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Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14851–001]

White Pine Waterpower, LLC; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, and Approving Use of The Traditional Licensing Process

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File License Application and Request to Use the Traditional Licensing Process.

b. *Project No.:* 14851–001.

c. *Date Filed:* May 15, 2020.

d. *Submitted By:* White Pine Waterpower, LLC.

e. *Name of Project:* White Pine Pumped Storage Project.

f. *Location:* About 8 miles northeast of the city of Ely, in White Pine County, Nevada. The project would occupy approximately 916.33 acres of Bureau of Land Management land.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR 5.3 of the Commission's regulations.

h. *Applicant Contact:* Matthew Shapiro, Chief Executive Officer, White Pine Waterpower, LLC, c/o rPlus Energies, 800 W. Main St., Ste. 1220, Boise, ID 83702; (208) 246–9925; mshapiro@gridflexenergy.com.

i. *FERC Contact:* Shannon Boyle at (202) 502–8417 or shannon.boyle@ferc.gov.

j. White Pine Waterpower, LLC (White Pine) filed its request to use the Traditional Licensing Process on May 15, 2020. White Pine provided public notice of its request on May 15, 2020. In a letter dated July 13, 2020, the Director of the Division of Hydropower Licensing approved White Pine's request to use the Traditional Licensing Process.

k. With this notice, we are designating White Pine Waterpower, LLC as the Commission's non-federal representative for carrying out informal consultation, pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, and section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

l. White Pine filed a Pre-Application Document (PAD; including a proposed process plan and schedule) with the Commission, pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.

m. A copy of the PAD may be viewed on the Commission's website (<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. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to the Commission's Public Reference Room, due to the proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID–19), issued by the President on March 13, 2020. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCONlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208–3676 (toll free), or (202) 502–8659 (TTY).

n. The applicant states its unequivocal intent to submit an application for an original license for Project No. 14851–001.

o. Register online at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/eSubscription.aspx> to be notified via email of new filing and issuances related to this or other pending projects. 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

[Docket No. CP19–193–000]

Columbia Gulf Transmission, LLC; Notice of Request for Extension of Time

Take notice that on July 7, 2020, Columbia Gulf Transmission, LLC (Columbia Gulf) requested that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) grant an extension of time, until November 15, 2021, in order to place the replacement facilities of the Mainline 100 and Mainline 200 Replacement Project (Project) into service, in Menifee and Montgomery Counties, Kentucky, as authorized as part of Columbia Gulf's Project in the November 15, 2019 Order Granting Certificate and Approving Abandonment¹ (November 15 Order). The November 15 Order required Columbia Gulf to complete construction and make the facilities available for service within one year of the order date. Columbia Gulf states that, due to increased population density in the area along certain discrete sections of Mainline 100 and Mainline 200,

Columbia Gulf is required, pursuant to Part 192 of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations,² to remediate the pipelines to allow continued operation at the current maximum allowable operating pressures (MAOP). Columbia Gulf states that, as provided by 49 CFR 190.341 Special Permit, an operator of a pipeline may submit an application for a special permit, and provided that certain conditions are met, the DOT may waive compliance from the regulations for specific natural gas transmission pipeline segments. If granted, the special permit allows the operator to continue to operate each special permit segment at its current MAOP without first performing remediation work.

Columbia Gulf states that, on October 15, 2019, Columbia Gulf applied for a special permit under the circumstances that the class location changed due to development usage of land near the pipeline. Columbia Gulf anticipates that a determination from DOT on its special permit application may not be received until after the November 15, 2020 in-service deadline stipulated in the November 15 Order. If the Commission grants Columbia Gulf's request for an extension of time, Columbia would take one of the following actions based on whether it receives a special permit from DOT. If Columbia Gulf received the special permit, Columbia Gulf would submit a motion to vacate the authorization granted in the November 15 Order. If Columbia Gulf doesn't obtain the special permit, Columbia Gulf would notify the Commission of its intent to begin construction of the Project and submit a revision to its Implementation Plan reflecting an updated construction schedule.

This notice establishes a 15-calendar day intervention and comment period deadline. Any person wishing to comment on Columbia Gulf's request for an extension of time may do so. No reply comments or answers will be considered. If you wish to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this request, you should, on or before the comment date stated below, file a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10).³

As a matter of practice, the Commission itself generally acts on

² 49 CFR 192.611 (2020).

³ Only motions to intervene from entities that were party to the underlying proceeding will be accepted. *Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC*, 170 FERC ¶ 61,144, at P 39 (2020).

¹ *Columbia Gulf Transmission, LLC*, 169 FERC ¶ 62,084 (2019).