

Action	Date
Notice Application Ready for Environmental Assessment	November 2004.
Notice Availability of EA	February 2005.
Ready for Commission Decision on Application	October 2005.

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

Magalie R. Salas,
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

February 25, 2004.

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

a. *Type of Application:* New major license.

b. *Project No.:* 2692-032.

c. *Date Filed:* February 20, 2004.

d. *Applicant:* Duke Power.

e. *Name of Project:* Nantahala Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Nantahala River and its tributaries, in Macon and Clay Counties, North Carolina. There are 41 acres of USFS managed land (Nantahala National Forest) within the Nantahala Project boundary.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* John C. Wishon, Nantahala Area Relicensing Project Manager, Duke Power, 301 NP&L Loop, Franklin, NC 28734, (828) 369-4604, jcwishon@duke-energy.com.

i. *FERC Contact:* Carolyn Holsopple at (202) 502-6407, or carolyn.holsopple@ferc.gov.

j. *Cooperating Agencies:* 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 environmental document. Agencies who would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing comments described in item (l) below.

k. Pursuant to section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than 60 days from the date of filing of the application, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

l. *Deadline for Filing Additional Study Requests and Requests for Cooperating Agency Status:* April 20, 2004.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The Commission's rules of practice 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 the document on that resource agency.

Additional study requests may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. 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. After logging into the e-Filing system, select "Comment on Filing" from the Filing Type Selection screen and continue with the filing process."

m. *Status:* This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

n. *Description of Project:* The existing Nantahala Project operates in a peaking mode and consists of the following features: (1) A 1,042-foot-long, 250-foot-tall earth and rockfill dam; (2) a spillway for the dam located at the east abutment; (3) a 1,605-acre reservoir, with a normal reservoir elevation of 3,012.2 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum and a storage capacity of 38,336-acre-feet; (4) a reinforced concrete powerhouse containing one generating unit having an installed capacity of 42 megawatts (MW); (5) two diversions (Dicks Creek and Whiteoak Creek) that provide additional flow into the project; and (6) appurtenant facilities.

o. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits in the docket number field (P-2692), to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.

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

p. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the North Carolina 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.

q. *Procedural Schedule and Final Amendments:* The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made if the Commission determines it necessary to do so:

Action	Tentative date
Issue Deficiency Letter and Request Additional Information	March 2004.
Issue Acceptance letter	June 2004.
Issue Scoping Document 1 for comments	July 2004.
Request Additional Information, if necessary	September 2004.
Notice of application is ready for environmental analysis	October 2004.

Action	Tentative date
Notice of the availability of the final EA	April 2005.
Ready for Commission's decision on the application	July 2005.

Unless substantial comments are received in response to the EA, staff intends to prepare a single EA in this

case. If substantial comments are received in response to the EA, a final

EA will be prepared with the following modifications to the schedule.

Action	Tentative date
Notice of the availability of the final EA	July 2005.
Ready for Commission's decision on the application	September 2005.

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

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP04-12-000]

Florida Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Informal Settlement Conference

February 25, 2004.

Take notice that an informal settlement conference will be convened in this proceeding commencing at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 11, 2004, and 9 a.m. on Friday, March 12, 2004, in a room to be designated at a later date, at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, for the purpose of exploring the possible settlement in the above-referenced docket.

Any party, as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(c), or any participant as defined by 18 CFR 385.102(b), is invited to attend. Persons wishing to become a party must move to intervene and receive intervenor status pursuant to the Commission's regulations (18 CFR 385.214).

For additional information, please contact Hollis Alpert at 202-502-8783, hollis.alpert@ferc.gov, or Carmen Gastilo at 202-502-6447, carmen.gastilo@ferc.gov.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OECA-2003-0033; FRL-7630-2]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; NESHAP for Ethylene Oxide Emissions From Sterilization Facilities (40 CFR Part 63, Subpart O) (Renewal), EPA ICR Number 1666.06, OMB Control Number 2060-0283

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, this document announces that an Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. This is a request to renew an existing approved collection. This ICR is scheduled to expire on February 29, 2004. Under OMB regulations, the Agency may continue to conduct or sponsor the collection of information while this submission is pending at OMB. This ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated burden and cost.

DATES: Additional comments may be submitted on or before April 2, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing docket ID number OECA-2003-0033, to (1) EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), by e-mail to docket.oeca@epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Enforcement and Compliance Docket and Information Center, Mail Code 2201T, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460, and (2) OMB at: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gregory Fried, Compliance Assessment and Media Programs Division, Office of Compliance, Mail Code 2223A, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 564-7016; fax number: (202) 564-0050; e-mail address: fried.gregory@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA has submitted the following ICR to OMB for review and approval according to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12. On May 19, 2003 (68 FR 27059), EPA sought comments on this ICR pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.8(d). EPA received no comments, or has addressed the comments received.

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID Number OECA-2003-0033, which is available for public viewing at the Enforcement and Compliance Docket and Information Center in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the Enforcement and Compliance Docket and Information Center is (202) 566-1752. An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA Dockets (EDOCKET) at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>. Use EDOCKET to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the public docket, and to access those documents in the public docket that are available electronically. When in the system, select "search," then key in the docket ID number identified above.

Any comments related to this ICR should be submitted to EPA and OMB within 30 days of this notice. EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public