

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****Notice Announcing Filing Priority for Preliminary Permit Applications**

Lock+ Hydro Friends Fund XXX, LLC. Project No. 13625-003
 FFP Project 121, LLC. Project No. 14504-000

On August 21, 2013, the Commission held a drawing to determine priority between competing preliminary permit applications with identical filing times. In the event that the Commission concludes that neither of the applicants' plans is better adapted than the other to develop, conserve, and utilize in the public interest the water resources of the region at issue, the priority established by this drawing will serve as the tiebreaker. Based on the drawing, the order of priority is as follows:

1. FFP Project 121, LLC Project No. 14504-000
2. Lock+ Hydro Friends Fund XXX, LLC Project No. 13625-003

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Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. RM12-3-000]

Revisions to Electric Quarterly Report Filing Process; Notice of Extended Availability of Sandbox Electronic Test Site

Take notice that the opportunity to use the Sandbox Electronic Test Site (ETS) has been extended until September 15, 2013. The ETS including a web interface and direct XML submission is available on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/eqr.asp>. Instructions are also available within the ETS.

Order No. 770¹ revised the method for making Electric Quarterly Report (EQR) filings. The ETS will be ended on September 15 so that the system may be finalized and put into production for filing beginning on October 1, 2013.

¹ *Revisions to Electric Quarterly Report Filing Process*, Order No. 770, 77 FR 71288 (Nov. 30, 2012), FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,338 (2012).

Staff encourages users to create test accounts and submit simulated filings as often as possible while the sandbox is available. Staff invites users to email comments and questions concerning the ETS to eqr@ferc.gov. Please include "Sandbox Electronic Test Site" in the subject line of any such emails.

Further, market participants are encouraged to sign up for the Commission's EQR RSS feed at <http://www.ferc.gov/xml/eqr.xml> to ensure timely receipt of new and additional information concerning the filing of EQRs. Such information often will not be conveyed through notices such as this one.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Notice of Workshop and Call for Information on Integrated Science Assessment for Oxides of Nitrogen and Oxides of Sulfur

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice; call for information.

SUMMARY: The U.S. EPA Office of Research and Development's National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA) is preparing an Integrated Science Assessment (ISA) as part of the review of the secondary National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for oxides of nitrogen (NO_x) and oxides of sulfur (SO_x). This ISA is intended to update the scientific assessment presented in the *Integrated Science Assessment for Oxides of Nitrogen and Sulfur—Ecological Criteria* (EPA 600/R-08/082F), published in December 2008. Interested parties are invited to assist the EPA in developing and refining the scientific information base for the review of the secondary NO_x and SO_x NAAQS by submitting research studies that have been published, accepted for publication, or presented at a public scientific meeting.

The EPA is also announcing that a workshop entitled "*Workshop to Discuss Policy-Relevant Science to Inform EPA's Review of the Secondary NO_x and SO_x NAAQS*" is being organized by NCEA and the EPA Office of Air and Radiation's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards

(OAQPS). The workshop will be held October 1 to 3, 2013, in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. The workshop will be open to attendance by interested public observers on a first-come, first-served basis up to the limits of available space.

DATES: The workshop will be held October 1 to 3, 2013. All communications and information submitted in response to notice of the workshop should be received by EPA by September 27, 2013.

ADDRESSES: The workshop will be held at U.S. EPA, 109 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina. An EPA contractor, ICF International, is providing logistical support for the workshop. Please register by going to <https://sites.google.com/site/soxnoxkickoffworkshop/>. The pre-registration deadline is September 27, 2013. Please direct questions regarding workshop registration or logistics to Courtney Skuce at EPA_NAAQS_Workshop@icfi.com or by phone at (919) 293-1660. For specific questions regarding technical aspects of the workshop see the section of this notice entitled **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Information in response to the call for information may be submitted electronically, by mail, by facsimile, or by hand delivery/courier. Please follow the detailed instructions as provided in the section of this notice entitled **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For details on the period for submission of research information from the public, contact the Office of Research and Development (ORD) Docket; telephone: 202-566-1752; facsimile: 202-566-9744; or email: Docket_ORD@epa.gov. For technical information, contact Tara Greaver, Ph.D., NCEA, telephone: (919) 541-5762; facsimile: (919) 541-2435; or email: greaver.tara@epa.gov or Ginger Tennant, OAQPS, telephone: (919) 541-4072 or email: tennant.ginger@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Information About the Project**

Section 108(a) of the Clean Air Act directs the Administrator to issue "air quality criteria" for certain air pollutants. These air quality criteria are to "accurately reflect the latest scientific knowledge useful in indicating the kind and extent of all identifiable effects on public health or welfare, which may be expected from the presence of such pollutant in the ambient air. . . ." Under section 109 of the Act, EPA is then to establish NAAQS for each pollutant for which EPA has issued criteria. Section 109(d) of the Act

subsequently requires periodic review and, if appropriate, revision of existing air quality criteria to reflect advances in scientific knowledge on the effects of the pollutant on public health and welfare. EPA is also to revise the NAAQS, if appropriate, based on the revised air quality criteria.

NO_x and SO_x are two of six “criteria” pollutants for which EPA has established NAAQS. Periodically, EPA reviews the scientific basis for these standards by preparing an ISA. The ISA, along with additional technical and policy assessments conducted by OAQPS, form the basis for EPA decisions on the adequacy of existing NAAQS and the appropriateness of new or revised standards.

At the start of a NAAQS review, EPA issues an announcement of the review and notes the initiation of the development of the ISA. At that time, EPA also issues a request that the public submit scientific literature that they want to bring to the attention of the Agency for consideration in the review process. The Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC), an independent scientific advisory committee mandated by the Clean Air Act, conducts independent expert scientific review of EPA’s draft ISAs. As the process proceeds, the public will have opportunities to review and comment on draft NO_x and SO_x ISAs. These opportunities will also be announced in the **Federal Register**.

For the review of the NO_x and SO_x NAAQS being initiated by this notice, the Agency is interested in obtaining additional new information on how gas-phase and deposition of these pollutants affects all ecosystem types in the US. Studies of particular interest are those evaluating the effects of exposure to gas-phase or deposition of NO_x and SO_x on laboratory plants and/or animals, field studies on ecosystem structure and/or function, including but not limited to studies on biogeochemistry, biodiversity, population and/or community structure. Deposition of NO_x and SO_x contribute to deposition of total nitrogen (N) and total sulfur (S) categories. General ecological effects due to deposition are ecosystem acidification (N + S deposition), nutrient enrichment (N deposition), eutrophication (N deposition) and sulfur induced mercury methylation (S deposition). EPA also seeks recent information in other areas of NO_x and SO_x research such as chemistry and physics, sources and emissions, analytical methodology, transport and transformation in the environment, and ambient concentrations in addition to information on reduced N and organic

N to understand how NO_x contributes to total N loading. This and other selected literature relevant to a review of the NAAQS for NO_x and SO_x will be assessed in the forthcoming NO_x and SO_x ISA.

As part of this review of the NO_x and SO_x NAAQS, EPA intends to sponsor a workshop on October 1 to 3, 2013, to inform the planning for EPA’s review of the secondary (welfare-based) NAAQS for NO_x and SO_x. Consistent with the NAAQS review process,¹ the workshop will provide an opportunity to highlight key policy-relevant science issues around which EPA would structure the review. In workshop discussions, EPA and experts from other organizations will be expected to highlight significant new and emerging NO_x and SO_x research and make recommendations to the Agency regarding the design and scope of this review. The goal of the workshop is to ensure that this review focuses on the key policy-relevant issues and considers the most meaningful new science to inform our understanding of these issues. Workshop discussions will provide important input as EPA considers the appropriate design and scope of major elements of the review that will inform the Agency’s policy assessment. These elements include an integrated review plan (IRP) highlighting the key policy-relevant issues; an integrated science assessment; and a risk and exposure assessment. We intend that workshop discussions will build upon three prior assessments or events (please see <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/naaqs/standards/no2so2sec/cr.html> to obtain a copy of these and other related documents):

1. *Secondary National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Nitrogen Dioxide; Final Rule* (40 CFR Part 50 [EPA-HQ-OAR-2007-1145], April 3, 2012). The preamble to the final rule included detailed discussions of policy-relevant issues central to the last review.

2. *Integrated Science Assessment for Oxides of Nitrogen and Sulfur—Ecological Criteria* (EPA 600/R-08/082F, December 2008).

3. *Risk and Exposure Assessment to Support the Review of the NO₂ Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard* (EPA 452/R-09/008a, September 2009).

Based in large part on the input received during this workshop, EPA will develop a draft IRP that will outline the schedule, process, and approaches for evaluating the relevant scientific information, assessing risks to the environment and addressing the key

¹ More information on the NAAQS review process is provided at: <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/naaqs/>.

policy-relevant issues. The CASAC will be asked to review the draft integrated review plan, and the public will have the opportunity to comment on it as well. The final integrated review plan will be used as a framework to guide the review.

II. How To Submit Technical Comments to the Docket at www.regulations.gov

Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2013-0620 by one of the following methods:

- www.regulations.gov: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
- *Email*: Docket_ORD@epa.gov.
- *Fax*: 202-566-9744.
- *Mail*: Office of Research and Development (ORD) Docket (Mail Code: 28221T), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460. The phone number is 202-566-1752.
- *Hand Delivery*: The ORD Docket is located in the EPA Headquarters Docket Center, Room 3334, EPA West Building, 1301 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC. The EPA Docket Center Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays. The telephone number for the Public Reading Room is 202-566-1744. Such deliveries are only accepted during the docket’s normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information. If you provide comments by mail or hand delivery, please submit three copies of the comments. For attachments, provide an index, number pages consecutively with the comments, and submit an unbound original and three copies.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-ORD-2013-0620. Please ensure that your comments are submitted within the specified comment period. Comments received after the closing date will be marked “late,” and may only be considered if time permits. It is EPA’s policy to include all comments it receives in the public docket without change and to make the comments available online at www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided, unless a comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through www.regulations.gov or email. The www.regulations.gov Web site is an “anonymous access” system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless

you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an email comment directly to EPA without going through www.regulations.gov, your email address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information about EPA's public docket visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm.

Docket: Documents in the docket are listed in the www.regulations.gov index. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other materials, such as copyrighted material, are publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in www.regulations.gov or in hard copy at the ORD Docket in the EPA Headquarters Docket Center.

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Acting Director, National Center for Environmental Assessment.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

[Notice 2013-13]

Filing Dates for the Louisiana Special Elections in the 5th Congressional District

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission.

ACTION: Notice of filing dates for special election.

SUMMARY: Louisiana has scheduled a Special General Election on October 19, 2013, to fill the U.S. House of Representatives seat vacated by Representative Rodney Alexander. Under Louisiana law, a majority winner in an open special election is declared elected. Should no candidate achieve a majority vote, a Special Runoff Election will be held on November 16, 2013, between the top two vote-getters.

Committees participating in the Louisiana special elections are required to file pre-and post-election reports. Filing dates for these reports are affected by whether one or two elections are held.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Elizabeth S. Kurland, Information Division, 999 E Street NW., Washington, DC 20463; Telephone: (202) 694-1100; Toll Free (800) 424-9530.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Principal Campaign Committees

All principal campaign committees of candidates who participate in the Louisiana Special General and Special Runoff Elections shall file a 12-day Pre-General Report on October 7, 2013; a Pre-Runoff Report on November 4, 2013; and a Post-Runoff Report on December 16, 2013. (See chart below for the closing date for each report).

If only one election is held, all principal campaign committees of

candidates in the Special General Election shall file a 12-day Pre-General Report on October 7, 2013; and a Post-General Report on November 18, 2013. (See chart below for the closing date for each report).

Unauthorized Committees (PACs and Party Committees)

Political committees filing on a semi-annual basis in 2013 are subject to special election reporting if they make previously undisclosed contributions or expenditures in connection with the Louisiana Special General or Special Runoff Elections by the close of books for the applicable report(s). (See charts below for the closing date for each report.)

Committees filing monthly that make contributions or expenditures in connection with the Louisiana Special General or Runoff Elections will continue to file according to the monthly reporting schedule.

Additional disclosure information in connection with the Louisiana Special Elections may be found on the FEC Web site at http://www.fec.gov/info/report_dates.shtml.

Disclosure of Lobbyist Bundling Activity

Principal campaign committees, party committees and Leadership PACs that are otherwise required to file reports in connection with the special elections must simultaneously file FEC Form 3L if they receive two or more bundled contributions from lobbyists/registrants or lobbyist/registant PACs that aggregate in excess of \$17,100 during the special election reporting periods (see charts below for closing date of each period). 11 CFR 104.22(a)(5)(v) and (b).

CALENDAR OF REPORTING DATES FOR LOUISIANA SPECIAL ELECTION

Report	Close of books ¹	Reg./cert. & overnight mailing deadline	Filing deadline
IF ONLY ONE ELECTION IS HELD, QUARTERLY FILING COMMITTEES INVOLVED IN THE SPECIAL GENERAL (10/19/13) MUST FILE:			
Pre-General	09/29/13	10/04/13	10/07/13
October Quarterly		²	
Post-General	11/08/13	11/18/13	11/18/13
Year-End	12/31/13	01/31/14	01/31/14
IF ONLY ONE ELECTION IS HELD, SEMI-ANNUAL FILING COMMITTEES INVOLVED IN THE SPECIAL GENERAL (10/19/13) MUST FILE:			
Pre-General	09/29/13	10/04/13	10/07/13
Post-General	11/08/13	11/18/13	11/18/13
Year-End	12/31/13	01/31/14	01/31/14

IF TWO ELECTIONS ARE HELD, QUARTERLY FILING COMMITTEES INVOLVED IN ONLY THE SPECIAL GENERAL (10/19/13) MUST FILE: