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Dated: May 27, 2021.

Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 1981-044]

Oconto Electric Cooperative; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, 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. *Application Type:* Application for Temporary Variance of Reservoir Elevation Requirements.

b. *Project No:* P-1981-044.

c. *Date Filed:* November 16, 2020.

d. *Applicant:* Oconto Electric Cooperative (licensee).

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

f. *Location:* The project is located on the Oconto River in Oconto County, Wisconsin.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Kent A. Lyng, Engineer, Oconto Electric Cooperative, P.O. Box 168, 7479 REA Road, Oconto, WI 54154, Phone: (920) 846-2816 extension 1017.

i. *FERC Contact:* Mark Pawlowski, (202) 502-6052, mark.pawlowski@ferc.gov.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests:* June 10, 2021.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, and protests 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, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.

Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. The first page of any filing should include the docket number P-77-306. Comments emailed to Commission staff are not considered part of the Commission record.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears 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. *Description of Request:* The licensee (or Oconto) requests a 5-foot temporary variance of the minimum impoundment elevation of the Stiles impoundment (Machickanee Flowage) required by Article 401 of the project license. Article 401 requires the licensee maintain a minimum impoundment elevation of 623.2 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum. The purpose of the variance is to reduce invasive plant growth and improve fish habitat. Article 402 of the license requires that any scheduled maintenance impoundment drawdowns below the minimum elevation required by Article 401 must not occur during April, May, and June to protect near-shore fish spawning and nursery activities. The proposed 5-foot drawdown is scheduled to begin in July 2021.

l. *Locations of the Application:* This filing may be viewed on the

Commission's website 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. 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, call 1-866-208-3676 or email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. *Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene:* Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214, respectively. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments 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.

o. *Filing and Service of Documents:* Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (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 commenting, protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis. Any filing made by an intervenor must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2010.

Dated: May 27, 2021.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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