

Guerrero at [Julian.Guerrero@ed.gov](mailto:Julian.Guerrero@ed.gov). Written comments related to the October 23–24, 2024, NACIE meeting should be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on October 16, 2024. Members of the public may also make oral comment during the open meeting on October 24, 2024. Requests to make oral comment will be accepted on a first requested, first served basis. Each commenter must use the “raise your hand” feature and enter “I request to make an oral comment” into the meeting chat. Each commenter will have a maximum of three minutes to state his or her comment and/or question. Please note that written comments and oral comments made during the open meeting should pertain to the work of NACIE.

**Reasonable Accommodations:** The virtual meeting is accessible to individuals with disabilities. If you will need an auxiliary aid or service for the meeting (e.g., interpreting service, assistive listening device, or materials in an alternate format), notify the contact person listed in this notice no later than October 16, 2024. Although we will attempt to meet a request received after that date, we may not be able to make available the requested auxiliary aid or service because of insufficient time to arrange it.

**Access to Records of the Meeting:** The Department will post the official minutes of this meeting on the OESE website, <https://ed.gov/>, within 90 days after the meeting. Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 1009(b), the public may also inspect NACIE records at the Office of Indian Education, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20202, Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET. Please email Julian Guerrero at [Julian.Guerrero@ed.gov](mailto:Julian.Guerrero@ed.gov) to schedule an appointment.

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documents published by the Department.

**Authority:** Section 6141 of the ESEA, as amended (20 U.S.C. 7471).

**Adam Schott,**

*Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Programs, Delegated the Authority to Perform the Functions and Duties of the Assistant Secretary Office of Elementary and Secondary Education.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED–2024–SCC–0121]

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Application for Grants Under the Upward Bound Program (1894–0001)

**AGENCY:** Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE), Department of Education (ED).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Department is proposing an extension without change of a currently approved information collection request (ICR).

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 4, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for proposed information collection requests should be submitted within 30 days of publication of this notice. Click on this link [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain) to access the site. Find this information collection request (ICR) by selecting “Department of Education” under “Currently Under Review,” then check the “Only Show ICR for Public Comment” checkbox. [Reginfo.gov](http://Reginfo.gov) provides two links to view documents related to this information collection request. Information collection forms and instructions may be found by clicking on the “View Information Collection (IC) List” link. Supporting statements and other supporting documentation may be found by clicking on the “View Supporting Statement and Other Documents” link.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Sharon Easterling, (202) 453–7425.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department is especially interested in public comment addressing the

following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

**Title of Collection:** Application for Grants under the Upward Bound Program (1894–0001).

**OMB Control Number:** 1840–0550.

**Type of Review:** Extension without change of a currently approved ICR.

**Respondents/Affected Public:** Private Sector; State, Local, and Tribal Governments.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:** 1,540.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:** 51,080.

**Abstract:** The Department is requesting an extension of the application used to make new grants under the Upward Bound (UB) Program. This application will be used to conduct the Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 competition for new awards and collect data under the UB Program. The UB Program provides grants to institutions of higher education, public and private agencies and organizations, community-based organizations with experience in serving disadvantaged youth, combinations of such institutions, agencies and organizations, and secondary schools. Upward Bound provides fundamental support to participants in their preparation for college entrance. The program provides opportunities for participants to succeed in their precollege performance and ultimately in their higher education pursuits. Upward Bound serves: high school students from low-income families; and high school students from families in which neither parent holds a bachelor’s degree. The goal of Upward Bound is to increase the rate at which participants complete secondary education and enroll in and graduate from institutions of postsecondary education.

This discretionary grant falls under the streamlined grant process, 1894–0001, which waives the 60-day comment period (Pub. L. 104–13, sec. 3505(a)(2)).

This collection is being submitted under the Streamlined Clearance Process for Discretionary Grant Information Collections (1894–0001). Therefore, the 30-day public comment

period notice will be the only public comment notice published for this information collection.

Dated: September 30, 2024.

**Kun Mullan,**

*PRA Coordinator, Strategic Collections and Clearance, Governance and Strategy Division, Office of Chief Data Officer, Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 15360-000]

#### Low Head Hydro M 11, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On June 4, 2024, Low Head Hydro M 11, 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 the proposed Mississippi Locks and Dam 11 Hydroelectric Project, a hydropower project proposed to be located at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) Mississippi Lock and Dam located on the Mississippi River, near Dubuque, Iowa. 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 Mississippi Locks and Dam 11 Hydroelectric Project would consist of the following: (1) an impoundment approximately 19,613 acres with a storage capacity of 170,000 acre-feet; (2) a 200-foot-long and 300-foot-wide intake area located upstream of the powerhouse; (3) a 120-foot long and 276-foot-wide powerhouse located adjacent to the left bank of the existing Corps' dam; (4) nine vertical Kaplan turbine-generators rated at 1.57 megawatt (MW) each installed in the new powerhouse, for a total installed capacity of 14.13 MW; (5) a 13-megavolt-ampere, 4.16/69-kilovolt (kV) three-phase step-up transformer located adjacent to the powerhouse in a new, 50-foot-wide by 60-foot-long substation; (6) a 1.52-mile-long, single overhead three-phase 69-kV line extending from the substation to the interconnection

point; (7) new concrete guide walls constructed upstream and downstream of the powerhouse; (8) a 276-foot-wide and 400-foot-long unlined earthen excavation tailrace area having stone riprap placed in the areas of higher velocity; and (9) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an estimated annual generation of 91 gigawatt-hours.

**Applicant Contact:** Allen W. Skelly, Low Head Hydro M 11, LLC, 127 Longwood Blvd., Mount Orab, Ohio 45154; phone: (937) 802-8866.

**FERC Contact:** Shivani Khetani; phone: (212) 273-5917, or by email at [shivani.khetani@ferc.gov](mailto:shivani.khetani@ferc.gov).

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.

The Commission's Office of Public Participation (OPP) supports meaningful public engagement and participation in Commission proceedings. OPP can help members of the public, including landowners, environmental justice communities, Tribal members and others, access publicly available information and navigate Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502-6595 or [OPP@ferc.gov](mailto:OPP@ferc.gov).

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission's eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/eFiling.aspx>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>. 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), (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Acting Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Acting Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

The first page of any filing should include docket number P-15360-000.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's website at <https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/search>. Enter the docket number (P-15360) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: September 27, 2024.

**Debbie-Anne A. Reese,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. RM19-15-002; AD16-16-002]

#### Qualifying Facility Rates and Requirements Implementation Issues Under the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978; Notice of Schedule for the Preparation of an Environmental Assessment for Qualifying Facility Rates and Requirements Implementation Issues Under the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978

On July 16, 2020, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) issued Order No. 872,<sup>1</sup> approving certain revisions to its regulations implementing sections 201 and 210 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA).<sup>2</sup> On September 5, 2023, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (Ninth Circuit) remanded Order No. 872, without vacatur, based on its finding that, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA),<sup>3</sup> the Commission must prepare an environmental assessment (EA) analyzing the potential impacts of the rule on climate change and air quality.<sup>4</sup>

This notice identifies Commission staff's intention to prepare an EA for Order No. 872 and sets forth the

<sup>1</sup> *Qualifying Facility Rates & Requirements; Implementation Issues Under the Pub. Util. Regul. Policies Act of 1978*, Order No. 872, 172 FERC ¶ 61,041, order on reh'g, Order No. 872-A, 173 FERC ¶ 61,158 (2020), *aff'd in part and remanded in part sub nom. Solar Energy Indus. Ass'n v. FERC*, 80 F.4th 956 (9th Cir. 2023) (*Solar Energy*).

<sup>2</sup> 16 U.S.C. 796(17)-(18), 824a-3.

<sup>3</sup> 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*; see also 18 CFR pt. 380 (2023) (Commission's regulations implementing NEPA).

<sup>4</sup> *Solar Energy*, 80 F.4th at 996-97.