- (ii) An unanticipated event has occurred; or
- (iii) The use of normal clearance procedures is reasonably likely to prevent or disrupt the collection of information or is reasonably likely to cause a statutory or court ordered deadline to be missed.
- (b) The agency shall state the time period within which OMB should approve or disapprove the collection of information.

**Statutory Authority:** Title IV, H.R. 1 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

Issued in Washington, DC on March 9, 2010.

#### Patrick Davis,

Program Manager, Office of Vehicles Technology, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

[FR Doc. 2010–6596 Filed 3–24–10; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450–01–P

#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Proposed Agency Information Collection

**AGENCY:** U.S. Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice and request for OMB review and comment.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on a proposed emergency collection of information that DOE is developing to collect data on the status of activities, project progress, jobs created and retained, spend rates and performance metrics under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Comments regarding this collection must be received on or before April 8, 2010. Written comments should be sent to the person listed in **ADDRESSES** below. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments

within that period, contact the person listed in **ADDRESSES** as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Matthew Dunne, Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., AR–1/955 L'Enfant Plaza, Washington, DC 20585. Or by fax at 202–287–5450, or by e-mail at Matthew.Dunne@hq.doe.gov and DOE Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection guidance and/or collection instrument should be directed to Matthew Dunne at matthew.dunne@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This emergency information collection request contains: (1) OMB No.: New; (2) Information Collection Request Title: Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy (ARPA-E); (3) Type of Review: Emergency; (4) Purpose: To collect data on the status of activities, project progress, jobs created and retained, spend rates and performance metrics under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. This will ensure adequate information is available to support sound project management and to meet the transparency and accountability associated with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act by requesting approval for monthly reporting. (5) Annual Estimated Number of Respondents: 100 (6) Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses: 1200 (7) Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours: 4,800 (8) Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: \$523,200. (9) Type of Respondents: Recipients of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funding.

An agency head or the Senior Official, or their designee, may request OMB to authorize emergency processing of submissions of collections of information.

- (a) Any such request shall be accompanied by a written determination that:
  - (1) The collection of information:
- (i) Is needed prior to the expiration of time periods established under this Part; and
- (ii) Is essential to the mission of the agency; and
- (2) The agency cannot reasonably comply with the normal clearance procedures under this Part because:

- (i) Public harm is reasonably likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed;
- (ii) An unanticipated event has occurred; or
- (iii) The use of normal clearance procedures is reasonably likely to prevent or disrupt the collection of information or is reasonably likely to cause a statutory or court ordered deadline to be missed.
- (b) The agency shall state the time period within which OMB should approve or disapprove the collection of information.

Statutory Authority: America COMPETES Act (Pub. L. 110–69) establishes the Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy (ARPA—E) under which DOE makes funds available to create transformational new energy technologies and systems through funding and managing research and development (R&D) efforts.

Issued in Washington, DC, on March 9, 2010.

### Arun Majumdar,

Director of ARPA-E, Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy (ARPA-E). [FR Doc. 2010–6598 Filed 3–24–10; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6450-01-P

## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. EC10-52-000; ES10-29-000; EL10-48-000]

Ameren Corporation, Illinois Power Company, Central Illinois Light Company, Central Illinois Public Service Company, Ameren Energy Resources Company, LLC, AmerenEnergy Resources Generating Company; Notice of Filing

March 18, 2010.

Take notice that on March 15, 2010, Ameren Corporation (Ameren), together with and on behalf of its directly or indirectly owned subsidiaries, filed pursuant to section 203(a) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) and Part 33 of the Regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission), 16 U.S.C. 824b(a) (2009); 18 CFR Part 33 (2009), section 305(a) of the FPA, 16 U.S.C. 825d(a) (2009), and section 204 of the FPA and Part 34 of the Commission's Regulations, 16 U.S.C. 824c (2009); 18 CFR Part 34 (2009), an application requesting the Commission to issue an order approving: (1) Its internal corporate reorganization (Reorganization Transaction) without modification, condition, or a trial-type hearing; (2) a declaratory order that the Reorganization Transaction is not barred under FPA section 305(a); (3) the limited securities issuances and assumption of liabilities; and (4) all other approvals and waivers as necessary for final Commission approval of the Reorganization Transaction by June 17, 2010.

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 e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For 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.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on April 5, 2010.

## Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

[FR Doc. 2010-6572 Filed 3-24-10; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 6717-01-P

### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2744-039]

North Eastern Wisconsin Hydro Inc. (N.E.W. Hydro); Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-**Application Document, and Approving** Use of the Traditional Licensing **Process** 

March 18, 2010.

- a. Type of Filing: Notice of Intent To File License Application and Request To Use the Traditional Licensing Process
  - b. Project No.: 2744-039.
  - c. Date Filed: February 1, 2010.
- d. Submitted by: North Eastern Wisconsin Hydro, Inc. (N.E.W. Hydro)
- e. Name of Project: Menominee/Park Mill Hydroelectric Project.
- f. Location: The project is located Menominee River in Menominee County, Michigan and Marinette County, Wisconsin. No Federal lands are occupied by the project works or located within the project boundary.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: 18 CFR 5.3 of the Commission's regulations.
- h. Applicant Contact: Scott Klabunde, North American Hydro, 116 N. State Street, P.O. Box 167, Neshkoro, WI 54960; (920) 293-4628.
- i. FERC Contact: Mark Ivy, (202) 502-6156 or by e-mail at mark.ivv@ferc.gov.
- j. N.E.W. Hydro filed its request to use the Traditional Licensing Process on February 1, 2010. N.E.W. Hydro issued a public notice of its request on February 3, 2010. In a letter dated March 8, 2010, the Director of the Division of Hydropower Licensing approved N.E.W. Hydro's request to use the Traditional Licensing Process.
- k. With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with: (a) The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR, Part 402; and (b) the Michigan State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by section 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.
- 1. With this notice, we are designating N.E.W. Hydro as the Commission's non-Federal representative for carrying out informal consultation, pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, section 305 of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, and section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

- m. N.E.W. Hydro filed a Pre-Application Document (PAD; including a proposed process plan and schedule) with the Commission, pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.
- n. A copy of the PAD is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site (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 tollfree at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the

address in paragraph h.

- o. The licensee states its unequivocal intent to submit an application for a new license for Project No. 2744-039. Pursuant to 18 CFR 16.8, 16.9, and 16.10 each application for a new license and any competing license applications must be filed with the Commission at least 24 months prior to the expiration of the existing license. All applications for license for this project must be filed by February 28, 2013.
- p. 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.

## Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

[FR Doc. 2010-6569 Filed 3-24-10; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6717-01-P

## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

#### **Federal Energy Regulatory** Commission

[Docket No. IS10-108-000]

## Platte Pipe Line Company; Notice of **Technical Conference**

March 18, 2010.

Take notice that the Commission will convene a technical conference on Thursday, April 22, 2010, at 9 a.m. (EDT), in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The technical conference will address all aspects of Platte's Supplement No. 15 to its FERC Tariff No. 1456 proposing to establish a new prorationing procedure for crude oil volumes moving on both segments of its pipeline system,