

proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commentors will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commentors will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commentors will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, 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 7 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Comment Date: March 10, 2017.

Dated: February 17, 2017.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP16-498-000; PF16-4-000]

Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC; Notice of Revised Schedule for Environmental Review of the B-System Project

This notice identifies the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission staff's revised schedule for the completion of the environmental assessment (EA) for Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC's (Columbia) B-System Project. The original notice of schedule, issued on December 20, 2016, identified March 13, 2017 as the EA issuance date. Due to updated B-System Project information filed by Columbia on February 7, 2017, staff has revised the schedule for issuance of the EA.

Schedule for Environmental Review

Issuance of EA—April 28, 2017

90-day Federal Authorization Decision
Deadline—July 27, 2017

If a schedule change becomes necessary, an additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies are kept informed of the project's progress.

Additional Information

In order to receive notification of the issuance of the EA and to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription (<http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp>). Additional information about the project may be obtained by contacting the Environmental Project Manager, Kenneth Warn, by telephone at 202-502-6859 or by electronic mail at kenneth.warn@ferc.gov.

Dated: February 16, 2017.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 7656-013]

John A. Dodson; Village of Highland Falls High-Point Utility, LDC; Notice of Application for Transfer of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

On August 11, 2016, and supplemented on November 28, 2016 and January 24, 2017, Mr. John A. Dodson (transferor) and the Village of Highland Falls High-Point Utility, LDC (transferee) filed an application to transfer the license for the Buttermilk Falls Hydroelectric Project No. 7656. The project is located on Buttermilk Falls Brook in Orange County, New York.

The above parties seek Commission approval to transfer the license for the project from the transferor to the transferee.

Applicants' Contact: For Transferor: Mr. John A. Dodson, 27 Webb Lane, Highland Falls, NY 10928, Phone: (914) 446-7704, Email: thayerenergy@gmail.com. For Transferee: Mr. William J. Florence, Jr., Village of Highland Falls High-Point Utility, LDC, 303 Main Street, Highland Falls, NY 10928, Phone: (914) 737-7001, Email: williamflorence@mac.com.

FERC Contact: Ashish Desai, (202) 502-8370, Ashish.Desai@ferc.gov.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests: 30 days from the issuance date of this notice by the Commission. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, and protests using the Commission's eFiling system 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, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-7656-013.

Dated: February 16, 2017.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #2

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER17-976-000.

Applicants: Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Attachment AQ Revisions Addressing Non-Material Delivery Point Changes to be effective 4/17/2017.

Filed Date: 2/16/17.

Accession Number: 20170216-5074.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/9/17.

Docket Numbers: ER17-977-000.

Applicants: Southern California Edison Company.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: GIA & DSA Oak Creek I Project SA Nos. 948-949 to be effective 2/1/2017.

Filed Date: 2/16/17.

Accession Number: 20170216-5078.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/9/17.

Docket Numbers: ER17-978-000.

Applicants: Southern California Edison Company.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: GIA & DSA Oak Creek II Project SA Nos. 946-947 to be effective 2/1/2017.

Filed Date: 2/16/17.

Accession Number: 20170216-5079.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/9/17.

Docket Numbers: ER17-979-000.

Applicants: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Original ISA SA No. 4618, Queue Position AB1-150 to be effective 1/17/2017.

Filed Date: 2/16/17.

Accession Number: 20170216-5118.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/9/17.

Docket Numbers: ER17-980-000.

Applicants: Alliant Energy Corporate Services, Inc.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: AECS Updated Rate Schedule 2 to be effective 4/17/2017.

Filed Date: 2/16/17.

Accession Number: 20170216-5126.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/9/17.

Docket Numbers: ER17-981-000.

Applicants: PacifiCorp.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: WAPA NITSA Rev 5 to be effective 2/1/2017.

Filed Date: 2/16/17.

Accession Number: 20170216-5145.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/9/17.

Docket Numbers: ER17-982-000.

Applicants: PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.

Description: § 205(d) Rate Filing: Amendment to Service Agreement Nos. 3086 and 4118, Queue No. M24 to Sch. B, C, F to be effective 2/14/2017.

Filed Date: 2/16/17.

Accession Number: 20170216-5160.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. ET 3/9/17.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the links or querying the docket number.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf>. For other information, call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Dated: February 16, 2017.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14824-000]

Merchant Hydro Developers, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On January 18, 2017, Merchant Hydro Developers, LLC, filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Girard Estate Pumped Storage Hydro Project to be located near Zerbe Township in Northumberland County, Pennsylvania. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform

any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed project would consist of the following: (1) A new upper reservoir with a surface area of 90 acres and a storage capacity of 1,350 acre-feet at a surface elevation of approximately 1,400 feet above mean sea level (msl) created through construction of a new roller-compacted concrete or rock-filled dam; (2) a new lower reservoir, including an existing abandoned mine pit, with a surface area of 25 acres and a storage capacity of 1,620 acre-feet at a surface elevation of 1,000 feet msl; (3) a new 2,242-foot-long, 48-inch-diameter penstock connecting the upper and lower reservoirs; (4) a new 150-foot-long, 50-foot-wide, 25-foot-high powerhouse containing two turbine-generator units with a total rated capacity of 44 megawatts; (5) a new 10,000-foot-long transmission line connecting the powerhouse to the Sunbury-Eldred-Frackville 230-kilovolt circuit owned by PPL Corporation; and (6) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an annual generation of 161,587 megawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Adam Rousselle, Merchant Hydro Developers, LLC, 5710 Oak Crest Drive, Doylestown, PA 18902; phone: 267-254-6107.

FERC Contact: Woohee Choi; phone: (202) 502-6336.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission's eFiling system 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, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-14824-000.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can