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Public Participation: In keeping with procedures, members of the public are welcome to observe the business of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee. To attend the meeting and/or to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Laura McCann at 202-586-7766; E-mail: laura.mccann@ee.doe.gov or T.J. Heibel at (410) 997-7778 ext. 223; E-mail: theibel@bcs-hq.com. You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days before the meeting. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chair of the Committee will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. The Chair will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying at <http://www.brdisolutions.com/publications/default.aspx#meetings>.

Issued at Washington, DC, on March 4, 2010.

Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12715-002]

Fairlawn Hydroelectric Company, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

March 4, 2010.

On January 4, 2010, the Fairlawn Hydroelectric Company, LLC filed an application, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of the Jennings

Randolph Project, to be located the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Jennings Randolph Dam, on the North Branch Potomac River, Garrett County, Maryland, and Mineral County, West Virginia.

The proposed project would utilize the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Jennings Randolph Dam and would consist of: (1) A proposed intake structure to be built on the upstream face of the dam; (2) a 720-foot-long penstock through the dam; (3) a proposed powerhouse containing 2 generating units with a total generating capacity of 14.0 MW; (4) a proposed 2/3-mile-long, 138 kV transmission line; (5) a tailrace, and (6) appurtenant facilities. The project would have an estimated average annual generation of 52.0 gigawatts-hours.

Applicant Contact: Mr. M. Clifford Phillips, Advanced Hydro Solutions LLC, 150 North Miller Road, Suite 450 C, Fairlawn, OH 44333, phone (330) 869-8451.

FERC Contact: Michael Spencer, (202) 502-6093.

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. 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 under the "e-Filing" link. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original and eight copies should be mailed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. For more information on how to submit these types of filings please go to the Commission's Web site located at <http://www.ferc.gov/filing-comments.asp>. More information about this project 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-12715) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3372.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13617-000]

KC Hydro LLC; Notice of Competing Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments

March 4, 2010.

On November 6, 2009, KC Hydro LLC filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of a hydropower development at North Unit Diversion Dam on the Deschutes River in Deschutes County, Oregon. 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 utilize the existing North Canal Diversion Dam, which is used by three irrigation districts, and would consist of the following new facilities: (1) An approximately 50-foot-long, 8- to 10-foot-diameter penstock to accommodate flows up to 800 cubic feet per second downstream of the dam; (2) a powerhouse containing a Francis turbine with an installed capacity of 1.8 megawatts; (3) an approximately 500-foot-long, 21-kilovolt transmission line; and (4) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of 7.2 gigawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Kelly Sackheim, KC Hydro LLC, 5096 Cocoa Palm Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628, phone: (916) 962-2271, e-mail: oregon@kchydro.com.

FERC Contact: Gina Krump, phone: (202) 502-6704, e-mail: gina.krump@ferc.gov.

Competing Applications: This application competes with Project No. 13560-000 filed August 27, 2009, and Project No. 13639-000 filed December 9, 2009.

Deadline for filing comments and motions to intervene: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Comments and motions to intervene 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/ferconline.asp>) under the "eFiling" link. For a simpler method of submitting text only comments, click on "Quick Comment." For assistance, please