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*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Application for Surrender of Minor Project License and Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Protests

June 20, 2002.

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

- a. *Application Type:* Surrender of Minor Project License
- b. *Project No.:* P-4021
- c. *Date Filed :* June 18, 2002
- d. *Applicant:* Buck Creek Corporation
- e. *Name of Project:* Lake Tahoma

#### Hydroelectric Project

f. *Location:* The project is located on Buck Creek, a tributary to the South Fork Catawba River, a navigable waterway of the United States, near the City of Marion, McDowell County, North Carolina. This project does not utilize Federal or Tribal lands.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* B. Dan Marks, Ph.D., P.E., C/o Marks Enterprises of NC, PLLC, One Palatka Drive, Arden, North Carolina 28704, (828) 684-9804

i. *FERC Contact:* Shannon Dunn at [shannon.dunn@ferc.gov](mailto:shannon.dunn@ferc.gov), or telephone (202) 208-0853.

j. *Cooperating agencies:* We are asking Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the environmental document. Agencies who would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing comments described in item k below.

k. *Deadline for filing comments, motions, or protests and requests for cooperating agency status:* July 24, 2002

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper; see 18 CFR

385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site under the "e-Filing" link.

Please include the project number (P-4021) on any comments or motions filed.

l. *Description of Project:* Buck Creek Corporation, licensee for the Lake Tahoma Hydroelectric Project (Project), requests to surrender its minor project license for the existing, non-operational Project.

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, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. The application may be viewed on the web at [www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov). Call (202) 208-2222 for assistance. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

n. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

o. *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. 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.

p. *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 be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment and Notice of Paper Scoping and Soliciting Scoping Comments

June 20, 2002.

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

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 5334-019.

c. *Date filed:* October 2, 2001.

d. *Applicant:* Charter Township of Ypsilanti.

e. *Name of Project:* Ford Lake Hydroelectric Station.

f. *Location:* On the Huron River, Washtenaw County, within the township of Ypsilanti, MI. The project does not affect Federal lands.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 USC §§ 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Ms. Joann Brinker, Administrative Services/ Human Resources Director, Charter Township of Ypsilanti, 7200 South Huron River Drive, Ypsilanti, MI 48197, (734) 484-0065.

i. *FERC Contact:* Monte TerHaar, (202) 219-2768 or [monte.terhaar@ferc.gov](mailto:monte.terhaar@ferc.gov).

j. *Deadline for filing scoping comments:* 30 days from issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper; see 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site under the "e-Filing" link.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all interveners filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervener 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.

Scoping comments may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "e-Filing" link.

k. This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. The existing Ford Lake Hydroelectric Project consists of: (1) A 1,050 acre reservoir; (2) a 110-foot-long earth embankment dam; (3) a 46.5-foot powerhouse with 2 hydroelectric turbines; (4) a 172-foot-long spillway with six bays, each with a 6-foot by 8-foot sluice gate; (5) a 380-foot-long earth embankment; (6) a 175-foot-long emergency spillway; (7) two vertical shaft turbine/generator units with an installed capacity of 1,920 kilowatts at normal pool elevation; and (8) appurtenant facilities. The project operates run-of-river with a normal reservoir elevation maintained between 684.4 and 684.9 feet M.S.L. Average annual generation between 1995 and 2000 has been 8,664 megawatthours. Generated power is sold to Detroit Power. No new facilities are proposed.

m. A copy of the application is on file with the Commission and is available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link—select "Docket #" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item g above.

n. Scoping Process—Scoping is intended to advise all parties regarding the proposed scope of the EA and to seek additional information pertinent to this analysis. The Commission intends to prepare one Environmental Assessment (EA) on the project in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act. The EA will consider both site-specific and cumulative environmental impacts and reasonable alternatives to the proposed action. Should substantive comments requiring reanalysis be received on the NEPA document, we would consider preparing a subsequent NEPA document.

At this time, the Commission staff does not anticipate holding formal public or agency scoping meetings near the project site. Instead, staff will conduct paper scoping.

A Scoping Document (SD) outlining the subject areas to be addressed in the EA were distributed to the parties on the Commission's mailing list. Copies of the SD may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance).

As part of scoping the staff will: (1) Summarize the environmental issues tentatively identified for analysis in the EA; (2) solicit from comments all available information, especially

quantifiable data, on the resources at issue; (3) encourage comments from experts and the public on issues that should be analyzed in the EA, including viewpoints in opposition to, or in support of, the staff's preliminary views; (4) determine the resource issues to be addressed in the EA; and (5) identify those issues that require a detailed analysis, as well as those issues that do not require a detailed analysis. Consequently, interested entities are requested to file with the Commission any data and information concerning environmental resources and land uses in the project area and the subject project's impacts to the aforementioned.

o. The preliminary schedule for preparing the subject EA is as follows:

Milestone	Target date
Conduct Paper Scoping ..	June/ July 2002.
Additional Information (if needed).	Aug. 2002.
Issue Notice of Ready for Environmental Analysis.	Oct. 2002.
Deadline for Filing Agency Recommendations.	Dec. 2002.
Issue Notice of availability of EA.	May 2003.
Public Comments on EA Due.	July 2003.
Ready for Commission decision on the application.	Sept. 2003.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions To Intervene, Protests, and Comments

June 20, 2002.

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

- a. *Type of Application:* Preliminary Permit.
- b. *Project No.:* 12179-000.
- c. *Date filed:* June 3, 2002.
- d. *Applicant:* Renewable Power and Light of Saylorville, LLC.
- e. *Name of Project:* Saylorville Project.
- f. *Location:* On the Des Moines River, Polk County, Iowa utilizing the Saylorville Dam administered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Timothy Belinski, Renewable Power and Light of Saylorville, LLC, 115 Aspen Business Center, Aspen, CO 81611, (970)920-6597, E-mail [thelinski@obermeye.com](mailto:thelinski@obermeye.com).

i. *FERC Contact:* Robert Bell, (202) 219-2806.

j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene, protests and comments: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper; see 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site under the "e-Filing" link.

Please include the project number (P-12179-000) on any comments or motions filed.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all interveners filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person in the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervener 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 Project:* The proposed project would utilize the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Saylorville Dam and would consist of: (1) Thirty-six new 280-kW submersible bulb-type generating units mounted on three independent moveable racks for a total installed capacity of 10,080-kW; (2) six new 4,160-volt buried cables and a 100-pair buried control cable; (3) a new 30-foot-square generator control building; (4) a new 45-foot-long, 30-foot-wide 4.16-kV/13.8-kV switchyard; (5) a new 7,000-foot-long, 13.8-kV transmission line; and (6) appurtenant facilities.

Applicant estimates that the average annual generation would be 50,000 MWh and would be sold to a local utility

l. 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, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. This filing is also available for review at the Commission or may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for