

feet east of ANR's Woolfolk Compressor Station for the withdrawal of the natural gas; and

- The clearing and regrading of a previously disturbed 200-foot-square area adjacent to gas well #124 in the Austin Storage Field for the placement of a nitrogen generator, three 700 hp air compressors, and a 500 hp compressor for nitrogen injection.

All equipment would be temporary (skid-mounted) and would be installed at an existing well location or along existing pipeline right-of-way. The location of the project facilities is shown in Appendix 2.

#### Land Requirements for Construction

The proposed activities would be performed within a 0.92 acre area of the existing right-of-way.

#### The EA Process

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impacts that could result from an action whenever it considers the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. NEPA also requires us to discover and address concerns the public may have about proposals. We call this "scoping". The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the EA on the important environmental issues. By this Notice of Intent, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of the issues it will address in the EA. All comments received are considered during the preparation of the EA. State and local government representatives are encouraged to notify their constituents of the proposed action and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

The EA will discuss impacts that could occur as a result of activities associated with the proposed project under these general headings:

- Geology and Soils.
- Water Resources, Fisheries, and Wetlands.
- Vegetation and Wildlife.
- Endangered and Threatened Species.
- Public Safety.
- Land Use.
- Cultural Resources.
- Air Quality and Noise.

We will also evaluate possible alternatives to the proposed project or portions of the project, and make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid impacts on the various resource areas.

Our independent analysis of the issues will be in the EA. Depending on the comments received during the

scoping process, the EA may be published and mailed to Federal, state, and local agencies; public interest groups, interested individuals, affected landowners, newspapers, libraries, and the Commission's official service list for this proceeding. A comment period will be allotted for review if the EA is published. We will consider all comments on the EA before we make our recommendations to the Commission.

To ensure your comments are considered, please carefully follow the instructions in the public participation section beginning on page 4 of this notice.

#### Currently Identified Environmental Issues

We have already identified several issues that we think deserved attention based on a preliminary review of the proposed facilities and the environmental information provided by ANR. This preliminary list of issues may be changed based on your comments and our analysis.

- Air and noise impacts associated with the temporary use of air and gas compressors.
- Delineation of the storage field's existing boundary dimensions.

#### Public Participation

You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the project. By becoming a commentator, your concerns will be addressed in the EA and considered by the Commission. You should focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal, alternatives to the proposal (including alternative locations), and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impact. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. Please carefully follow these instructions to ensure that your comments are received in time and properly recorded:

- Send two copies of your letter to: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., N.E., Room 1A Washington, DC 20426;
- Label one copy of the comments for the attention of the Environmental Review and Compliance Branch, PR-11.2;
- Reference Docket No. CP99-138-000; and
- Mail your comments so that they will be received in Washington, DC on or before April 7, 1999.

#### Becoming an Intervenor

In addition to involvement in the EA scoping process, you may want to

become an official party to the proceeding known as an "intervenor". Intervenor play a more formal role in the process. Among other things, intervenors have the right to receive copies of case-related Commission documents and filings by other intervenors. Likewise, each intervenor must provide 14 copies of its filings to the Secretary of the Commission and must send a copy of its filings to all other parties on the Commission's service list for this proceeding. If you want to become an intervenor you must file a motion to intervene according to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214) (see appendix 3). Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision.

The date for filing timely motions to intervene in this proceeding has passed. Therefore, parties now seeking to file late interventions must show good cause, as required by section 385.214(b)(3), why this time limitation should be waived. Environmental issues have been viewed as good cause for late intervention. You do not need intervenor status to have your environmental comments considered.

Additional information about the proposed project is available from Mr. Paul McKee of the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (202) 208-1088 or on the FERC website ([www.ferc.fed.us](http://www.ferc.fed.us)) using the "RIMS" link to information in this docket number. For assistance with access to RIMS, the RIMS helpline can be reached at (202) 208-2222. Access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission with regard to this docket, such as orders and notices, is also available on the FERC website using the "CIPS" link. For assistance with access to CIPS, the CIPS helpline can be reached at (202) 208-2474.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission and Soliciting Additional Study Requests

March 5, 1999.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

- Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.*: 1960–002.

c. *Date Filed*: February 19, 1999.

d. *Applicant*: Dairyland Power Cooperative—Wisconsin.

e. *Name of Project*: Flambeau Hydroelectric Station.

f. *Location*: On the Flambeau River in Rusk County, Wisconsin. The project does not utilize federal lands.

g. *Filed Pursuant to*: Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. §§ 791(a)–825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact*: Mr. William L. Berg, Dairyland Power Cooperative, 3200 East Avenue South, La Cross, WI 54601, (608) 788–4000.

i. *FERC Contact*: Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Mark Pawlowski, E-mail address mark.pawlowski@ferc.fed.us, or telephone 202–219–2795.

j. *Deadline for filing additional study requests*: April 20, 1999.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

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. *Status of environmental analysis*: This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. *Description of the Project*: The project consists of the following existing facilities: (1) a right earthen dam, 2,570 feet-long and a left earthen dam 2,130 feet-long, separated by a 138 foot-long gated spillway section with a crest elevation of 1157.0 feet NGVD; (2) a 1,900-acre reservoir with a normal water surface elevation of 1183.48 feet NGVD; (3) a powerhouse containing 3 vertical Kaplan turbines each connected to generator units for a total installed capacity of 15,000 kW; and (4) appurtenant facilities. The average annual energy generation is 60,727,590 kWh.

m. *Locations of the application*: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, D.C. 20426, or by calling (202) 208–1371. This filing may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm> (call 202–208–2222 for assistance). A copy is

also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

n. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer as required by § 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR 800.4.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Transfer of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Protests

March 5, 1999.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. *Application Type*: Transfer of License.

b. *Project No.*: 7115–029.

c. *Date Filed*: February 8, 1999.

d. *Applicant*: Southeastern Hydro-Power, Inc. and Homestead Energy Resources, LLC.

e. *Name of Project*: George W. Andrews.

f. *Location*: At the Corps of Engineers George W. Andrews Lock and Dam on the Chattahoochee River in Houston County, Alabama and Early County, Georgia. The project occupies federal lands managed by the Corps of Engineers.

g. *Filed Pursuant to*: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. Section 8.

h. *Applicant Contact*: Mr. Charles B. Mierek, 5250 Clifton-Glendale Road, Spartanburg, SC 29307, (864) 579–4405.

i. *FERC Contact*: Any questions on this notice should be addressed to James Hunter, e-mail address: James.Hunter@ferc.fed.us, or telephone: (202) 219–2939.

j. *Deadline for filing comments and or motions*: April 14, 1999.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: David P. Boergers, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Mail Code: DLC, HL–11.1, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC 20426.

Please include the project number (P–7115–029) on any comments or motions filed.

k. *Description of Transfer*: Southeastern Hydro-Power, Inc., a

corporation, and Homestead Energy Resources, LLC, a limited liability company, have jointly requested transfer of the license for this project from Southeastern, the current licensee, to Homestead, the proposed transferee.

l. *Locations of the application*: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, D.C. 20426, or by calling (202) 208–1371. The application may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.fed.us/online/rims.htm>. Call (202) 208–2222 for assistance. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

m. *This notice also consists of the following standard paragraphs*: B, C1, and D2.

B. *Comments, Protests, or Motion 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. 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 of the particular application.

C1. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents*—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

D2. *Agency Comments*—Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also