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) 1,860 turbine-generator units configured in a series of turbine arrays which in turn will be grouped to form turbine fields; (2) a combination of freestanding pilings, a floating bargelike platform, or existing shore infrastructure such as dock pilings onto which the turbine arrays will be moored; (3) submersible electric cables interconnecting the arrays within each turbine field and transmit the turbine field's generation to a shore station; (4) several shore stations each consisting of less than 100 square meters which will transition the submersible cabling to the overhead transmission; (5) a 8.3 mile, 69 kV line interconnecting the shore stations and delivering power to the project substation; and (6) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would generate about 163 gigawatt-hours annually.

Applicant contact: Ramya Swaminathan, Free Flow Power Corporation, 33 Commercial Street, Gloucester, Massachusetts 01930, phone: (978) 226–1531.

FERC Contact: Sergiu Serban, 202–502–6211.

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 paperfiled. 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, 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-13545) 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. 13543-000]

Free Flow Power Ohio River 6, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

August 14, 2009.

On July 14, 2009, Free Flow Power Ohio River 6, LLC filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of the Krotz Springs Hydrokinetic Energy Project, located on the Atchafalaya River, Pointe Coupee, Saint Landry, and Saint Martin Parishes, Louisiana. 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) 1,110 turbine-generator units configured in a series of turbine arrays which in turn will be grouped to form turbine fields; (2) a combination of freestanding pilings, a floating bargelike platform, or existing shore infrastructure such as dock pilings onto which the turbine arrays will be moored; (3) submersible electric cables interconnecting the arrays within each turbine field and transmit the turbine field's generation to a shore station; (4) several shore stations each consisting of less than 100 square meters which will transition the submersible cabling to the overhead transmission; (5) a 4.5 mile, 69 kV line interconnecting the shore stations and delivering power to the project substation; and (6) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would generate about 96 gigawatt-hours

Applicant contact: Ramya Swaminathan, Free Flow Power Corporation, 33 Commercial Street, Gloucester, Massachusetts 01930, phone: (978) 226–1531. FERC Contact: Sergiu Serban, 202–502–6211.

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 paperfiled. 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/filingcomments.asp. 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/

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13541-000]

Free Flow Power Ohio River 4, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

August 14, 2009.

On July 14, 2009, Free Flow Power Ohio River 4, LLC filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of the Melville Crevasse Hydrokinetic Energy Project, located on the Atchafalaya River, Pointe Coupee and Saint Landry Parishes, Louisiana. 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) 1,720 turbine-generator units configured in a series of turbine arrays which in turn will be grouped to form turbine fields; (2) a combination of freestanding pilings, a floating bargelike platform, or existing shore infrastructure such as dock pilings onto which the turbine arrays will be moored; (3) submersible electric cables interconnecting the arrays within each turbine field and transmit the turbine field's generation to a shore station; (4) several shore stations each consisting of less than 100 square meters which will transition the submersible cabling to the overhead transmission; (5) a 7.6 mile, 69 kV line interconnecting the shore stations and delivering power to the project substation; and (6) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would generate about 150 gigawatt-hours annually.

Applicant contact: Ramya Swaminathan, Free Flow Power Corporation, 33 Commercial Street, Gloucester, Massachusetts 01930, phone: (978) 226–1531.

FERC Contact: Sergiu Serban, 202–502–6211.

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 paperfiled. 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/filingcomments.asp. More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number

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Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Bonneville Power Administration

Electrical Interconnection of the Golden Hills Wind Project

AGENCY: Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of availability of Record of Decision (ROD).

SUMMARY: The Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) has decided to offer BP Alternative Energy North America, Inc. a Large Generator Interconnection Agreement for interconnection of up to 200 megawatts of power into the Federal Columbia River Transmission System. The power would be generated by the Golden Hills Wind Project (Wind Project) in Sherman County, Oregon. To interconnect the Wind Project, BPA will string a jumper line at an existing transmission tower outside Klondike Schoolhouse Substation and connect to BPA's Biglow Canyon—Klondike Schoolhouse No. 2 230-kilovolt line. BPA will also purchase part of Portland General Electric's Biglow Canyon Substation, as well as about 1 acre of land next to Biglow Canyon Substation for the expansion of the substation to accommodate new equipment, including a new transmission tower. This new tower will then be connected to an existing transmission tower outside the substation fence. This decision to interconnect the Wind Project is consistent with and tiered to BPA's Business Plan Environmental Impact Statement (DOE/EIS-0183, June 1995), and the Business Plan Record of Decision (BP ROD, August 1995). ADDRESSES: Copies of this tiered ROD

and the Business Plan EIS may be obtained by calling BPA's toll-free document request line, 1–800–622–4520. The RODs and EIS are also available on our Web site, http://www.efw.bpa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gene Lynard, Bonneville Power Administration—KEC-4, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, Oregon, 97208–3621; toll-free telephone number 1–800–622–4519; fax number 503–230–5699; or e-mail gplynard@bpa.gov.

Issued in Portland, Oregon, on August 13, 2009.

Stephen J. Wright,

Administrator and Chief Executive Officer. [FR Doc. E9–20303 Filed 8–21–09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450–01–P

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Western Area Power Administration

Big Stone II Power Plant and Transmission Project Final Environmental Impact Statement (DOE/ EIS-0377)

AGENCY: Western Area Power Administration, DOE. **ACTION:** Record of Decision.

SUMMARY: The Western Area Power Administration (Western) received an application to interconnect the Big Stone II Power Plant and Transmission Project (Project) into Western's transmission system. The Project entails the construction of a new 600-megawatt (MW) coal-fired electric power generating station adjacent to the existing Big Stone plant in Grant County, South Dakota. The Project also includes approximately 140 miles of new or upgraded transmission lines. On June 26, 2009, Western published a notice of the availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the Project (74 FR 30559). Western considered the environmental impacts of the Project and has decided to allow the request to interconnect at Western's Morris and Granite Falls substations located in Minnesota.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, please contact Mr. Matt Blevins, NEPA Document Manager, Big Stone II EIS, Western Area Power Administration, A7400, P.O. Box 281213, Lakewood, CO 80228, telephone (800) 336-7288, fax (720) 962-7263, or e-mail BigStoneEIS@wapa.gov. For general information on DOE's NEPA review process, please contact Carol M. Borgstrom, Director, Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance, GC-20, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, DC 20585, telephone (202) 586-4600 or (800) 472-2756.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Western is a Federal agency under the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) that markets and transmits wholesale electrical power through an integrated 17,000-circuit mile, high-voltage transmission system across 15 western states. The Project is located within Western's Upper Great Plains Region, which operates and maintains nearly