

## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No.: P-12635-002]

**Moriah Hydro Corporation; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests**

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

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

b. *Project No.:* P-12635-002.

c. *Date filed:* February 13, 2015.

d. *Applicant:* Moriah Hydro Corporation.

e. *Name of Project:* Mineville Energy Storage Project.

f. *Location:* The project would be located in an abandoned subterranean mine complex<sup>1</sup> in the town of Moriah, Essex County, New York. No federal lands are occupied by project works or located within the project boundary.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* James A. Besha, President, Moriah Hydro Corporation, c/o Albany Engineering Corporation, 5 Washington Square, Albany, New York 12205, (518) 456-7712.

i. *FERC Contact:* Chris Millard (202) 502-8256 or [christopher.millard@ferc.gov](mailto:christopher.millard@ferc.gov).

j. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests:* 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene and protests 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](mailto: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-12635-002.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an

issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

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

l. The proposed project consists of: (1) An upper reservoir located within the upper portion of the mine between elevations 495 and 1,095 feet above mean seal level (msl), with a surface area of 4 acres and a storage capacity of 2,448 acre-feet; (2) a lower reservoir in the lower portion of the mine between elevations -1,075 and -1,555 feet msl, with a surface area of 5.1 acres and a storage capacity of 2,448 acre-feet; (3) a 14-foot-diameter and 2,955-foot-long upper reservoir shaft connecting the upper reservoir to the high-pressure penstock located below the powerhouse chamber floor; (4) a 14-foot-diameter and 2,955-foot-long lower reservoir shaft connecting the lower reservoir and the lower reservoir ventilation tunnel; (5) two 6-foot-diameter emergency evacuation shafts located between the powerhouse chamber and the electrical equipment chamber; (6) a 25-foot-diameter main shaft extending 2,955 feet from the surface down to the powerhouse chamber; (7) 15-foot-diameter high- and low-pressure steel penstocks embedded beneath the powerhouse chamber floor; (8) a 320-foot-long by 80-foot-wide powerhouse chamber, containing 100 reversible pump-turbine units, each with a nameplate generating capacity of 2.4 megawatts; (9) a 274-foot-long by 36-foot-wide underground electrical equipment chamber adjacent to the powerhouse chamber; (10) an inclined electrical tunnel connecting the electrical equipment chamber to a new 115-kilovolt (kV) substation constructed adjacent to an existing single circuit 115-kV transmission line located about one horizontal mile from the underground powerhouse chamber; and (11) appurtenant facilities. The project would operate as a closed-loop system to meet energy demands and grid control requirements. The project would have an average annual generation of 421 gigawatt-hours (GWh). The average pumping power used by the project would be 554 GWh.

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. A copy is also available

for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

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

n. Any qualified applicant desiring to file a competing application must submit to the Commission, on or before the specified intervention deadline date, 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 intervention deadline date. 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 a development application. A notice of intent must be served on the applicant(s) named in this public notice.

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, .211, and .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 comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment 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

<sup>1</sup> The existing mine complex is composed of the interconnected Old Bed, Bonanza open pit, and Harmony mines.

the applicant specified in the particular application.

Dated: October 4, 2016.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14585-001]

#### Dynegy Estero Bay Wave Park, LLC; Notice of Surrender of Preliminary Permit

Take notice that Dynegy Estero Bay Wave Park, LLC, permittee for the proposed Estero Bay Wave Park Project, has requested that its preliminary permit be terminated. The permit was issued on October 28, 2014, and would have expired on November 1, 2017.<sup>1</sup> The project would have been located in coastal waters between 2.5 and 3.0 miles off the coast of San Luis Obispo County, California, and on land near the town of Morro Bay.

The preliminary permit for Project No. 14585 will remain in effect until the close of business, November 3, 2016. But, if the Commission is closed on this day, then the permit remains in effect until the close of business on the next day in which the Commission is open.<sup>2</sup> New applications for this site may not be submitted until after the permit surrender is effective.

Dated: October 4, 2016.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14584-001]

#### Dynegy Point Estero Wave Park, LLC; Notice of Surrender of Preliminary Permit

Take notice that Dynegy Point Estero Wave Park, LLC, permittee for the proposed Point Estero Wave Park Project, has requested that its preliminary permit be terminated. The permit was issued on October 28, 2014, and would have expired on November

1, 2017.<sup>1</sup> The project would have been located in the Pacific Ocean between 2.5 and 3.0 miles off the coast of San Luis Obispo County, California, and on land near the town of Morro Bay.

The preliminary permit for Project No. 14584 will remain in effect until the close of business, November 3, 2016. But, if the Commission is closed on this day, then the permit remains in effect until the close of business on the next day in which the Commission is open.<sup>2</sup> New applications for this site may not be submitted until after the permit surrender is effective.

Dated: October 4, 2016.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14680-002]

#### Water Street Land, LLC; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing With the Commission, Intent To Waive Scoping, Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests, Ready for Environmental Analysis, and Soliciting Comments, Terms and Conditions, and Recommendations, and Establishing an Expedited Schedule for Processing

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

*a. Type of Application:* Exemption from Licensing

*b. Project No.:* 14680-002

*c. Date filed:* July 13, 2016

*d. Applicant:* Water Street Land, LLC

*e. Name of Project:* Natick Pond Dam Hydroelectric Project

*f. Location:* On the Pawtuxet River, in the Towns of Warwick and West Warwick, Kent County, Rhode Island. No federal lands would be occupied by project works or located within the project boundary.

*g. Filed Pursuant to:* Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, 16 U.S.C. 2705, 2708 (2012), *amended by* the Hydropower Regulatory Efficiency Act of 2013, Public Law 113-23, 127 Stat. 493 (2013).

*h. Applicant Contact:* Mr. Rob Cioe, Water Street Land, LLC, P.O. Box 358, North Kingstown, RI 02852; (480) 797-3077.

*i. FERC Contact:* John Ramer, (202) 502-8969, or email at [john.ramer@ferc.gov](mailto:john.ramer@ferc.gov).

*j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests, comments, terms and conditions, and recommendations:* Due to the small size and location of this project and the close coordination with state and federal agencies during preparation of the application, the 60-day timeframe in 18 CFR 4.34(b) is shortened. Instead, motions to intervene and protests, comments, terms and conditions, and recommendations are due 30 days from the issuance date of this notice. All reply comments must be filed with the Commission within 45 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene, protests, comments, and recommendations 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](mailto: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-14680-002.

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

*k.* This application has been accepted for filing and is now ready for environmental analysis.

*l.* The proposed Natick Pond Dam Hydroelectric Project would consist of: (1) An existing 265-foot-long granite block dam with a 19.3-foot-high, 166-foot-long spillway; (2) an existing 58-foot to 125.3-foot-wide, 1-foot- to 28-foot-deep earth embankment; (3) an existing 44-foot-long, 4-foot- to 20-foot-high south granite block training wall; (4) an existing 1,244-foot-long, 18-foot- to 41.25-foot-high granite block and cobble stone north training wall; (5) an existing 4-foot-wide, 6-foot-high granite

<sup>1</sup> 149 FERC ¶ 62,059.

<sup>2</sup> 18 CFR 385.2007(a)(2) (2016).

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<sup>2</sup> 18 CFR 385.2007(a)(2) (2016).