

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission

[Docket Nos. CP12–19–000; CP12–20–000]

Dominion Transmission Inc.; Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Tioga Area Expansion and Sabinsville to Morrisville Projects

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) for the Tioga Area Expansion and Sabinsville to Morrisville Projects, proposed by Dominion Transmission Inc. (DTI) in the above-referenced dockets. DTI requests authorization to construct and operate natural gas pipelines and aboveground facilities in Pennsylvania and New York.

The EA assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the Tioga Area Expansion and Sabinsville to Morrisville Projects, in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The FERC staff concludes that approval of the proposed projects, with appropriate mitigating measures, would not constitute a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers—Baltimore District (COE) participated as a cooperating agency in the preparation of the EA. Cooperating agencies have jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to resources potentially affected by the proposal and participate in the NEPA analysis. The COE can adopt the EA for its NEPA requirements when considering issuing permits for the projects under the Clean Water Act.

The proposed Tioga Area Expansion Project in Docket No. CP12–19–000 includes:

- Installation of about 15 miles of new 24-inch-diameter pipeline (TL–610–Extension 1), associated with a new valve at DTI's existing Elk Run Gate, a new pig launcher and receiver, and the removal of about 4.7 miles of DTI's previously abandoned 16-inch-diameter pipeline (LN–280) in Tioga County, Pennsylvania;
- Installation of about 800 feet of new 24-inch-diameter pipeline (TL–614) in Potter County, Pennsylvania;
- Installation of about 900 feet of new 24-inch-diameter pipeline (TL–615) and a new meter station in Greene County, Pennsylvania;

- Upgrades within DTI's existing Boom Compressor Station, in Tioga County, Pennsylvania;
 - Modifications at DTI's existing Finnefrock Compressor Station in Clinton County, Pennsylvania; and
 - Upgrades at DTI's existing Lindley Gate in Steuben County, New York.
- The proposed Sabinsville to Morrisville Project in Docket No. CP12–20–000 includes the following facilities in Tioga County, Pennsylvania:
- Installation of about 3.6 miles of new 24-inch-diameter pipeline (TL–610);
 - Tie-ins and piping within DTI's existing Sabinsville Gas Storage Station; and
 - A tie-in to the existing Tennessee Gas Pipeline Sabinsville Meter Station.

The FERC staff mailed copies of the EA to federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Indian tribes with an interest in the project area; potentially affected landowners; newspapers and libraries in the region; and parties to this proceeding. In addition, the EA is available for public viewing on the FERC's Web site (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. A limited number of copies of the EA are available for distribution and public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference Room, 888 First Street NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502–8371.

Any person wishing to comment on the EA may do so. Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. To ensure that the Commission has the opportunity to consider your comments prior to making its decision on this project, it is important that we receive your comments in Washington, DC on or before December 31, 2012.

For your convenience, there are three methods you can use to file your comments to the Commission. In all instances, please reference the project docket numbers (CP12–19–000 and CP12–20–000) with your submission. The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments and has expert staff available to assist you at (202) 502–8258 or efiling@ferc.gov.

(1) You can file your comments electronically using the eComment feature on the Commission's Web site (www.ferc.gov) under the link to Documents and Filings. This is an easy

method for submitting brief, text-only comments on a project;

(2) You can also file your comments electronically using the eFiling feature on the Commission's Web site (www.ferc.gov) under the link to Documents and Filings. With eFiling, you can provide comments in a variety of formats by attaching them as a file with your submission. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on "eRegister." You must select the type of filing you are making. If you are filing a comment on a particular project, please select "Comment on a Filing"; or

(3) You can file a paper copy of your comments by mailing them to the following address: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.

Any person seeking to become a party to the proceeding must file a motion to intervene pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.214).¹ Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision. The Commission grants affected landowners and others with environmental concerns intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have a clear and direct interest in this proceeding which no other party can adequately represent. Simply filing environmental comments will not give you intervenor status, but you do not need intervenor status to have your comments considered.

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208–FERC, or on the FERC Web site (www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on "General Search," and enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the Docket Number field (i.e., CP12–19). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. 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. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

In addition, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription which allows you to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with

¹ See the previous discussion on the methods for filing comments.

notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm.

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Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER13-504-000]

Electricity NH, LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding, of Electricity NH, LLC's application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate schedule, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR Part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests with regard to the applicant's request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability is December 26, 2012.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://www.ferc.gov>. To facilitate electronic service, persons with Internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The filings in the above-referenced proceeding(s) are accessible in the

Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

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Secretary.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14446-001]

Peabody Trout Creek Reservoir LLC;

Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On November 30, 2012, Peabody Trout Creek Reservoir LLC (Peabody) filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of the Peabody Trout Creek Reservoir Hydroelectric Project (Trout Creek Reservoir Project or project) to be located on Trout Creek, near Steamboat Springs, Routt County, Colorado. 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: (1) A 1,900-foot-long, 75-foot-high, compacted earth-fill dam with a normal high water elevation of 6,669 feet above mean sea level forming a 392-acre reservoir and impounding 11,720 acre-feet of water; (2) a primary spillway consisting of a 54-inch-diameter ductile iron reinforced concrete conduit; (3) a 200-foot-long, earthen, side-channel emergency spillway with an armored crest, sides, and outlet works and a width that varies between 350 feet at the crest and 500 feet at the exit spillway; (4) water supply and hydropower

intakes consisting of three separate intakes discharging from three levels inside the reservoir pool; (5) a 40-foot by 30-foot, two-story combined water treatment plant, pump station, and powerhouse containing a 125-kilowatt turbine-generator; (6) a 200-foot-long primary transmission line connecting to an existing 7.2-kilovolt transmission line owned by Yampa Valley Electric Association; and (7) appurtenant facilities. The project would generate an estimated average of 756 megawatt-hours annually.

Applicant Contact: Brian Yansen, Director of Real Estate Development, Peabody Trout Creek Reservoir LLC, 701 Market Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63101-1826; phone: (314) 342-3400.

FERC Contact: Shana Murray; phone: (202) 502-8333.

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 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 seven 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-14446) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: December 4, 2012.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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