

Columbia's authorization in Docket No. CP83-76-000, 22 FERC ¶62,029 (1983) for authority to construct, modify and abandon certain natural gas facilities at its Benton Storage Field located in Hocking and Vinton Counties, Ohio, as more fully detailed in the Application.

Questions concerning this application may be directed to Fredric J. George, Senior Counsel, Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC, P.O. Box 1273, Charleston, West Virginia 22030-0146, by calling 304-357-2359 or faxing 304-357-3206.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 60 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205), a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the NGA.

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. Such motions or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant, on or before the comment date. It is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

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 seven copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

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assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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[Project No. 13804-000]

White River Hydro, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

August 19, 2010.

On July 1, 2010, and supplemented July 15, 2010, White River 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 the White River Hydroelectric Project, located on the White River in Pierce County, Washington. 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 352-foot-long, 11-foot-high timber constructed dam with a 7-foot-high aluminum flashboard; (2) a fish recovery pond containing a 5-foot-wide, 50-foot-long channel and nine screen bays; (3) a 200-foot-long, 17-foot-high fish screen facility, which returns fish to the White River; (4) a 1,000-foot-long trapezoidal concrete channel; (5) two 5.5- to 10-foot-diameter, 11,200-foot-long pipelines; (6) a valve house to convey the water to an approximately 1.5-mile-long riprapped channel; (7) Lake Tapps, which has a surface area of 2,700 acres and a storage capacity of 48,258 acre-feet at elevation 543 feet above mean sea level; (8) a tunnel intake structure; (9) a 12-foot-diameter, 2,842-foot-long concrete tunnel; (10) a 73-foot-deep forebay; (11) three 5.4- to 6-foot-diameter, 3,000-foot-long penstocks; (12) an 85-foot-wide, 255-foot-long, and 55-foot-high powerhouse containing two 10-megawatt (MW) turbine/generator units, one 15-MW turbine/generator

unit, and one 28-MW turbine/generator unit, for a total generating capacity of 63 MW; (13) an approximately 34-foot-wide, 2,200-foot-long tailrace discharging to White River; (14) a 4,181-foot-long, 115-kilovolt transmission line; and (15) appurtenant facilities. The proposed White River Project will have an average annual generation of 100 gigawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Mr. Thom A. Fischer, White River Hydro, LLC, 3633 Alderwood Ave., Bellingham, WA 98225; phone: (360) 739-9777.

FERC Contact: Jennifer Harper, (202) 502-6136.

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. 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 <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. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

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-13804) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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