

e. *Name of Project*: Cle Elum Project.

f. *Location*: On the Cle Elum River, in Kittitas County, Washington. A portion of the project occupies United States lands administered by U.S. Forest Service.

g. *Filed Pursuant to*: 18 CFR 5.5 and 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.

h. *Potential Applicant Contact*: Ramya Swaminathan, Qualified Hydro 24, LLC, 239 Causeway Street, Suite 300, Boston, MA 02114; (978) 283-2822.

i. *FERC Contact*: Jim Hastreiter at (503) 552-2760; or email at [james.hastreiter@ferc.gov](mailto:james.hastreiter@ferc.gov).

j. *Deadline for filing information, study requests, and scoping comments*: July 13, 2012.

All documents 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 at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. 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.

k. The proposed project would use the existing dam, intake structure, discharge conduit, and outlet conduit to generate power by using flow releases from Reclamation's existing Cle Elum Dam. The proposed project would consist of following new structures: (1) A 25-foot-long, steel lined bifurcation; (2) a steel 100-foot-long, 12-foot-diameter penstock; (3) a steel 50-foot-diameter, 140-foot-tall surge tank; (4) a 50- by 80-foot concrete powerhouse with associated control equipment; (5) two vertical Francis turbines and two 3.7 MW generators; (6) a 70- by 160-foot-long concrete tailrace; a 35- by 40-foot substation; a 1,000-foot-long, 12.5 kilovolt transmission line; a 1000-foot-long access road; and appurtenant facilities.

l. A copy of the NOI and PAD 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.

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 this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

#### m. Scoping Process

The Commission intends to prepare an Environmental assessment (EA) on the project in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act. The EA will consider both site-specific and cumulative environmental impacts and reasonable alternatives to the proposed action.

#### Scoping Meetings

FERC staff will conduct one agency scoping meeting and one public meeting. The agency scoping meeting will focus on resource agency and non-governmental organization (NGO) concerns, while the public scoping meeting is primarily for public input. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend one or both of the meetings, and to assist the staff in identifying the scope of the environmental issues that should be analyzed in the EA. The times and locations of these meetings are as follows:

##### *Agency Scoping Meeting*

Date: Wednesday, June 13, 2012

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Place: Suncadia Lodge

Address: 3600 Suncadia Trail, Cle Elum, Washington 98922

##### *Public Scoping Meeting*

Date: Wednesday, June 13, 2012

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Suncadia Lodge

Address: 3600 Suncadia Trail, Cle Elum, Washington 98922

Copies of the Scoping Document (SD1) outlining the subject areas to be addressed in the EIS were distributed to the parties on the Commission's mailing list. Copies of the SD1 will be available at the scoping meeting or may be viewed on the Web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link (see item l above).

#### Environmental Site Review

The Applicant, Bureau of Reclamation, and FERC staff will conduct a project Environmental Site Review beginning at 9:00 a.m. on June 13, 2012. All interested individuals,

organizations, and agencies are invited to attend. All participants should meet at the Cle Elum dam. All participants are responsible for their own transportation to the site. Anyone with questions about the Environmental Site Review should contact Mr. Alan Topalian of Qualified Hydro 24, LLC at 978-283-2822, ext. 122.

#### Objectives

At the scoping meetings, the staff will: (1) Summarize the environmental issues tentatively identified for analysis in the EA; (2) solicit from the meeting participants all available information, especially quantifiable data, on the resources at issue; (3) encourage statements from experts and the public on issues that should be analyzed in the EA, including viewpoints in opposition to, or in support of, the staff's preliminary views; (4) determine the resource issues to be addressed in the EA; and (5) identify those issues that require a detailed analysis, as well as those issues that do not require a detailed analysis.

#### Procedures

The meetings are recorded by a stenographer and become part of the formal record of the Commission proceeding on the project.

Individuals, organizations, and agencies with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the meeting and to assist the staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in the EA.

Dated: May 14, 2012.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13287-004]

#### City of New York; Notice of Scoping Meetings and Environmental Site Review and Soliciting Scoping Comments

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

a. *Type of Application*: Major project, existing dam.

b. *Project No.*: 13287-004.

c. *Date filed*: February 29, 2012.

d. *Applicant*: City of New York.

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

f. *Location*: On the West Branch of the Delaware River, near the Township of Deposit, Delaware County, New York. The project does not occupy any federal lands.

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

h. *Applicant Contact*: Anthony J. Fiore, Chief of Staff—Operations, New York City Department of Environmental Protection, 59–17 Junction Blvd., Flushing, NY 11373–5108, (718) 595–6529 or [afiore@dep.nyc.gov](mailto:afiore@dep.nyc.gov).

i. *FERC Contact*: John Mudre, (202) 502–8902 or [john.mudre@ferc.gov](mailto:john.mudre@ferc.gov).

j. *Deadline for filing scoping comments*: July 13, 2012.

All documents 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 at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at 1–866–208–3676, or for TTY, (202) 502–8659. 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.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all interveners 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 intervener 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 is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. *Project facilities would include*: (1) An existing 2,800-foot-long, 45-foot-wide earthen embankment dam with a crest elevation of 1,175.0 feet above mean sea level; (2) an existing 800-foot-long stone masonry spillway; (3) an existing 12-mile-long, 4,670-acre impoundment (Cannonsville Reservoir); (4) four proposed penstocks branching from an existing 12-foot-diameter intake; (5) a proposed 168-foot-long by 54-foot-wide powerhouse containing four horizontal shaft Francis generating units; (6) a proposed tailrace occupying

approximately one acre; (7) a proposed transmission system consisting of a 150-foot-long underground and 1,200-foot-long overhead 12.47-kilovolt (kV) line, a substation, and a 460-foot-long overhead 46-kV line; and (8) appurtenant facilities. The project would have a total installed capacity of 14.08 megawatts and would generate approximately 42,281 megawatt-hours of electricity annually.

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.

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 this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

#### n. Scoping Process

The Commission intends to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) on the project in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act. The EA will consider both site-specific and cumulative environmental impacts and reasonable alternatives to the proposed action.

#### Scoping Meetings

FERC staff will conduct one agency scoping meeting and one public meeting. The agency scoping meeting will focus on resource agency and non-governmental organization (NGO) concerns, while the public scoping meeting is primarily for public input. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend one or both of the meetings, and to assist the staff in identifying the scope of the environmental issues that should be analyzed in the EA. The times and locations of these meetings are as follows:

#### Agency Scoping Meeting

*Date*: Wednesday, June 13, 2012.

*Time*: 1:00 p.m.

*Place*: Homewood Suites Hotel.

*Address*: 3603 Vestal Parkway East, Vestal, NY.

#### Public Scoping Meeting

*Date*: Wednesday June 13, 2012.

*Time*: 7:00 p.m.

*Place*: Walton Veterans Club.

*Address*: 10 Park Street, Walton, NY.

Copies of the Scoping Document (SD1) outlining the subject areas to be addressed in the EA are being distributed to the parties on the Commission's mailing list and the applicant's distribution list. Copies of the SD1 will be available at the scoping meeting or may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link (see item m above).

#### Environmental Site Review

The Applicant and FERC staff will conduct a project Environmental Site Review beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday June 13, 2012. All interested individuals, organizations, and agencies are invited to attend. All participants should meet in the parking lot at the Cannonsville Dam at 10:00 a.m. The dam is located about 4 miles east of the town of Deposit, New York on State Highway 10. All participants are responsible for their own transportation to the site. Anyone with questions about the Environmental Site Review (or needing directions) should contact Ms. Zinnia Rodriguez at (718) 595–6553, or [zinniar@dep.nyc.gov](mailto:zinniar@dep.nyc.gov). Those individuals planning to participate in the Environmental Site Review should notify Ms. Zinnia of their intent no later than June 6, 2012.

#### Objectives

At the scoping meetings, the staff will: (1) Summarize the environmental issues tentatively identified for analysis in the EA; (2) solicit from the meeting participants all available information, especially quantifiable data, on the resources at issue; (3) encourage statements from experts and the public on issues that should be analyzed in the EA, including viewpoints in opposition to, or in support of, the staff's preliminary views; (4) determine the resource issues to be addressed in the EA; and (5) identify those issues that require a detailed analysis, as well as those issues that do not require a detailed analysis.

#### Procedures

The meetings are recorded by a stenographer and become part of the formal record of the Commission proceeding on the project.

Individuals, organizations, and agencies with environmental expertise and concerns are encouraged to attend the meetings and to assist the staff in defining and clarifying the issues to be addressed in the EA.

Dated: May 14, 2012.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER12-1769-000]

#### Viridian Energy NG, LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of Viridian Energy NG, LLC's application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR Part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests with regard to the applicant's request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR Part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability, is June 4, 2012.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://www.ferc.gov>. To facilitate electronic service, persons with Internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The filings in the above-referenced proceeding are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also 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](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Dated: May 14, 2012.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL12-68-000]

#### Alta Wind VII, LLC, Alta Wind IX, LLC, Alta Wind X, LLC, Alta Wind XI, LLC, Alta Wind XII, LLC, Alta Wind XIII, LLC, Alta Wind XIV, LLC, Alta Wind XV, LLC, Alta Windpower Development, LLC, TGP Development Company, LLC; Notice of Petition for Declaratory Order

Take notice that on May 10, 2012, pursuant to Rule 207 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.207, Alta Wind VII, LLC, Alta Wind IX, LLC, Alta Wind X, LLC, Alta Wind XI, LLC, Alta Wind XII, LLC, Alta Wind XIII, LLC, Alta Wind XIV, LLC, Alta Wind XV, LLC, Alta Windpower Development, LLC, and TGP Development Company, LLC (collectively, Petitioners), jointly submitted a Petition for Declaratory Order requesting the Commission to (1) confirm the Petitioners' priority to firm transmission rights to the capacity of three transmission lines to be constructed by Alta VII and Alta IX to interconnect the full planned capacity of Petitioners' wind and solar generation projects to the integrated transmission grid and (2) waive Order Numbers 888, 889, and 890, and the Standards of Conduct, unless and until a third party submits a valid request for transmission service.

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, 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. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. 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 14 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](mailto: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 11, 2012.

Dated: May 14, 2012.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL12-57-000]

#### MidAmerican Energy Company; Notice of Petition for Declaratory Order

Take notice that on April 20, 2012, pursuant to Rule 207 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.207, MidAmerican Energy Company, submitted a petition requesting the Commission to issue a declaratory order approving proposed re-delineation and re-classification of its electric facilities between transmission and local distribution.

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, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the