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k. This application has been accepted for filing, but is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. *The Fort Dodge Mill Dam Project would consist of:* (1) The existing 342-foot-long by 18-foot-high concrete dam with a 230-foot-long spillway and 5 Tainter gates; (2) a 90-acre reservoir with a normal full pond elevation of 990 feet above mean sea level; (3) an existing 40-foot-wide concrete intake structure with trash rack and stop log guides; (4) an existing powerhouse to contain two proposed turbine generating units with a total installed capacity of 1,400 kW; (5) a proposed 2,400-foot-long, 13.8-kV transmission line; and (6) appurtenant facilities. The applicant estimates that the total average annual generation would be about 7,506 MWh.

m. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://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. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

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n. Any qualified applicant desiring to file a competing application must submit to the Commission, on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application, a competing development application, or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing development application no later than 120 days after the specified deadline date for the particular application. Applications for preliminary permits will not be accepted in response to this notice.

A notice of intent must specify the exact name, business address, and telephone number of the prospective applicant, and must include an unequivocal statement of intent to

submit, if such an application may be filed, either a preliminary permit application or a development application (specify which type of application). A notice of intent must be served on the applicant(s) named in this public notice.

o. Anyone may submit a protest or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, and 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

When the application is ready for environmental analysis, the Commission will issue a public notice requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions.

All filings must: (1) Bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST" or "MOTION TO INTERVENE," "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION," or "COMPETING APPLICATION;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application.

p. The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Scoping Document: June 2006.

Notice of application is ready for environmental analysis: August 2006.

Notice of the availability of the EA: February 2007.

Ready for Commission's decision on the application: April 2007.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2197-073]

Alcoa Power Generating, Inc.; Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission, Soliciting Additional Study Requests, and Establishing Procedural Schedule for Licensing and Deadline for Submission of Final Amendments

May 10, 2006.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 2197-073.

c. *Date Filed:* April 25, 2006.

d. *Applicant:* Alcoa Power Generating, Inc.

e. *Name of Project:* Yadkin Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The existing project is located on the Yadkin River in Stanly, Davidson, Davie, Montgomery, and Rowan Counties, North Carolina. The project does not affect Federal lands.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r)

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Gene Ellis, Licensing and Property Manager, Alcoa Power Generating, Inc., Yadkin Division, P.O. Box 576, NC Highway 740, Badin, NC 28009-0576.

i. *FERC Contact:* Stephen Bowler, (202) 502-6861; or stephen.bowler@ferc.gov or Lee Emery, (202) 502-8379; or lee.emery@ferc.gov.

j. *Cooperating Agencies:* We are asking Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the environmental document. Agencies who would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing such requests described in item l below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document cannot also intervene. See, 94 FERC ¶ 61,076 (2001).

k. Pursuant to section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than 60 days from

the date of filing of the application, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

l. Deadline for filing additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status: June 25, 2006.

m. This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.
n. *The Project Description:* The existing Yadkin River Hydroelectric Project consists of four developments: High Rock, Tuckertown, Narrows, and Falls. The four developments are located on a 38-mile reach of the Yadkin River 60 miles northeast of Charlotte in central North Carolina. The High Rock development is the most upstream, with the Tuckertown, Narrows, and Falls Developments 8.7, 16.5, and 19.0 miles below High Rock respectively. The four Yadkin Developments have a combined installed capacity of 210 megawatts (MW). The project produces an average annual generation of 844,306 megawatt-hours.

The High Rock Development includes the following constructed facilities: (1) A 101-foot-high, 936-foot-long, concrete gravity dam, with a 550-foot-long, gate-controlled spillway; (2) ten, 45-foot-wide (Stoney) floodgates; (3) a 14,400-acre reservoir, with a normal pool elevation of 623.9 feet USGS (U.S. Geological Survey Datum) and a usable storage capacity of 217,400 acre-feet; (4) a powerhouse, integral to the dam, containing three vertical Francis turbine units directly connected to generators with a total installed capacity of 32,190 kW; and (5) appurtenant facilities.

The Tuckertown Development includes the following constructed facilities: (1) A 76-foot-high, 1,370-foot-long, concrete gravity dam with sections of rock fill and earth fill embankment; (2) a 480-foot-long spillway with eleven Tainter gates 35-feet-wide and 38-feet-high; (3) a 2,560-acre reservoir, with a normal pool elevation of 564.7 feet USGS and a usable storage capacity of 6,700 acre-feet; (4) a 204-foot-long powerhouse, integral to the dam,

containing three Kaplan turbine units directly connected to generators with a total installed capacity of 38,040 kW; and (5) appurtenant facilities.

The Narrows Development includes the following constructed facilities: (1) A 201-foot-high, 1,144-foot-long, concrete gravity dam with a 640-foot-long main spillway; (2) twenty-two, 25-foot-wide by 12-foot-high (Tainter) flood gates and a trash gate; (3) a 128-foot-long intake structure with four 20-foot by 20-foot openings each with two vertical lift gates; (4) four 15-foot-diameter steel-lined penstocks; (5) a 213-foot-long by 80-foot-wide reinforced concrete and brick powerhouse located 280 feet downstream of the dam; (6) a 430-foot-long bypass spillway with ten Stoney gates (35-feet-wide by 28-feet-high); (7) a 5,355-acre reservoir, with a normal pool elevation of 509.8 feet USGS and a usable storage capacity of 129,100 acre-feet; (8) four vertical Francis turbines directly connected to generators with a total installed capacity of 447,150 kW; and (9) appurtenant facilities.

The Falls Development includes the following constructed facilities: (1) A 112-foot-high, 750-foot-long, concrete gravity dam; (2) a 526-foot-long spillway with a 441-foot section of Stoney gates (33-feet-wide by 34-feet-high), a 71-foot section of Tainter gates (25-feet-wide by 19-feet- and 14-feet-high respectively), and a 14-foot-long trash gate section; (3) a 204-acre reservoir, with a normal pool elevation of 332.8 feet USGS and a usable storage capacity of 940 acre-feet; (4) an 189-foot-long powerhouse, integral to the dam, and containing one S. Morgan Smith vertical Francis turbine and two Allis Chalmers propeller type turbines all directly connected to generators with a total installed capacity of 31,130 kW; and (5) appurtenant facilities.

Alcoa operates the High Rock Development in a store-and-release mode, and the Tuckertown, Narrows, and Falls Developments in a run-of-river

mode. The High Rock Development provides storage for the downstream developments, and the Narrows Development provides some storage during low flow conditions and emergencies. The maximum annual drawdown for High Rock is 13 feet, with drawdowns of five feet or less typical during the summer months. At the other developments, the maximum annual drawdown is 3 to 4 feet, with an average daily drawdown of up to 1 to 2 feet. Progress Energy releases a weekly average minimum of 900 cfs into the Yadkin River from the Yadkin Project at the Falls Development.

o. *Locations of the Application:* A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://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. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.

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p. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), as required by section 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR, at § 800.4.

q. *Procedural Schedule:* The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate.

Milestone	Target date
Tendering Notice	May 10, 2006.
Additional Study Requests & Interventions	June 25, 2006.
Additional Information Requests (if necessary)	July 2006.
Issue Acceptance Letter	October 2006.
Issue Scoping Document 1 for Comments	November 2006.
Hold Scoping Meetings	January 2007.
Request Additional Information (if necessary)	February 2007.
Issue Scoping Document 2	March 2007.
Notice of Ready for Environmental Analysis	March 2007.
Filing of recommendations, preliminary terms and conditions, and fishway prescriptions	May 2007.
Commission issues Draft EA or EIS	September 2007.
Comments on Draft EA or EIS & Modified Terms and Conditions	November 2007.
Commission Issues Final EA or EIS	March 2008.
Ready for Commission Decision on the Application	April 2008.

Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of the notice of ready for environmental analysis.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2206-030]

Carolina Power & Light Company; Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission, Soliciting Additional Study Requests, and Establishing Procedural Schedule for Licensing and Deadline for Submission of Final Amendments

May 10, 2006.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 2206-030.

c. *Date Filed:* April 26, 2006.

d. *Applicant:* Carolina Power & Light Company (d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc.)

e. *Name of Project:* Yadkin-Pee Dee River Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The existing project is located on the Yadkin and Pee Dee Rivers in Montgomery, Stanly, Anson, and Richmond Counties, North Carolina. The project does not affect Federal lands.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791 (a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* E. Michael Williams, Senior Vice President Power Operations, Progress Energy, 410 S. Wilmington Street PEB 13, Raleigh, North Carolina 27062; Telephone (919) 546-6640.

i. *FERC Contact:* Stephen Bowler, (202) 502-6861; or stephen.bowler@ferc.gov or Lee Emery, (202) 502-8379; or lee.emery@ferc.gov.

j. *Cooperating Agencies:* We are asking Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the environmental document. Agencies who would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing

such requests described in item 1 below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document cannot also intervene. See, 94 FERC ¶ 61,076 (2001).

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l. *Deadline for Filing Additional Study Requests and Requests for Cooperating Agency Status:* June 26, 2006.

m. This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

n. *The Project Description:* The existing Yadkin-Pee Dee Project consists of the Tillery Development on the Yadkin River and the Blewett Falls Development on the Pee Dee River. The project has a combined installed capacity of 108.6 MW and an average annual generation of 326 million kilowatt-hours.

The Tillery Development includes the following constructed facilities: (1) A 1,200-foot-long earthen embankment and 1,550-foot-long, concrete gravity structure including a 758-foot-long, 62-foot-high spillway; (2) eighteen, 34-foot-wide by 24-foot-high radial spillway gates; (3) a 14-foot-wide bottom-drop trash sluice gate; (4) a 5,697-acre reservoir, with a normal pool elevation of 277.3 feet NAVD 88 (North American Vertical Datum of 1988) and a usable storage capacity of 84,150 acre-feet; (5) a concrete, indoor-outdoor powerhouse, integral to the dam, containing three Francis turbines and one fixed-blade propeller turbine directly connected to generators with a total installed capacity of 84 MW; (6) a small Francis turbine powering a "house generator" with an installed capacity of 360 kW; and (7) appurtenant facilities.

The Blewett Falls Development includes the following constructed facilities: (1) A 1,700-foot-long earthen embankment and 1,468-foot-long, concrete gravity structure including a spillway with abutments; (2) 4-foot-high, wooden flashboards; (3) a 2,866-acre reservoir, with a normal pool elevation of 177.2 feet NAVD 88 and a

usable storage capacity of 30,893 acre-feet; (4) a powerhouse, integral to the dam, containing six pairs of identical S. Morgan Smith hydraulic turbines, each pair with its own penstock and headgate and directly connected to its own generator, for a total installed capacity of 24.6 MW; (5) a 900-foot-long tailrace channel; and (6) appurtenant facilities.

The Tillery Development is operated as a peaking facility. It is licensed for a 22 foot drawdown, but managed for drawdowns of not more than four feet under normal conditions and one foot from April 15 to May 15 to protect largemouth bass spawning. The Blewett Falls Development is operated as a re-regulating facility, smoothing out flows released from the upstream developments. Blewett Falls is licensed for a drawdown of 17 feet, but generally operates with drawdowns of two to four feet. The existing license requires the release of a continuous minimum flow of 40 cfs from the Tillery Development and 150 cfs from the Blewett Falls Development. By regional agreement, a 900 cfs daily flow release from the project is required as part of a drought management protocol.

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