operation**

November 2, 1998.

On December 20, 1995, Idaho Power Company, licensee for the Upper Salmon Falls Project No. 2777, filed an application for a new or subsequent license pursuant to the Federal Power Act (FPA) and the Commission's regulations thereunder. Project No. 2777 is located on the Snake River in Gooding and Twin Falls Counties, Idaho.

The license for Project No. 2777 was issued for a period ending October 31, 1998. Section 15(a)(1) of the FPA, 16 U.S.C. 808(a)(1), requires the Commission, at the expiration of a license term, to issue from year to year an annual license to the then licensee under the terms and conditions of the