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More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-14523) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14509-000]

#### FFP Project 123, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Competing Applications

On April 2, 2013, FFP Project 123, 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 a hydropower project to be located at the US Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) Amory Lock & Dam on the Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway near the town of Amory in Monroe County, Mississippi. 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 100-foot-long, 60-foot-wide forebay; (2) a 60-foot-long, 70-foot-wide powerhouse containing one generating unit with a total capacity of 1.5 megawatts; (3) a 700-foot-long, 60-

foot-wide tailrace with a 300-foot-long retaining wall; (4) a 4.16/36.7 kilo-Volt (kV) substation; and (5) a 1.0-mile-long, 36.7kV transmission line. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of 7,100 megawatt-hours, and operate as directed by the Corps.

**Applicant Contact:** Mr. Daniel Lissner, Free Flow Power Corporation, 239 Causeway Street, Suite 300, Boston, MA 02114. (978) 283-2822

**FERC Contact:** Christiane Casey, [christiane.casey@ferc.gov](mailto:christiane.casey@ferc.gov), (202) 502-8577.

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. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site <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](mailto: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 five copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-14509) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP13-512-000]

#### Florida Gas Transmission Company, LLC; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

Take notice that on July 1, 2013, Florida Gas Transmission Company, LLC (Florida Gas), 1300 Main St., Houston, Texas 77002, filed a prior notice request pursuant to sections 157.205, 157.211, and 157.216 of the Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) for authorization to abandon by sale the Riviera Facilities, FPU Riviera Meter and Regulator Station, and appurtenances; install temporary related connection piping and regulator facilities; and install a new interconnection with Electronic Flow Measurement, all located in Palm Beach County, Florida. Florida Gas' prior notice request is more fully set forth in the application, which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection under Docket No. CP13-512-000. The filing may also be viewed on the Web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call toll-free, (866) 208-3676 or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

Any questions regarding the application should be directed to Stephen Veatch, Senior Director of Certificates & Tariffs, Florida Gas Transmission Company, LLC, 1300 Main St., Houston, Texas 77002, by telephone at (713) 989-2024, by fax at (713) 989-1205, or by email at [stephen.veatch@energytransfer.com](mailto:stephen.veatch@energytransfer.com).

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the

completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

Any person may, within 60 days after the issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention. Any person filing to intervene or the Commission's staff may, pursuant to section 157.205 of the Commission's regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205) file a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to section 7 of the NGA.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests, and interventions via the internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)) under the "e-Filing" link. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and five (5) copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9836-7]

### California State Motor Vehicle Pollution Control Standards; Urban Buses; Request for Waiver of Preemption; Notice of Decision

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice of Decision.

**SUMMARY:** EPA is granting the California Air Resources Board (CARB) its request for a waiver of preemption for emission standards and related test procedures contained in its urban bus regulations as they affect the 2002 and later model years. Urban buses are conventionally powered by a heavy-duty diesel engine that falls within the heavy-duty vehicle classification of greater than 33,000

pounds gross vehicle weight, and are intended primarily for intra-city operation, i.e., within the confines of a city or greater metropolitan area.

**DATES:** Petitions for review must be filed by September 23, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** EPA has established a docket for this action under Docket ID EPA-HQ-OAR-2012-0745. All documents relied upon in making this decision, including those submitted to EPA by CARB, are contained in the public docket. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically through [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or in hard copy at the Air and Radiation Docket in the EPA Headquarters Library, EPA West Building, Room 3334, located at 1301 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC. The Public Reading Room is open to the public on all federal government working days from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; generally, it is open Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. The telephone number for the Reading Room is (202) 566-1744. The Air and Radiation Docket and Information Center's Web site is <http://www.epa.gov/oar/docket.html>. The electronic mail (email) address for the Air and Radiation Docket is: [a-and-r-Docket@epa.gov](mailto:a-and-r-Docket@epa.gov), the telephone number is (202) 566-1742, and the fax number is (202) 566-9744. An electronic version of the public docket is available through the federal government's electronic public docket and comment system. You may access EPA dockets at <http://www.regulations.gov>. After opening the [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) Web site, enter EPA-HQ-OAR-2012-0745 in the "Enter Keyword or ID" fill-in box to view documents in the record. Although a part of the official docket, the public docket does not include Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

EPA's Office of Transportation and Air Quality (OTAQ) maintains a Web page that contains general information on its review of California waiver requests. Included on that page are links to prior waiver **Federal Register** notices, some of which are cited in today's notice; the page can be accessed at <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/cafr.htm>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brenton M. Williams, Attorney-Advisor, Compliance Division, Office of Transportation and Air Quality, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2000 Traverwood Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48105. Telephone: (734) 214-4341. Fax: (734) 214-4053. Email: [williams.brent@epa.gov](mailto:williams.brent@epa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## I. Background

### A. Chronology

By letter dated November 16, 2009, CARB submitted to EPA its request for a waiver of preemption pursuant to section 209(b) of the Clean Air Act (CAA or the Act), for its urban bus regulations.<sup>1</sup> California's urban bus regulations principally set requirements for California's public transit agencies that operate urban buses and other transit vehicles; additionally, the rulemakings set emission standards for new urban bus engines. CARB formally adopted these urban bus regulations during five separate rulemakings that took place between 2000 and 2005: a 2000 rulemaking, a 2002 rulemaking, a 2004 rulemaking, a February 2005 rulemaking, and an October 2005 rulemaking. Collectively, the five rulemakings elevated the stringency of exhaust emission standards and test procedures for heavy-duty urban bus engines and vehicles. The 2000 rulemaking included more stringent particulate matter ("PM") emission standards for diesel-fueled urban bus engines through the 2006 model year; more stringent mandatory and optional nitrogen oxides ("NO<sub>x</sub>") and non-methane hydrocarbon ("NMHC") standards for diesel-fueled urban bus engines through the 2003 model year; more stringent optional combined NMHC+ NO<sub>x</sub> and PM standards for alternatively-fueled urban bus engines through the 2006 model year; more stringent primary emission standards for diesel-fueled urban buses through the 2006 model year; tightening of exhaust emission standards for 2007 and later model year heavy-duty urban diesel engines; and adoption of urban bus test procedures and label specifications. The 2000 rulemaking was formally adopted by CARB on November 22, 2000 and May 29, 2001,<sup>2</sup> and became operative under California law on January 23, 2001 and May 29, 2001, respectively.<sup>3</sup> The 2002 rulemaking allowed for an optional NMHC+ NO<sub>x</sub> standard for 2004-2006 model year diesel-fueled urban bus engines when used in exempted transit fleets with commitments to demonstrate advanced NO<sub>x</sub> after-treatment technology, and

<sup>1</sup> CARB, "Request for Waiver Action Pursuant to Clean Air Act Section 209(b) for California's Urban Bus Emission Standards," EPA-HQ-OAR-2012-0745-0004, (November 16, 2009).

<sup>2</sup> CARB, "Resolution 00-2," February 24, 2000; CARB, "Executive Order G-00-060," (November 22, 2000); CARB, "Executive Order G-01-010," (May 29, 2001).

<sup>3</sup> CARB, "Secretary of State Face Sheet and Final Regulation Order," effective January 23, 2001; CARB, "Secretary of State Face Sheet and Final Regulation Order," effective May 29, 2001.