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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13876-000]

South Run Pumped Storage, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

December 13, 2010.

On October 26, 2010, South Run Pumped Storage, LLC, Massachusetts, filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the South Run Pumped Storage Project (South Run Project or project) to be located on South Run, near Norton, Medina and Summit counties, Ohio. 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 consist of: (1) An excavated, diked, and asphalt-lined 255-acre upper reservoir having a maximum water surface area of about 195 acres and a total volume of 7,805 acre-feet; (2) a 7,760-acre-foot capacity underground lower reservoir, 2,200 feet below ground surface, created by previous limestone mining activities; (3) a diversion channel around the west and south sides of the upper reservoir with sufficient capacity to carry a 100-year flood flow of 1,170 cubic feet per second; (4) a 28-foot-diameter, 7,000-foot-long, concrete-lined power tunnel located 300 feet below the ground surface that extends from the upper reservoir to two 17.5-foot-diameter, 2,400-foot-long concrete-lined vertical shafts connecting the power tunnel with the underground powerhouse penstocks; (5) six 6-foot-3-inch diameter, 235-foot-long, steel-and concrete-lined penstocks; (6) an

underground powerhouse containing six 250-megawatt (MW) reversible pump-turbines; (7) an underground transformer gallery; (8) a 3-mile-long, 345-kilovolt overhead transmission line; and (9) appurtenant facilities. The estimated annual generation of the South Run Project would be between 1,300 and 2,000 gigawatt-hours, depending on utilization factors. There are no Federal or state lands associated with the project.

Applicant Contact: Daniel R. Irvin, Free Flow Power Corporation, 33 Commercial Street, Gloucester, MA 01930; phone: (978) 252-7631.

FERC Contact: Sergiu Serban; phone: (202) 502-6211.

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. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36. 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 <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. 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.

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-13876-000) 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. 13213-001]

Lock 14 Hydro Partners; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, and Approving Use of the Traditional Licensing Process

December 10, 2010.

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File License Application and Request to Use the Traditional Licensing Process.

b. *Project No.:* 13213-001.

c. *Dated Filed:* October 12, 2010.

d. *Submitted By:* Lock 14 Hydro Partners.

e. *Name of Project:* Kentucky Lock and Dam 14 Project.

f. *Location:* On the Kentucky River, in Lee County, Kentucky.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR 4.6 of the Commission's regulations.

h. *Potential Applicant Contact:* David Brown Kinloch, Soft Energy Associates, Agent for Lock 14 Hydro Partners, 414 South Wenzel Street, Louisville, KY 40204, (502) 589-0975.

i. *FERC Contact:* Sean Murphy at (202) 502-6145; or e-mail at sean.murphy@ferc.gov.

j. Lock 14 Hydro Partners filed its request to use the Traditional Licensing Process on October 11, 2010. Lock 14 Hydro Partners provided public notice of its request on November 15, 2010. In a letter dated December 10, 2010, the Director of the Office of Energy Projects approved Lock 14 Hydro Partners' 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 and/or NOAA Fisheries under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR, part 402; (b) NOAA Fisheries under section 305(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and implementing regulations at 50 CFR 600.920; and (c) the Kentucky State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by Section 106, National Historical Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.

l. Lock 14 Hydro Partners 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.

m. 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 toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in paragraph h.

n. Register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/subscription.asp> to be notified via e-mail of new filing and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[P-13214-001]

Lock 12 Hydro Partners; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, and Approving Use of the Traditional Licensing Process

December 10, 2010.

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File License Application and Request to Use the Traditional Licensing Process.

b. *Project No.:* 13214-001.

c. *Dated Filed:* October 12, 2010.

d. *Submitted by:* Lock 12 Hydro Partners.

e. *Name of Project:* Kentucky Lock and Dam 12 Project.

f. *Location:* On the Kentucky River, in Estill County, Kentucky.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR 4.6 of the Commission's regulations.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13841-000]

County of DuPage; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

December 10, 2010.

On September 21, 2010, the County of DuPage, Illinois, filed an application for

a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Elmhurst Quarry Pumped Storage Project (Elmhurst Quarry Project or project) to be located on Salt Creek, near Elmhurst City, DuPage County, Illinois. 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 consist of the following: (1) A surface quarry (upper reservoir) having a total storage capacity of 8,145 acre-feet at a normal maximum operating elevation of 667 feet mean sea level (msl) and a usable capacity of 7,465 acre-feet; (2) an upper inlet/outlet structure equipped with trash racks and one or two slide gates for isolating and dewatering the penstock; (3) an 870-foot-long, 28-foot-diameter penstock consisting of both shaft and tunnel segments and extending between the upper inlet/outlet and the pump/turbines below; (4) an underground mine (lower reservoir) 250 feet below the bottom of the upper reservoir having a total/usable storage capacity of 7,465 acre-feet at normal maximum operation elevation of 210 feet msl; (5) a powerhouse with approximate dimensions of 185 feet long by 80 feet wide by 120 feet high and containing two vertical Francis reversible pump/turbine-motor/generator units rated for 125 megawatts each at 415 feet of net head; (6) a 120-foot-long, 28-foot-diameter tailrace tunnel connecting the pump/turbine draft tubes with the lower inlet/outlet; (7) a lower inlet/outlet structure equipped with one or two slide gates for isolating and dewatering the tailrace tunnel; (8) a substation containing step-up transformers, circuit breakers, and disconnect switches; (9) an underground 2-mile-long, 138-kilovolt (kV) transmission line extending from the project substation to an overhead 138-kV transmission line owned by Commonwealth Edison (the point of interconnection); (10) a switchyard constructed at the point of interconnection; and (11) appurtenant facilities. The estimated annual generation of the Elmhurst Quarry Project would be 708.5 gigawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Mr. Anthony Charlton, Director, Department of Environmental Concerns, DuPage County Center, 421 N. County Farm Road, Wheaton, Illinois 60187; phone: (630) 407-6698.