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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP02-396-000 and PF01-1-000]

### Greenbrier Pipeline Company, LLC; Notice of Meetings for the Greenbrier Pipeline Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement

November 1, 2002.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) will conduct comment meetings on environmental issues for the proposed Greenbrier Pipeline Project filed in the above-referenced dockets.

The meetings will start at 6:30 p.m. and end at 10 p.m. at the locations listed below:

Monday, November 18, 2002 Person County Office Building, Roxboro, North Carolina 304 South Morgan Street, Roxboro, North Carolina 27573, (336) 597-1720.

Monday, November 18, 2002 Floyd County High School, Floyd, Virginia, 721 Baker Street, Floyd, Virginia 24091, (540) 745-9450.

Tuesday, November 19, 2002 Laurel Park High School, Martinsville, Virginia, 280 Laurel Park Avenue, Martinsville, Virginia 24112, (276) 632-7216.

Tuesday, November 19, 2002 Fayetteville High School, Fayetteville, West Virginia 515 W. Maple Avenue, Fayetteville, West Virginia 25840 (304) 574-0560.

Additional information may be obtained from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at 1 866 208-FERC (3372).

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

### Notice of Application Ready For Environmental Analysis and Soliciting Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Prescriptions

November 1, 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.:* 7000-015.

c. *Date filed:* January 30, 2002.

d. *Applicant:* Orion Power New York GP II, Inc.

e. *Name of Project:* Newton Falls Project.

f. *Location:* On the Oswegatchie River, in St. Lawrence County, New York. This project does not affect federal lands.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Jerry Sabattis, Reliant Energy, 225 Greenfield Parkway, Suite 201, Liverpool, NY 13088, (315) 413-2787 or Sam Hirschy Reliant Energy, 225 Greenfield Parkway, Suite 201, Liverpool, NY 13088, (315) 413-2790.

i. *Commission Contact:* Any questions concerning this notice should be addressed to Janet Hutzel, e-mail address [janet.hutzel@ferc.gov](mailto:janet.hutzel@ferc.gov), or telephone (202) 502-8675.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions:* 60 days from the issuance 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, recommendations, terms and conditions, and prescriptions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. 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.

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors 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 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 has been accepted for filing and is now ready for environmental analysis. At this time we do not anticipate the need for preparing a draft EA. We intend to prepare one environmental document. The EA will include our recommendations for operating procedures and environmental enhancement measures that should be part of any new license issued by the Commission. Recipients will have 45 days to provide the Commission with any comments on that document. All comments on the EA, filed with the Commission, will be considered in an Order taking final action on the license application. However, should substantive comments requiring reanalysis be received on the NEPA document, we would consider preparing a subsequent NEPA document.

l. The Newton Falls Project consists of two developments and has a total installed capacity of 2,220 kilowatts. The upper development includes a 600-foot-long dam, a 650-acre reservoir, a 1,200-foot-long bypassed reach, and a powerhouse with three turbine-generator units having a combined installed capacity of 1,540 kW. The lower development includes a 350-foot-long dam, a 9-acre reservoir, a 300-foot-long bypassed reach, and a powerhouse with one turbine-generator unit having an installed capacity of 680 kW. The upper development powerhouse discharges directly to the lower development impoundment and the project is operated in a storage-and-release peaking mode. The project produces an average of approximately 9,500 megawatt-hours of energy per year.

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 "FERRIS" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

n. The Commission directs, pursuant to Section 4.34(b) of the Regulations (see Order No. 533 issued May 8, 1991, 56 FR 23108, May 20, 1991) that all comments, recommendations, terms and conditions and prescriptions concerning the application be filed with the Commission within 60 days from the