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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2692-055]

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

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

- a. *Application Type:* Shoreline Management Plan.
 - b. *Project No:* 2692-055.
 - c. *Date Filed:* December 6, 2012.
 - d. *Applicant:* Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC.
 - e. *Name of Project:* Nantahala Hydroelectric Project.
 - f. *Location:* The Franklin Hydroelectric Project is located on the Nantahala River in Clay and Macon counties, North Carolina.
 - g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791a-825r.
 - h. *Applicant Contact:* Dennis Whitaker, Duke Energy—Lake Services, 526 S. Church St., Charlotte, NC, 28202, (704) 382-1594.
 - i. *FERC Contact:* Mark Carter at (678) 245-3083, or email: mark.carter@ferc.gov.
 - j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests:* July 24, 2013.
- All documents may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. Although the

Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please include the project number (P-2692-055) on any comments, motions, or recommendations filed.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears 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. *Description of Request:* As required by article 408 of the February 8, 2012 license, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC requests Commission approval of a proposed shoreline management plan (SMP) for the project. The SMP defines shoreline management classifications for the reservoir shoreline within the project boundary, identifies allowable and prohibited uses within the shoreline areas, and describes the shoreline use permitting process.

l. *Locations of the Application:* 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 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also 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. 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, call 1-866-208-3676 or email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. *Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene:* Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the

requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214, respectively. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

o. *Filing and Service of Documents:* Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person commenting, protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis. Any filing made by an intervenor must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2010.

Dated: June 24, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. NJ13-10-000]

United States Department of Energy; Bonneville Power Administration; Notice of Petition for Declaratory Order

Take notice that on June 19, 2013, pursuant to sections 35.28(e) and 385.207 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 35.28(e) and 18 CFR 385.207, the Bonneville Power Administration (Bonneville), submitted certain amendments to its Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) and a Petition for Declaratory Order requesting the Commission find that Bonneville's OATT, as amended by this filing, substantially conform or is superior to the *pro forma* OATT as it

has been amended by Order Nos. 1000, 1000-A, and 1000-B.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 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 notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Comment Date: 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on August 5, 2013.

Dated: June 24, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Southwestern Power Administration

Integrated System Power Rates

AGENCY: Southwestern Power Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of public review and comment.

SUMMARY: The Administrator, Southwestern Power Administration (Southwestern), has prepared Current and Revised 2013 Power Repayment Studies which show the need for an increase in annual revenues to meet cost

recovery criteria. Such increased revenues are needed primarily to cover the increased costs associated with increased operations and maintenance and increases to investments and replacements in the hydroelectric generating facilities. The Administrator of Southwestern has developed proposed Integrated System rates, which are supported by the rate design study, to recover the required revenues. The Revised 2013 Study indicates that the proposed rates would increase annual system revenues approximately 4.7 percent from \$184,059,100 to \$192,765,802 effective October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2017.

DATES: The consultation and comment period will begin on the date of publication of this **Federal Register** notice and will end on August 30, 2013. If requested, a combined Public Information and Comment Forum (Forum) will be held in Tulsa, Oklahoma at 9:00 a.m. on July 11, 2013. If requested, persons desiring the Forum to be held should indicate in writing to the Southwestern Vice President, Chief Operating Officer (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) by letter, email, or facsimile transmission (918-595-6656) by July 8, 2013, their request for such Forum. If no request is received, no such Forum will be held.

ADDRESSES: If requested, the Forum will be held in Southwestern's offices, Room 1460, Williams Center Tower I, One West Third Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. James K. McDonald, Vice President, Chief Operating Officer, Office of Corporate Operations, Southwestern Power Administration, U.S. Department of Energy, One West Third Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103, (918) 595-6690, jim.mcdonald@swpa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Originally established by Secretarial Order No. 1865 dated August 31, 1943, Southwestern is an agency within the U.S. Department of Energy created by the Department of Energy Organization Act, Public Law 95-91, dated August 4, 1977. Guidelines for preparation of power repayment studies are included in DOE Order No. RA 6120.2 entitled Power Marketing Administration Financial Reporting. Procedures for public participation in power and transmission rate adjustments of the Power Marketing Administrations are found at title 10, part 903, subpart A of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR 903). Procedures for the confirmation and approval of rates for the Federal Power Marketing Administrations are

found at title 18, part 300, subpart L of the Code of Federal Regulations (18 CFR 300).

Southwestern markets power from 24 multi-purpose reservoir projects with hydroelectric power facilities constructed and operated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps). These projects are located in the states of Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas. Southwestern's marketing area includes these states plus Kansas and Louisiana. The costs associated with the hydropower facilities of 22 of the 24 projects are repaid via revenues received under the Integrated System rates, as are those of Southwestern's transmission facilities, which consist of 1,380 miles of high-voltage transmission lines, 25 substations, and 46 microwave and VHF radio sites. Costs associated with the Sam Rayburn and Robert D. Willis Dams, two Corps projects that are isolated hydraulically, electrically, and financially from the Integrated System, are repaid under separate rate schedules and are not addressed in this notice.

Following Department of Energy guidelines, the Administrator of Southwestern, prepared the Current Power Repayment Study using existing system rates.¹ This study indicates that Southwestern's legal requirement to repay the investment in power generating and transmission facilities for power and energy marketed by Southwestern will not be met without an increase in revenues. The need for increased revenues is primarily due to increased costs associated with operations and maintenance and increased investments and replacements in hydroelectric generating facilities for the Corps and Southwestern's transmission system. The Revised Power Repayment Study shows that additional annual revenues of \$8,706,702 (a 4.7 percent increase) are needed to satisfy repayment criteria.

The Rate Design Study which allocates the revenue requirement to the various system rate schedules for recovery and provides for transmission service rates in general conformance with FERC Order No. 888 has also been completed.² The proposed new rates

¹ FERC, on March 5, 2012, confirmed and approved the existing Integrated System rate schedules for the period January 1, 2012 through September 30, 2015. See 138 FERC ¶ 62,199.

² *Promoting Wholesale Competition Through Open Access Non-discriminatory Transmission Services by Public Utilities; Recovery of Stranded Costs by Public Utilities and Transmitting Utilities*, Order No. 888, 61 FR 21,540 (5/10/1996), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,036 (1996), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 888-A, 62 FR 12,274 (3/14/1997), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,048 (1997), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 888-B, 81 FERC ¶ 61,248 (1997), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 888-C, 82 FERC ¶ 61,046 (1998), *aff'd*