

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission

[Project No. 7387-019]

**Erie Boulevard Hydropower, L.P.;
Notice of Application Tendered for
Filing With the Commission, Soliciting
Additional Study Requests, and
Establishing Procedural Schedule for
Relicensing and a Deadline for
Submission of Final Amendments**

October 24, 2003.

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

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

b. *Project No.:* 7387-019.

c. *Date filed:* October 20, 2003.

d. *Applicant:* Erie Boulevard Hydropower, L.P.

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

f. *Location:* On the Raquette River, in St. Lawrence and Franklin Counties, New York.

The project does not occupy federal lands.

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

h. *Applicant Contacts:* Mr. Jerry L. Sabattis, P.E., Licensing Coordinator, Erie Boulevard Hydropower, L.P., 225 Greenfield Parkway, Liverpool, New York, 13088, telephone (315) 413-2787 and Mr. Samuel S. Hirschey, P.E., Manager, Licensing, Compliance, and Project Properties, 225 Greenfield Parkway, Liverpool, New York, 13088, telephone (315) 413-2790.

i. *FERC Contact:* Janet Hutzell, janet.hutzel@ferc.gov (202) 502-8675.

j. *Cooperating Agencies:* We are asking Federal, state, and local agencies and Indian tribes 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 k 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 factual basis for 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 after the application filing date and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

l. *Deadline for filing additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status:* December 19, 2003.

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 intervenors 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 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.

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.

m. The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

n. *Project Description:* The Piercefield Hydroelectric Project consists of the following existing facilities: (a) A dam comprising of a 495-foot-long concrete retaining wall/dike on the right shoreline, a 620-foot-long concrete and masonry stone retaining wall located along the left shoreline, a 118-foot-long stop log spillway, and a 294-foot-long, 22-foot-high ogee spillway section; (b) a 110-foot-long concrete masonry forebay, having a varying width of 40 feet to 55 feet with an average depth of 17 feet; (c) a reservoir having a surface area of 370 acres at normal pool elevation of 1542.0 feet m.s.l.; (d) a powerhouse containing 3 generating units having a total rated capacity of 2,700 kW; (e) 600-V and 2.4-kV generator leads; (f) 600-V/46-kV, 2.5-MVA and the 2.4/46-kV, 2.5-MVA three-phase transformer banks; (g) 3.84-mile, 46-kV transmission line; and (h) appurtenant facilities.

o. A copy of the application is on file with the Commission and is available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link—select "Docket #" and follow the instructions. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676 or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

p. 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. To view upcoming FERC events, go to www.ferc.gov and click on "View Entire Calendar".

With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the *New York 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, at 800.4.

r. *Procedural schedule and final amendments:* The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Acceptance or Deficiency Letter—February 2004

Issue Scoping Document for comments—May 2004

Notice of Application is Ready for Environmental Analysis—September 2004

Notice of the availability of the EA—February 2005

Ready for Commission's decision on the application—June 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.

Notice of the availability of the final EA—June 2005

Ready for Commission's decision on the application—August 2005

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

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
AGENCY**

[RCRA-1997-0019; FRL-7581-7]

**Agency Information Collection
Activities: Proposed Collection;
Comment Request; Exports From and
Imports to the United States Under
International and Bilateral Waste
Agreements, EPA ICR Number 1647.04,
OMB Control Number 2050-0143**

AGENCY: Environmental Protection
Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit a continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). This is a request to an existing approved collection. This ICR is scheduled to expire on April 30, 2004. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before December 30, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing docket ID number RCRA-1997-0019, to EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), by e-mail to RCRA-docket@epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, OSWER Docket, mail code 5305T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Kent, Office of Solid Waste, 5304W, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: 703-308-0461; fax number: 703-308-0514; e-mail address: Kent.Jim@EPAMAIL.EPA.GOV.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID number RCRA-1997-0019, which is available for public viewing at the OSWER Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., 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 OSWER Docket is (202) 566-0270. An electronic version of the public docket is available through EPA Dockets (EDOCKET) at <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>. Use EDOCKET to obtain a copy of the draft collection of information, 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. Once 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 within 60 days of this notice. EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing in

EDOCKET as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, CBI, or other information whose public disclosure is restricted by statute. When EPA identifies a comment containing copyrighted material, EPA will provide a reference to that material in the version of the comment that is placed in EDOCKET. The entire printed comment, including the copyrighted material, will be available in the public docket. Although identified as an item in the official docket, information claimed as CBI, or whose disclosure is otherwise restricted by statute, is not included in the official public docket, and will not be available for public viewing in EDOCKET. For further information about the electronic docket, see EPA's **Federal Register** notice describing the electronic docket at 67 FR 38102 (May 31, 2002), or go to <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>.

Affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are those which export hazardous waste from or import hazardous waste to the U.S.

Title: Exports from and Imports to the United States Under International and Bilateral Waste Agreements, EPA ICR No. 1647.04, expiring on 04/30/04.

Abstract: Authority to promulgate this rule is found in sections 2002(a) and 3017(a)(2) and (f) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, and as amended by the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments, 42 U.S.C. 6901 *et seq.* The Organization for Economic (OECD) Decision C(92)39 is considered legally binding on the United States under Articles 5(a) and 6(2) of the OECD Convention, 12 U.S.T. 1728. In addition, the OECD Decision and EPA's rule implementing the OECD Decision, 40 CFR part 262, subpart H (61 FR 16290-16316, April 12, 1996) impose requirements on U.S. exporters and importers of hazardous waste for recovery to and from OECD member countries. EPA also imposes requirements on U.S. exports and imports of hazardous waste to and from other countries at 40 CFR part 262, subpart E for exports and at subpart F for imports (51 FR 28664, August 8, 1986). The Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, U.S. EPA uses the information provided by each U.S. exporter and U.S. importer to determine compliance with the applicable RCRA regulatory provisions. In addition, the information will be used to determine the number, origin, destination, and type of exports from and imports to the U.S. for tracking purposes and for reporting to the OECD. This information

also will be used to assess the efficiency of the program.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations in 40 CFR are listed in 40 CFR part 9.

The EPA would like to solicit comments to:

(i) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

Burden Statement: The annual U.S. exporter burden for this collection is estimated to average 10.23 hours per exporter. The annual U.S. importer burden for this collection is estimated to average 1.3 hours per importer. This amounts to a total annual cost of \$441,360 for exporters and \$38,582 for importers. These estimates represent the burden associated with the RCRA export and import requirements. Calculation of these estimates is based on the following numbers:

Exporters: 816.

Importers: 746.

Annual Export Shipments: 25,000.

Annual Import Shipments: 2,984.

The number of export notifications is equal to the number of exporters (816) and the number (and frequency per year) of tracking documents corresponds to the number of annual export and import shipments (25,000 and 2,984, respectively). These estimates take into account all aspects of the information collection, including the time necessary for new entrants to obtain and read the regulations and assess their applicability; time to complete a notification of intent to export; time to complete a tracking document and to transmit copies of the tracking document. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or

for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Dated: October 23, 2003.

Robert Springer,

Director, Office of Solid Waste.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OAR-2003-0078, FRL-7581-5]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Landfill Methane Outreach Program, EPA ICR Number 1849.02, OMB Control Number 2060-0446

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), 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 October 31, 2003. 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 December 1, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing docket ID number OAR-2003-0078, to (1) EPA online using EDOCKET (our preferred method), by e-mail to a-and-r-docket@epamail.epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), Environmental Protection Agency, Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center, Mail Code 6102T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., 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:

Brian Guzzone, Climate Protection Partnerships Division, Office of Atmospheric Programs, (Mail Code 6202J), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 343-9248; fax number: (202) 565-2079; e-mail address: guzzone.brian@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 June 18, 2003 (68 FR 36546), EPA sought comments on this ICR pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.8(d). Three comments were received and addressed by EPA in the ICR.

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under OAR-2003-0078, which is available for public viewing at the Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room B102, 1301 Constitution Ave., 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 Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center is (202) 566-1742. 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. Once 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 viewing in EDOCKET as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, CBI, or other information whose public disclosure is restricted by statute. When EPA identifies a comment containing copyrighted material, EPA will provide a reference to that material in the version of the comment that is placed in EDOCKET. The entire printed comment, including the copyrighted material, will

be available in the public docket. Although identified as an item in the official docket, information claimed as CBI, or whose disclosure is otherwise restricted by statute, is not included in the official public docket, and will not be available for public viewing in EDOCKET. For further information about the electronic docket, see EPA's **Federal Register** notice describing the electronic docket at 67 FR 38102 (May 31, 2002), or go to <http://www.epa.gov/edocket>.

Title: Landfill Methane Outreach Program.

Abstract: The Landfill Methane Outreach Program (LMOP) is an EPA-sponsored voluntary program that encourages landfill owners, communities, and project developers to reduce emissions of methane, a potent greenhouse gas, by implementing landfill gas technologies that collect and utilize the methane as a source of energy. The Landfill Methane Outreach Program further encourages utilities and other energy customers to support and promote the use of landfill methane at their facilities. The Landfill Methane Outreach Program signs voluntary Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) with these organizations to enlist their support in promoting cost-effective landfill gas utilization. The information collection includes completion and submission of the MOU, and annual online completion and submission of information forms that include basic information on the organizations that sign the MOU and landfill methane projects in which they are involved. The information collection is to be utilized to maintain up-to-date data and information about Landfill Methane Outreach Program partners and landfill methane projects in which they are involved. In addition, the information collection will assist LMOP to evaluate the reduction of methane emissions from landfills.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR chapter 15.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3.5 hours per response. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes