

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****[Project No. 14782–000]****Energy Resources USA Inc.; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications**

On May 4, 2016, Energy Resources USA Inc. 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 R.D. Bailey Dam Hydroelectric Project (R.D. Bailey Project or project) to be located at the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' R.D. Bailey Dam on the Guyandotte River in Mingo and Wyoming Counties, West Virginia. 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 the following: (1) A new 90-foot-long by 45-foot-wide reinforced concrete powerhouse to be located downstream on the tailrace side of R.D. Bailey Dam; (2) a new 12-foot by 9-foot by 250-foot-long concrete conduit connecting the existing outlet tunnel with the powerhouse; (3) two 5-megawatt (MW) vertical Kaplan turbine-generator units with a total generating capacity of 10 MW; (4) a new 120-foot-long by 80-foot-wide tailrace; (5) a new 60-foot-long by 50-foot-wide substation with a 10-mega-volt-ampere 4.16/69-kilovolt (kV) three-phase step-up transformer; (6) a new 0.6-mile-long, 69-kV transmission line; and (7) appurtenant facilities. The R.D. Bailey Project would have an estimated annual generation of 38.5 gigawatt-hours.

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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 strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission's eFiling system at <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, (866) 208–3676 (toll free), or (202) 502–8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P–14782–000.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the “eLibrary” link of the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P–14782) in the docket number field to access the document. 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****[Project No. 13757–002; Project No. 13761–002; Project No. 13768–002]****FFP Missouri 5, LLC; FFP Missouri 6, LLC; Solia 6 Hydroelectric, LLC; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment**

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission or FERC) regulations, 18 Code of Federal Regulations Part 380, Office of Energy Projects staff has reviewed applications for original licenses for the Emsworth Locks and Dam Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 13757–002), Emsworth Back Channel Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 13761–002), and Montgomery Locks and Dam Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 13768–002) on the Ohio River. These projects are referred to collectively as the Ohio River Projects.

The projects would all be located at existing locks and dams owned by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The Emsworth Locks and Dam Hydroelectric Project would be located on the Ohio River near Emsworth, Pennsylvania, in Allegheny County at river mile (RM) 6.2. The Emsworth Back Channel Hydroelectric Project would be located on the Ohio River near Coraopolis, Pennsylvania, in Allegheny County at RM 6.8. The Montgomery Locks and Dam Hydroelectric Project would be located on the Ohio River downstream of Monaca, Pennsylvania, in Beaver County at RM 31.7. The projects would collectively occupy 17.1 acres of federal land.

Staff has prepared a multi-project environmental assessment (EA) that analyzes the potential environmental effects of the three projects and concludes that constructing and operating the projects, with appropriate environmental protection measures, would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the EA is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at 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. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at 1–866–208–3676, or for TTY, (202) 502–8659.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to these or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Any comments should be filed within 30 days from the date of this notice. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. 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. In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include: “Emsworth Locks and Dam Hydroelectric Project No. 13757–002,

Emsworth Back Channel Hydroelectric Project No. 13761-002, and/or Montgomery Locks and Dam Hydroelectric Project No. 13768-002," as appropriate.

For further information, contact Nicholas Ettema at (202) 502-6565 or by email at nicholas.ettema@ferc.gov.

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Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM16-12-000; Docket No. RM15-21-000]

Review of Generator Interconnection Agreements and Procedures; American Wind Energy Association; Notice Inviting Post-Technical Conference Comments

On May 13, 2016, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) staff conducted a technical conference to discuss select issues related to the petition for rulemaking submitted by the American Wind Energy Association in Docket No. RM15-21-000 and other interconnection-related issues, including the interconnection of electric storage.

All interested persons are invited to file post-technical conference comments on any or all of the questions listed in the attachment to this Notice. We emphasize that commenters need not answer all of the questions. We encourage commenters to submit new or additional information in response to these questions rather than information that was previously submitted in Docket Nos. RM16-12-000 and/or RM15-21-000. Commenters should organize responses consistent with the numbering of the attached questions and identify to what extent their responses are generally applicable or pertain to a particular RTO/ISO. Commenters are also invited to reference material previously filed in this docket, including technical conference transcripts. These comments must be filed with the Commission no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on June 20, 2016.

For more information about this Notice, please contact:

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL16-77-000]

Michigan South Central Power Agency v. Michigan Electric Transmission Company, LLC; Notice of Complaint

Take notice that on June 1, 2016, pursuant to sections 206 and 306 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 824e and 825e and Rule 206 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.206, Michigan South Central Power Agency (Complainant) filed a formal complaint against Michigan Electric Transmission Company (Respondent) alleging that Respondent has failed to comply with Section 19.1(i) of the Project I Transmission Ownership and Operating Agreement between Complainant and Respondent, as more fully explained in the complaint.

Complainant certifies that copies of the complaint were served on the contacts for Respondent as listed on the Commission's list of Corporate Officials.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. The Respondent's answer and all interventions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. The Respondent's answer, motions to intervene, and protests must be served on the Complainant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically

should submit an original and 5 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link and is 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.

Comment Date: 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on June 21, 2016.

Dated: June 2, 2016.

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Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP16-361-000]

Columbia Gulf Transmission, LLC; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Gulf Xpress Project, Request for Comments on Environmental Issues, and Notice of Public Scoping Meeting

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the Gulf Xpress Project (GXP) involving construction and operation of facilities by Columbia Gulf Transmission, LLC (Columbia Gulf) in Kentucky, Tennessee, and Mississippi. The Commission will use this EIS in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping process the Commission will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies on the project. You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the project. Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. Your input will help the Commission staff