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More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-13986-000) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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Kimberly D. Bose,

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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[Project No. 13985-000]

Northland Power Mississippi River LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On January 3, 2011, Northland Power Mississippi River LLC filed an application, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of hydropower on the Mississippi River, near the town of New Orleans, in Jefferson and Orleans Parishes, Louisiana. 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 NPI 017 hydrokinetic project would consist of the following: (1) Up to 180 TREK generating units installed in a matrix on the bottom of the river; (2) the total capacity of the installation would be up to 45,000 kilowatts; (3) shielded underwater cables would convey each matrix's power to a substation; and (4) a transmission line would interconnect with the power grid. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of 394.0 gigawatt-hours (GWh), which would be sold to a local utility.

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[Docket No. RM10-23-000]

Transmission Planning and Cost Allocation by Transmission Owning and Operating Public Utilities; Notice of Staff Informational Conferences

Take notice that Commission staff will convene three informational conferences to discuss the requirements of Order No. 1000.¹ The Commission directed its staff to hold the informational conferences to assist public utility transmission providers in their efforts to comply with Order No. 1000.²

The first informational conference will be held on Monday, September 12, 2011, beginning at 1 p.m. (EDT) and will focus on compliance issues related to Regional Transmission Organizations (RTOs) and Independent System Operators (ISOs). The first informational conference is scheduled to end by 4 p.m. (EDT).

The second informational conference will be held on Tuesday, September 13, 2011, beginning at 9 a.m. (EDT) and will

¹ *Transmission Planning and Cost Allocation by Transmission Owning and Operating Public Utilities*, Order No. 1000, 76 FR 49,842 (Aug. 11, 2011), 136 FERC ¶ 61,051 (2011).

² *Id.* P. 14.