

proposed route and route alternatives, crossing portions of Illinois, Indiana, and Michigan, will be inspected by helicopter and automobile.

The current itinerary is to conduct a ground and aerial inspection between Joliet, Illinois, and Valparaiso, Indiana on April 19; a ground and aerial inspection between Valparaiso, Indiana and White Pigeon, Michigan and April 20; a ground and aerial inspection in Oakland County and Macomb County, Michigan on April 21, and a ground inspection in Macomb County, Michigan on April 22. If weather conditions preclude an overflight, the inspection will be conducted by automobile only from a location to be determined. Representatives of TriState will accompany the OPR staff.

All parties may attend, although those planing to attend must provide their own transportation.

For further information, please contact Paul McKee of the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (202) 208-1088.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2146-083 Alabama]

Alabama Power Company; Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment

March 26, 1999.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission's) regulations, the Office of Hydropower Licensing has reviewed the application for the proposed Amendment of License for the Coosa River Project, located in Talladega County, Alabama, and has prepared a Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for the proposed action.

In the DEA, the Commission's staff has analyzed the potential environmental impacts of The Utilities Board of the City of Sylacauga, Alabama (Board) constructing and operating a raw water intake and pumping station on Lay Reservoir. The staff has concluded that, given the mitigative measures proposed by the Board, approval of the action would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The EA was written by staff in the office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Copies of the EA can be viewed at the Commission's Reference and Information Center, Room 2A, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. The DEA may be viewed on the Web at www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm. Call (202) 208-2222 for assistance.

Any comments should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice and should be addressed to Dave Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. Please Affix "Coosa River Project Amendment of License, Project No. 2146-083" to all comments. For further information, please contact Jim Haimes at (202) 219 2780

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Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Extension of Time To File Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Prescriptions for License Application

March 26, 1999.

Take notice that the time limit for filing comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions for the following hydroelectric license application has been extended from March 26, 1999 to May 26, 1999. The extension was requested by the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation to continue pursuing consensus of all the parties on measures needed to protect the environment, and no party has objected to a 60-day extension:

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 2731-020.

c. *Date Filed:* May 27, 1998.

d. *Applicant:* Central Vermont Public Service Corporation.

e. *Name of Project:* Weybridge Project.

f. *Location:* On Otter Creek, at river mile 19.5 from the confluence with Lake Champlain, in Addison County, Vermont. There are no federal lands located within the project area.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. John C. Greenan, P.E., Central Vermont Public Service Corporation, 77 Grove Street,

Rutland, Vermont 05701, (802) 747-5707.

i. *FERC Contact:* Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Jack Duckworth, E-mail address, jack.duckworth@ferc.fed.us, or telephone (202) 219-2818.

j. *Deadline for comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions:* May 26, 1999.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

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. *Status of environmental analysis:* This application has been accepted for filing and is ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. *Description of the Project:* The project consists of the following existing facilities: (1) a 30-foot-high, 302.6-foot-long concrete gravity dam consisting of two spillway sections, a 150-ft-long west spillway section, topped with a 6-foot-high hinged steel flashboard, and abutted by a 20-foot-wide and 10-foot-high Taintor gate, and a 116-foot-long east spillway section topped with an automatically inflated rubber weir; (2) a 1.5-mile-long, 62-acre impoundment with a normal water surface elevation of 174.3 feet above mean sea level (msl); (3) a powerhouse integral with the dam containing a single turbine generator with an installed capacity of 3,000 kilowatts (kW); (4) transmission facilities; and (5) appurtenant facilities.

m. *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) 208-1371. The application may be viewed on the web at www.ferc.fed.us. Call (202) 208-2222 for assistance. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address shown in item h.

n. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraph:* D10.

D10. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—The application is ready for environmental analysis at this time,

and the Commission is requesting comments, reply comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions.

The Commission directs, pursuant to section 4.34(b) of the Regulations (see Order No. 533 issued May 8, 1991, 56 FR 23108, May 20, 1991) that all comments, recommendations, terms and conditions and prescriptions concerning the application be filed with the Commission within 60 days from the issuance date of this notice. All reply comments must be filed with the Commission within 105 days from the date of this notice.

Anyone may obtain an extension of time for these deadlines from the Commission only upon a showing of good cause or extraordinary circumstances in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2008.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "REPLY COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRESCRIPTIONS;" (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 submitting the filing; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies required by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Project Review, Office of Hydropower Licensing, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. Each filing must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed on the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b), and 385.2010.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Surrender of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

March 26, 1999.

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

a. *Application Type:* Surrender of License.

b. *Project No:* 2585-002.

c. *Date Filed:* January 4, 1999.

d. *Applicant:* Northbrook Carolina Hydro, LLC.

e. *Name of Project:* Idols.

f. *Location:* On the Yadkin River, in Forsyth County, North Carolina near the City of Winston-Salem. The project does not utilize federal or tribal lands.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR § 4.200.

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Mark Sunquist, Northbrook Carolina Hydro, LLC, 225 W. Wacker Drive, Suite 2330, Chicago, IL 60606, (312) 553-2136.

i. *FERC Contact:* Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Tom Papsidero at (202) 291-2715, or e-mail address: Thomas.Papsidero@ferc.fed.us.

j. *Deadline for filing comments and/or motions:* May 6, 1999.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Mail Code: DLC, HL-11.1, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Please include the project number (2585-002) on any comments or motions filed.

k. *Description of Surrender:* Northbrook Carolina Hydro, LLC, a corporation, requests to surrender the license for this constructed project for economic reasons following a fire in the project powerhouse on February 8, 1998.

1. *Location 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) 208-1371. This filing may be viewed on <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call (202) 208-2222 for assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

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

n. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs: B, C1, D2.*

B. 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. 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.

C1. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTESTS", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC, 20426. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

D2. Agency Comments—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

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Acting Secretary.

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