

the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10).

As a matter of practice, the Commission itself generally acts on requests for extensions of time to complete construction for Natural Gas Act facilities when such requests are contested before order issuance. For those extension requests that are contested,<sup>3</sup> the Commission will aim to issue an order acting on the request within 45 days.<sup>4</sup> The Commission will address all arguments relating to whether the applicant has demonstrated there is good cause to grant the extension.<sup>5</sup> The Commission will not consider arguments that re-litigate the issuance of the certificate order, including whether the Commission properly found the project to be in the public convenience and necessity and whether the Commission's environmental analysis for the certificate complied with the National Environmental Policy Act.<sup>6</sup> At the time a pipeline requests an extension of time, orders on certificates of public convenience and necessity are final and the Commission will not re-litigate their issuance.<sup>7</sup> The OEP Director, or his or her designee, will act on all of those extension requests that are uncontested.

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The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, 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 three copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on, August 9, 2023.

Dated: July 25, 2023.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project Nos. 2375-123 & 8277-072]

#### Andro Hydro, LLC; 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:* Non-capacity Amendment of License.
- b. *Project Nos:* 2375-123 & 8277-072.
- c. *Date Filed:* June 15, 2023.
- d. *Applicant:* Andro Hydro, LLC (licensee).
- e. *Name of Projects:* Riley-Jay-Livermore Hydroelectric Project and Otis Hydroelectric Project.
- f. *Location:* The projects are located on the Androscoggin River in Oxford, Franklin, and Androscoggin counties in Maine.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791a-825r.
- h. *Applicant Contact:* David Fox, Senior Director, Regulatory Affairs; Andro Hydro, LLC; c/o Eagle Creek Renewable Energy, LLC; 7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1100W; Bethesda, MD 20814; (240) 482-2700; [david.fox@eaglecreekre.com](mailto:david.fox@eaglecreekre.com).
- i. *FERC Contact:* Chris Chaney, (202) 502-6778, [christopher.chaney@ferc.gov](mailto:christopher.chaney@ferc.gov).
- j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests is 30 days from the issuance of this notice by the Commission.*

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](mailto: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, MD 20852. The first page of any filing should include the docket numbers P-2375-123 & P-8277-072. 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 proposes to change both points of interconnection for the projects' transmission lines from the Androscoggin Mill (Mill) to an existing switchyard adjacent to the Mill. The licensee states the change is necessary due to the Mill ceasing operations as of April 2023, which caused the projects to lose their interconnection with the utility grid. For the Riley-Jay-Livermore Project: the Riley Development's transmission line would shorten from one mile to approximately 2,200 feet long, the Jay Development's transmission line would lengthen from 6,000 feet long to 1.7 miles long, and the Livermore Development's transmission line would connect at the Jay Development's switchyard. For the Otis Project, the transmission line would lengthen from 3 miles long to 3.8 miles long. To interconnect at the new point, the licensee would also make changes to appurtenant transmission equipment.

The licensee states all work would be along existing disturbed areas, including dirt roads, driveways, and paved areas in rights of way, which are regularly disturbed due to maintenance of existing poles and lines, parking areas, and driveways. The application includes revised Exhibit G drawings to reflect the addition of approximately 3.9

<sup>3</sup> Contested proceedings are those where an intervenor disputes any material issue of the filing. 18 CFR 385.2201(c)(1) (2019).

<sup>4</sup> *Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC*, 170 FERC ¶ 61,144, at P 40 (2020).

<sup>5</sup> *Id.* at P 40.

<sup>6</sup> Similarly, the Commission will not re-litigate the issuance of an NGA section 3 authorization, including whether a proposed project is not inconsistent with the public interest and whether the Commission's environmental analysis for the permit order complied with NEPA.

<sup>7</sup> *Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC*, 170 FERC ¶ 61,144, at P 40 (2020).

acres of land to the Riley-Jay-Livermore Project boundary, and approximately 5.3 acres of land to the Otis Project boundary due the change in interconnection point. The licensee is not proposing any changes to project operations, recreation facilities, or public access.

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 [FEROnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FEROnlineSupport@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.

p. The Commission's Office of Public Participation (OPP) supports meaningful public engagement and participation in Commission proceedings. OPP can help members of the public, including landowners, environmental justice communities, Tribal members and others, access publicly available information and navigate Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202)502-6595 or [OPP@ferc.gov](mailto:OPP@ferc.gov).

Dated: July 25, 2023.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP23-515-000]

#### **Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc.; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization and Establishing Intervention and Protest Deadline**

Take notice that on July 17, 2023 Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc. (Southern Star), 4700 State Route 56, Owensboro, Kentucky 42301., filed in the above referenced docket, a prior notice request pursuant to sections 157.205 and 157.216(b) of the Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA), and Southern Star's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP82-479-000, for authorization to abandon two wells in Southern Star's South Welda Storage Field in Anderson County, Kansas and one well in Southern Star's Piqua Storage Field in Woodson County, Kansas. (South Welda and Piqua Well Abandonment Project). The Project will allow Southern Star to comply with its Storage Integrity Management Plan implementing the storage integrity regulations of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Administration. The estimated cost for the project is \$153,902, all as more fully set forth in the request which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

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Any questions concerning this request should be directed to Cindy Thompson, Director, Regulatory, Compliance, and Information Governance, Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc., 4700 State Route 56, Owensboro, Kentucky 42301, by phone at 270-852-4655, or by email to [cindy.thompson@southernstar.com](mailto:cindy.thompson@southernstar.com).

### Public Participation

There are three ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project: you can file a protest to the project, you can file a motion to intervene in the proceeding, and you can file comments on the project. There is no fee or cost for filing protests, motions to intervene, or comments. The deadline for filing protests, motions to intervene, and comments is 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on September 25, 2023. How to file protests, motions to intervene, and comments is explained below.

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### Protests

Pursuant to section 157.205 of the Commission's regulations under the NGA,<sup>1</sup> any person<sup>2</sup> or the Commission's staff may file a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed or if a protest is filed and then withdrawn within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days

<sup>1</sup> 18 CFR 157.205.

<sup>2</sup> Persons include individuals, organizations, businesses, municipalities, and other entities. 18 CFR 385.102(d).