

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.

*o. Procedural schedule:* The application will be processed according to the following revised hydro licensing schedule.

Notice of application is ready for environmental analysis September 2007.

Notice of the availability of the EA February 2008.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. DI07-8-000]

#### Slatersville Hydro, LLC; Notice of Declaration of Intention and Soliciting Comments, Protests, and/or Motions To Intervene

April 30, 2007.

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

- a. *Application Type:* Declaration of Intention.
- b. *Docket No.:* DI07-8-000.
- c. *Date Filed:* April 20, 2007.
- d. *Applicant:* Slatersville Hydro, LLC.
- e. *Name of Project:* Slatersville Hydro Project.

f. *Location:* The proposed Slatersville Hydro Project will be located on the Branch River, tributary to the Blackstone River, near North Smithfield, in Providence County, Rhode Island.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Section 23(b)(1) of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 817(b).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Michael P. DeFrancesco, P.E., LLC, 87 Hallville Road, Exeter, RI 02822; telephone: (401) 742-1968; fax: (401) 742-5014; e-mail: [mpdpe@aol.com](mailto:mpdpe@aol.com).

i. *FERC Contact:* Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Henry Ecton, (202) 502-8768, or e-mail address: [henry.ecton@ferc.gov](mailto:henry.ecton@ferc.gov).

j. *Deadline for filing comments, protests, and/or motions:* May 31, 2007.

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

20426. Comments, protests, and/or interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. Any questions, please contact the Secretary's Office. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the "e-Filing link.

Please include the docket number (DI07-8-000) on any comments, protests, and/or motions filed.

k. *Description of Project:* The proposed run-of-river Slatersville Hydro Project will include: (1) An 18-foot-high, 100-foot-long stone-and-concrete dam; (2) a powerhouse containing a turbine-generator rated at 400 kW; (3) a 45-acre reservoir; and (4) appurtenant facilities. The project will be connected to an interstate grid, but will not occupy any tribal or Federal lands

When a Declaration of Intention is filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Federal Power Act requires the Commission to investigate and determine if the interests of interstate or foreign commerce would be affected by the project. The Commission also determines whether or not the project: (1) Would be located on a navigable waterway; (2) would occupy or affect public lands or reservations of the United States; (3) would utilize surplus water or water power from a government dam; or (4) if applicable, has involved or would involve any construction subsequent to 1935 that may have increased or would increase the project's head or generating capacity, or have otherwise significantly modified the project's pre-1935 design or operation.

l. *Locations of the Application:* Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection. This filing may be viewed on the Web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link, select "Docket#" and follow the instructions. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll-free at (866) 208-3676, or TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

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

n. *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.

o. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—*Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTESTS", AND/OR "MOTIONS TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Docket Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in 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.

**Philis J. Posey,**  
*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM98-1-000]

#### Records Governing Off-the-Record Communications; Public Notice

April 30, 2007.

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2201(b), of the receipt of prohibited and exempt off-the-record communications.

Order No. 607 (64 FR 51222, September 22, 1999) requires Commission decisional employees, who make or receive a prohibited or exempt off-the-record communication relevant to the merits of a contested proceeding, to deliver to the Secretary of the Commission, a copy of the communication, if written, or a summary of the substance of any oral communication.

Prohibited communications are included in a public, non-decisional file associated with, but not a part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become a part of the decisional record, the prohibited off-the-record communication will not

be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision. Parties to a proceeding may seek the opportunity to respond to any facts or contentions made in a prohibited off-the-record communication, and may request that the Commission place the prohibited communication and responses thereto in the decisional record. The Commission will grant such a request only when it determines that fairness so requires. Any person identified below as having made a prohibited off-the-record communication shall serve the

document on all parties listed on the official service list for the applicable proceeding in accordance with Rule 2010, 18 CFR 385.2010.

Exempt off-the-record communications are included in the decisional record of the proceeding, unless the communication was with a cooperating agency as described by 40 CFR 1501.6, made under 18 CFR 385.2201(e)(1)(v).

The following is a list of off-the-record communications recently received by the Secretary of the Commission. The communications

listed are grouped by docket numbers in ascending order. These filings are 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 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.

Docket number	Date received	Presenter or requester
Prohibited:		
1. EL06-94-001 .....	4-23-07	Andrew Ott <sup>1</sup>
Exempt:		
1. Docket No. CP06-365-000 .....	4-12-07	Hon. Brian Hatfield, Hon. Brian Blake, Hon. Dean Takko.
2. Project No. 1971-079 .....	4-18-07	Alan Mitchnick <sup>2</sup> .
3. Project No. 11858-002 .....	4-18-07	Karen A. Goebel.
4. Project No. 12658-000 .....	4-27-07	Martin J. Reinert <sup>3</sup> .

<sup>1</sup> Transcript of Technical Conference on SEAMS issues for RTO's and ISO's in the Eastern Interconnection which was convened on March 29, 2007. This exempt record is in reference to a communication made by Mr. Ott before the Commission (at this conference) and which is recorded in this transcript.

<sup>2</sup> Document submitted during the tribal consultation meeting held on March 30, 2007, at Owyhee, Nevada.

<sup>3</sup> Telephone and email exchange between staff and Mr. Reinert.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

[ER-FRL-6686-6]

**Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments**

Availability of EPA comments prepared pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at 202-564-7167.

An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 6, 2007 (72 FR 17156).

**Draft EISs**

EIS No. 20060414, ERP No. D-USA-J11022-CO, Pinon Canyon Maneuver Site (PCMS) Transformation Program, Implementation, Base Realignment and Closure Activities, Fort Carson, Las Animas, Otero and Huerfano Counties, CO.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns about air quality impacts, water quality impacts and impacts to wildlife and vegetation, and requested additional information on energy conservation and pollution prevention.

Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20060510, ERP No. D-NRC-B06006-MA, Generic—License Renewal of Nuclear Plants, Supplement 29 to NUREG-1437, Regarding the License Renewal of Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station, Cape Cod Bay, Town of Plymouth, Plymouth County, MA

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns about entrainment and impingement impacts and cooling water discharge impacts, and requested additional information on thermal backwash operations, the fish return system, and mitigation.

Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20060521, ERP No. D-NRC-B06007-VT, Generic—License Renewal of Nuclear Plants, Supplement 30 to NUREG-1437, Regarding Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station, Vernon, VT.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns about impacts related to entrainment and impingement of fish and other aquatic organisms, and impacts from heat shock.

Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20070044, ERP No. D-AFS-G65104-NM, Surface Management of Gas Leasing and Development, Proposes to Amend the Forest Plan include Standard and Guidelines Related to Gas Leasing and Development in the Jicarilla Ranger District, Carson National Forest, Rio Arriba County, NM.

*Summary:* EPA does not object to the proposed action.

Rating LO.

EIS No. 20070047, ERP No. D-COE-F09803-MN, Minnesota Steel Project, Construction and Operation of an Open Pit Taconite Mine Facilities, Concentrator, Pellet Plant, Direct Reduced Iron Plant and Steel Mill Project, located west of Nashwauk, Itasca County, MN.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns about wetlands impacts and the proposed mitigation, as well as impacts to water and air quality and tribal resource uses.

Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20070084, ERP No. D-BPA-L08065-WA, Port Angeles—Juan de Fuca Transmission Project, Construct a 550-Megawatt Direct Current Cable from Victoria, British Columbia, across the Strait of Juan de Fuca to Port Angeles, Presidential Permit, Clallam County, WA.

*Summary:* EPA expressed environmental concerns about the