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Public Participation: In keeping with procedures, members of the public are welcome to observe the business of the Biomass Research and Development Technical Advisory Committee. To attend the meeting and/or to make oral statements regarding any of the items on the agenda, you should contact Laura McCann at 202-586-7766; E-mail: laura.mccann@ee.doe.gov or T.J. Heibel at (410) 997-7778 ext. 223; E-mail: theibel@bcs-hq.com. You must make your request for an oral statement at least 5 business days before the meeting. Members of the public will be heard in the order in which they sign up at the beginning of the meeting. Reasonable provision will be made to include the scheduled oral statements on the agenda. The Chair of the Committee will make every effort to hear the views of all interested parties. If you would like to file a written statement with the Committee, you may do so either before or after the meeting. The Chair will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting will be available for public review and copying at <http://www.brdissolutions.com/publications/default.aspx#meetings>.

Issued at Washington, DC, on March 4, 2010.

Rachel Samuel,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12715-002]

Fairlawn Hydroelectric Company, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

March 4, 2010.

On January 4, 2010, the Fairlawn Hydroelectric Company, LLC filed an application, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of the Jennings

Randolph Project, to be located the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Jennings Randolph Dam, on the North Branch Potomac River, Garrett County, Maryland, and Mineral County, West Virginia.

The proposed project would utilize the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Jennings Randolph Dam and would consist of: (1) A proposed intake structure to be built on the upstream face of the dam; (2) a 720-foot-long penstock through the dam; (3) a proposed powerhouse containing 2 generating units with a total generating capacity of 14.0 MW; (4) a proposed 2/3-mile-long, 138 kV transmission line; (5) a tailrace, and (6) appurtenant facilities. The project would have an estimated average annual generation of 52.0 gigawatts-hours.

Applicant Contact: Mr. M. Clifford Phillips, Advanced Hydro Solutions LLC, 150 North Miller Road, Suite 450 C, Fairlawn, OH 44333, phone (330) 869-8451.

FERC Contact: Michael Spencer, (202) 502-6093.

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. 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 under the "e-Filing" link. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original and eight copies should be mailed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. For more information on how to submit these types of filings please go to the Commission's Web site located at <http://www.ferc.gov/filing-comments.asp>. More information about this project can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>.

Enter the docket number (P-12715) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3372.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13617-000]

KC Hydro LLC; Notice of Competing Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments

March 4, 2010.

On November 6, 2009, KC 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 a hydropower development at North Unit Diversion Dam on the Deschutes River in Deschutes County, Oregon. 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 utilize the existing North Canal Diversion Dam, which is used by three irrigation districts, and would consist of the following new facilities: (1) An approximately 50-foot-long, 8- to 10-foot-diameter penstock to accommodate flows up to 800 cubic feet per second downstream of the dam; (2) a powerhouse containing a Francis turbine with an installed capacity of 1.8 megawatts; (3) an approximately 500-foot-long, 21-kilovolt transmission line; and (4) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of 7.2 gigawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Kelly Sackheim, KC Hydro LLC, 5096 Cocoa Palm Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628, phone: (916) 962-2271, e-mail: oregon@kchydro.com.

FERC Contact: Gina Krump, phone: (202) 502-6704, e-mail: gina.krump@ferc.gov.

Competing Applications: This application competes with Project No. 13560-000 filed August 27, 2009, and Project No. 13639-000 filed December 9, 2009.

Deadline for filing comments and motions to intervene: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Comments and motions to intervene 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/ferconline.asp>) under the "eFiling" link. For a simpler method of submitting text only comments, click on "Quick Comment." For assistance, please

contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov; call toll-free at (866) 208-3676; or, for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and eight 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 Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-13617) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2244-000]

Energy Northwest; Notice of Authorization for Continued Project Operation

March 4, 2010.

On March 7, 2008, Energy Northwest, licensee for the Packwood Lake Hydroelectric Project, filed an Application for a New License pursuant to the Federal Power Act (FPA) and the Commission's regulations thereunder. The Packwood Lake Hydroelectric Project is located on Lake Creek, a tributary to the Cowlitz River, in Lewis County in southwestern Washington.

The license for Project No. 2244 was issued for a period ending February 28, 2010. Section 15(a)(1) of the FPA, 16 U.S.C. 808(a)(1), requires the Commission, at the expiration of a license term, to issue from year-to-year an annual license to the then licensee under the terms and conditions of the prior license until a new license is issued, or the project is otherwise disposed of as provided in section 15 or any other applicable section of the FPA. If the project's prior license waived the applicability of section 15 of the FPA, then, based on section 9(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 558(c), and as set forth at 18 CFR 16.21(a), if the licensee of such project has filed an application for a subsequent license, the licensee may continue to operate the project in accordance with

the terms and conditions of the license after the minor or minor part license expires, until the Commission acts on its application. If the licensee of such a project has not filed an application for a subsequent license, then it may be required, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.21(b), to continue project operations until the Commission issues someone else a license for the project or otherwise orders disposition of the project.

If the project is subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that an annual license for Project No. 2244 is issued to Energy Northwest for a period effective March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011, or until the issuance of a new license for the project or other disposition under the FPA, whichever comes first. If issuance of a new license (or other disposition) does not take place on or before February 28, 2011, notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.18(c), an annual license under section 15(a)(1) of the FPA is renewed automatically without further order or notice by the Commission, unless the Commission orders otherwise. If the project is not subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that Energy Northwest is authorized to continue operation of the Packwood Lake Hydroelectric Project, until such time as the Commission acts on its application for a subsequent license.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Combined Notice of Filings #1

March 4, 2010.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric corporate filings:

Docket Numbers: EC10-44-000.

Applicants: Crescent Ridge, LLC.

Description: Supplemental Information for Crescent Ridge LLC.

Filed Date: 03/04/2010.

Accession Number: 20100304-5045.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, March 15, 2010.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric rate filings:

Docket Numbers: ER10-689-001.

Applicants: Virginia Electric and Power Company.

Description: Dominion Virginia Power submits substitute sheet to the JOA reflects the modifications.

Filed Date: 03/03/2010.

Accession Number: 20100304-0209.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, March 24, 2010.

Docket Numbers: ER10-812-000.

Applicants: Power Choice, Inc.

Description: Application of Power Choice Inc for an Order Accepting Initial Market Based Rate Schedule and Granting Waivers and Blanket Authorizations.

Filed Date: 03/03/2010.

Accession Number: 20100303-0223.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, March 24, 2010.

Docket Numbers: ER10-820-000.

Applicants: Detroit Edison Company.

Description: Detroit Edison Company submits Notice of Cancellation to Open Access Transmission Tariff, FERC Electric Tariff, Original Volume 2 to confirm the cancellation of Detroit Edison's OATT, effective 3/4/2010.

Filed Date: 03/03/2010.

Accession Number: 20100303-0225.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, March 24, 2010.

Docket Numbers: ER10-821-000.

Applicants: Central Maine Power Company

Description: Central Maine Power Company submits its Engineering and procurement Agreement dated February 3, 2010 with Spruce Mt Wind, LLC designated as Original Service Agreement CMP-EP-2-S under Schedule 23 etc.

Filed Date: 03/03/2010.

Accession Number: 20100303-0224.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday, March 24, 2010.

Docket Numbers: ER10-822-000.

Applicants: Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

Description: Southwest Power Pool, Inc. submits an executed Meter Agent Service Agreement with Westar Energy, Inc Generation Services.

Filed Date: 03/02/2010.

Accession Number: 20100303-0220.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, March 23, 2010.

Docket Numbers: ER10-823-000.

Applicants: Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

Description: Southwest Power Pool, Inc submits an executed service agreement for Network Integration Transmission Service with Westar Energy, Inc. et al.

Filed Date: 03/02/2010.

Accession Number: 20100303-0221.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Tuesday, March 23, 2010.

Docket Numbers: ER10-824-000.