

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[OE Docket No. EA-342]

Application to Export Electric Energy; The Royal Bank of Canada**AGENCY:** Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, DOE.**ACTION:** Notice of application.**SUMMARY:** The Royal Bank of Canada (RBC) has applied for authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada pursuant to section 202(e) of the Federal Power Act.**DATES:** Comments, protests, or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before August 18, 2008.**ADDRESSES:** Comments, protests, or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Mail Code: OE-20, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0350 (FAX 202-586-8008).**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ellen Russell (Program Office) 202-586-9624 or Michael Skinker (Program Attorney) 202-586-2793.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Exports of electricity from the United States to a foreign country are regulated by the Department of Energy (DOE) pursuant to sections 301(b) and 402(f) of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7151(b), 7172(f)) and require authorization under section 202(e) of the FPA (16 U.S.C. 824a(e)).

On July 9, 2008, DOE received an application from RBC for authority to transmit electric energy from the United States to Canada as a power marketer. RBC has requested an electricity export authorization with a 5-year term. RBC does not own or control any electric generation, transmission, or distribution assets, nor does it have a franchised service area. The electric energy which RBC proposes to export to Canada would be surplus energy purchased from electric utilities, Federal power marketing agencies, and other entities within the United States.

RBC will arrange for the delivery of exports to Canada over the international transmission facilities owned by Basin Electric Power Cooperative, Bonneville Power Administration, Eastern Maine Electric Cooperative, International Transmission Co., Joint Owners of the Highgate Project, Long Sault, Inc., Maine Electric Power Company, Maine Public Service Company, Minnesota Power, Inc., Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc., New York Power Authority, Niagara Mohawk Power

Corp., Northern States Power Company, Vermont Electric Power Company, and Vermont Electric Transmission Co.

The construction, operation, maintenance, and connection of each of the international transmission facilities to be utilized by RBC has previously been authorized by a Presidential permit issued pursuant to Executive Order 10485, as amended.

Procedural Matters: Any person desiring to become a party to these proceedings or to be heard by filing comments or protests to this application should file a petition to intervene, comment, or protest at the address provided above in accordance with §§ 385.211 or 385.214 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedures (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Fifteen copies of each petition and protest should be filed with DOE on or before the date listed above.

Comments on the RBC application to export electric energy to Canada should be clearly marked with Docket No. EA-342. Additional copies are to be filed directly with Robin J. Bowen, McDERMOTT WILL & EMERY LLP, 600 13th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005-3096.

A final decision will be made on this application after the environmental impacts have been evaluated pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and a determination is made by DOE that the proposed action will not adversely impact on the reliability of the U.S. electric power supply system.

Copies of this application will be made available, upon request, for public inspection and copying at the address provided above, by accessing the program Web site at http://www.oe.energy.gov/permits_pending.htm, or by e-mailing Odessa Hopkins at Odessa.hopkins@hq.doe.gov.

Issued in Washington, DC, on July 14, 2008.

Anthony J. Como,

Director, Permitting and Siting, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability.

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[Project No. P-2197-084]

Alcoa Power Generating Incorporated; Notice of Application for Temporary Amendment of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

July 10, 2008.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Request for temporary variance of minimum flow release and reservoir drawdown limit.

b. *Project No.:* 2197-084.

c. *Date Filed:* July 8, 2008.

d. *Applicant:* Alcoa Power Generating Incorporated.

e. *Name of Project:* Yadkin.

f. *Location:* On the Yadkin/Pee Dee River, in Montgomery, Stanley, Davidson, Rowan, and Davie Counties, North Carolina.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Marshall Olson, Alcoa Power Generating Inc., 293 NC 740 Highway, P.O. Box 576, Badin, NC 28009-0576, (704) 422-5622.

i. *FERC Contact:* Thomas LoVullo, (202) 502-8900; e-mail: thomas.lovullo@ferc.gov.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene and protests:* August 11, 2008.

Please include the project number (P-2197) on any comments or motions filed. All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Kimberly D. Bose, 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 strongly encourages electronic filings.

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. A copy of any

motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

k. *Description of Request:* Alcoa Power Generating, Inc. is requesting a temporary variance of the minimum flow release requirement under license article 33 for the Yadkin Project. Due to worsening drought conditions in the project area and the need to conserve water, Alcoa requests that it be allowed to reduce the weekly average discharge flow of 1,400 cubic feet per second (cfs) to a weekly average of 1,000 cfs, effective as soon as possible. Additionally, Alcoa requests a temporary variance from the operating guides, at the Narrows reservoir, in order to balance outflows with the High Rock reservoir. Included with Alcoa's request were concurrences received from the Drought Management Team (DMT) established as a result of the 2002 drought. On July 10, 2008, the Commission granted the licensee's requests, but reserved authority to require changes in project operation based upon comments received from this notice.

l. *Location of the Application:* The filing 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) 502-8371, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docsfiling/esubscription.asp> to be notified via e-mail of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3372 or e-mail ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.

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, 385.211, and 385.214. 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. Any filing must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers.

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.

q. 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 at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the "e-Filing" link.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2210-176]

Appalachian Power Company; Notice of Application To Amend License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

July 10, 2008.

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

a. *Application Type:* Non-Project Use of Project Lands and Waters.

b. *Project No:* 2210-176.

c. *Date Filed:* June 17, 2008.

d. *Applicant:* Appalachian Power Company.

e. *Name of Project:* Smith Mountain Pumped Storage Project.

f. *Location:* The project is located on the Roanoke River, in Bedford, Pittsylvania, Franklin, and Roanoke Counties, Virginia.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Elizabeth B. Parcell, Plant Coordinator I,

Appalachian Power Company, P.O. Box 2021, Roanoke, Virginia 24022-2121 (703) 985-2348.

i. *FERC Contact:* Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Jade Alvey, Telephone (202) 502-6849, and e-mail: Jade.Alvey@ferc.gov.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protest:* August 11, 2008.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Kimberly D. Bose, 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. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

k. *Description of Request:*

Appalachian Power Company (APC) is seeking Commission approval to grant permission to Jim Petrine to stabilize shoreline through the use of riprap, and to construct a single dock, along shoreline identified as an Impact Minimization Zone (IMZ), as defined in the project's shoreline management plan (SMP). The proposed dock would be single-family use and would be located at the terminus of Windward Pointe Drive, a new road serving The Winward at Point Cheli, a new development located northeast of Long Island Drive, in Franklin County, Virginia. The licensee is requesting a variance as required by the SMP for development within the IMZ. In accordance with the SMP, Jim Petrine has developed a plan to relocate woody debris in the activity area currently serving as fish habitat to an alternate location nearby and obtained concurrence on the plan from the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.

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, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also 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