procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, and 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests 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 protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

When the application is ready for environmental analysis, the Commission will issue a public notice requesting comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions. All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title “PROTEST” or “MOTION TO INTERVENE”; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application.

Magalie R. Salas, Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12451–001]

SAF Hydroelectric, LLC; Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission, Soliciting Additional Study Requests, and Establishing Procedures for Licensing and a Deadline for Submission of Final Amendments


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

a. Type of Application: Original major license.

b. Project No.: 12451–001.

c. Date Filed: January 20, 2004.

d. Applicant: SAF Hydroelectric, LLC.

e. Name of Project: Lower St. Anthony Falls Hydroelectric Project.

f. Location: On the Mississippi River, in the Town of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota. The project affects Federal lands.

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

h. Applicant Contact: Douglas A. Spaulding, P.E., Spaulding Consultants, 1433 Utica Avenue South, Suite 162, Minneapolis, MN 55416, (952) 544–8133 or Robert Larson, 33 South 6th Street, Minneapolis, MN 55402, (612) 343–2913.

i. FERC Contact: Kim Carter at (202) 502–6486, or Kim.Carter@ferc.gov.

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 (l) below.

k. Pursuant to section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission’s regulations, if any resource agency, Indian tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than 60 days from the date of filing of the application, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.


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. The Commission’s rules of practice 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 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.

Additional study requests may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. 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. After logging into the e-Filing system, select “Cooperating” and “Cooperating Agency” from the Filing Type Selection screen and continue with the filing process.

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

n. Description of Project: The proposed Lower St. Anthony Falls Hydroelectric Project would be located at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) Lower St. Anthony Falls Lock and Dam and would utilize 5.9 acres of Corps lands. The generation turbines would be located in an auxiliary lock chamber adjacent to the Corp’s main lock chamber. An auxiliary building, storage yard, and buried transmission line would occupy additional Corps lands. The project would operate in a run-of-river mode, according to the Corp’s operating criteria which maintains a constant water surface elevation of 750.0 m.s.l. in the 33.5-acre reservoir.

The proposed project would consist of the following features: (1) 16 turbine/generator units grouped in eight steel modules 6.2-foot-wide by 12.76 feet high having a total installed capacity of 8,980 kilowatts. Each module contains 2 turbine/generator sets (two horizontal rows of 1 unit each) installed in eight stoplog slots on the auxiliary lock structure; (2) a 1,050-foot-long, 13,800-volt buried transmission line; (3) a 21-foot by 81-foot control building to house switchgear and controls; (4) a 20-foot by 30-foot project office and storage building; and (5) appurtenant facilities.

The applicant estimates that the average annual generation would be about 57,434,000 kilowatt-hours.

o. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission’s Web site at http://www.ferc.gov using the “eLibrary” link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits in the docket number field (P–12451). You may also register online at http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm to be notified via e-mail of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. 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) above.

p. You may also register online at http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm to be notified via e-mail of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

q. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the Minnesota State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), as required by § 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR 800.1 et seq.

r. Procedural Schedule and Final Amendments: The application will be
processed according to the following
Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to
the schedule will be made if the
Commission determines it necessary to
do so:

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Unless substantial comments are received in response to the EA, staff
intends to prepare a single EA in this case. If substantial comments are
received in response to the EA, a final EA will be prepared with the following
modifications to the schedule.

Notice of the availability of the final EA: July 2005.


Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no
later than 30 days from the issuance date of this notice.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission

[Project Nos. 2601–007, 2602–005, 2603–
012, and 2619–012]

Duke Power; Notice of Intent To
Prepare an Environmental Assessment
and Notice of Scoping Meetings and
Site Visits and Soliciting Scoping
Comments


Take notice that the following
hydroelectric applications have been
filed with the Commission and are
available for public inspection:

a. Type of Applications: 3 Subsequent
Minor Licenses and 1 New Major
License.

b. Project Nos.: 2601–007, 2602–005, 2603–
012, and 2619–012.

e. Names of Projects: Bryson
Hydroelectric Project No. 2601–007
(Minor); Dillsboro Hydroelectric Project
No. 2602–005 (Minor); Franklin
Hydroelectric Project No. 2603–012
(Minor); and Mission Hydroelectric
Project No. 2619–012 (Major).

f. Location: On the Oconaluftee River,
Swain County, NC; on the Tuckasegee
River, Jackson County, NC; on the Little
Tennessee River, Macon County, NC;
and on the Hiwassee River, Clay
County, NC, respectively. The projects
do not occupy any Federal lands.

g. Filed Pursuant To: Federal Power
Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–825(r).
h. Applicant Contact: Mr. Jeffrey G.
Lineberger; Manager, Hydro Licensing.
Duke Power. 526 South Church Street,
PO Box 1006, Charlotte, NC 28201–
1006.

i. FERC Contact: Lee Emery, (202)
502–9379 or lee.emery@ferc.gov and
Carolyn Holsopple, (202) 502–6407 or
carolyn.holsopple@ferc.gov.

j. Deadline for filing scoping

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.

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 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.

Scoping comments 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.

k. These applications are not ready for
environmental analysis at this time.

l. The proposed Bryson Hydroelectric
Project would operate in a run-of-river
(ROR) mode, within 6 inches of full
pond elevation. Project operation is
dependent on available flow in the
Oconaluftee River. The project consists
of the following features: (1) A 341-foot-
long, 36-foot-high concrete multiple
arch dam, consisting of, from left to
right facing downstream, (a) a concrete,
non-overflow section, (b) two gravity
spillway sections, each surmounted by
a 16.5-foot-wide by 16-foot-high Tainter
gate, and (c) an uncontrolled multiple-
arch spillway with four bays; (2) a 1.5-
mile-long, 38-acre impoundment at
surface elevation 1828.41 feet (ft.) msl
(mean sea level); (3) two intake bays,
each consisting of an 8.5-foot-diameter
steel intake pipe with a grated trashrack
having a clear bar spacing of between
2.25 to 2.5 inches; (4) a powerhouse
containing two turbine/generating units,
having a total installed capacity of 980
kilowatts (kW); (5) a switchyard, with
three single-phased transformers; and
(6) appurtenant facilities. There is no
bypassed stream reach.

Duke Power estimates that the average
annual generation is 5,534,230 kilowatt
hours (kWh). Duke Power uses the
Bryson Project facilities to generate
electricity for use by retail customers
living in the Duke Power-Nantahala
Area.

The proposed Dillsboro Hydroelectric
Project would operate in a ROR mode,
within 6 inches of full pond elevation.
Project operation is dependent on flows
in the Tuckasegee River, which are
affected by Duke Power’s East Fork and
West Fork Tuckasegee River projects
which release flows upstream from the
Dillsboro Project. The Dillsboro Project
consists of the following features: (1) A
310-foot-long, 12-foot-high concrete
masonry dam, consisting of, from left to
right facing downstream, (a) a concrete,
non-overflow section, (b) a 14-foot-long
uncontrolled spillway section, (c) a 20-
foot-long spillway section with two 6-
foot-wide spill gates, (d) a 197-foot-long
uncontrolled spillway section; (e) an 80-
foot-long intake section, and (f) a
concrete, non-overflow section; (2) a
0.8-mile-long, 15-acre impoundment at
elevation 1972.00 ft. msl; (3) two intake
bays, each consisting of a reinforced
concrete flume and grated trashracks
having a clear bar spacing varying from
2.0 to 3.38 inches; (4) a powerhouse
