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*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time on December 5, 2008.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2305-020]

#### **Sabine River Authority of Texas; Sabine River Authority, State of Louisiana; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, Commencement of Licensing Proceeding, and Scoping; Request for Comments on the Pad and Scoping Document, and Identification of Issues and Associated Study Requests**

November 21, 2008.

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File License Application for a New License and Commencing Licensing Proceeding.

b. *Project No.:* 2305-020.

c. *Dated Filed:* September 22, 2008.

d. *Submitted by:* Sabine River Authority of Texas and Sabine River Authority, State of Louisiana (Sabine River Authorities).

e. *Name of Project:* Toledo Bend Hydroelectric.

f. *Location:* On the Sabine River, affecting lands and waters in Panola, Shelby, Sabine, and Newton Counties, Texas, and De Soto, Sabine, and Vernon Parishes, Louisiana. The project occupies about 3,600 acres of United States lands under the jurisdiction of the Forest Service.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR Part 5 of the Commission's Regulations.

h. *Potential Applicants Contact:*

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i. FERC Contacts: Alan Mitchnick at (202) 502-6074 or e-mail at [alan.mitchnick@ferc.gov](mailto:alan.mitchnick@ferc.gov); or Lesley Kordella at (202) 502-6406 or e-mail at [lesley.kordella@ferc.gov](mailto:lesley.kordella@ferc.gov).

j. 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 paragraph o below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document cannot also intervene. See 94 FERC ¶ 61,076 (2001).

k. With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with: (a) The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and/or NOAA Fisheries under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR, Part 402 and (b) the State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by Section 106, National Historical Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.

l. With this notice, we are designating the Sabine River Authorities as the Commission's non-federal representative for carrying out informal consultation, pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

m. The Sabine River Authorities filed a Pre-Application Document (PAD), including a proposed process plan and schedule, with the Commission, pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.

n. A copy of the PAD is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site (<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, contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto: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.

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mail of new filing and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

o. With this notice, we are soliciting comments on the PAD and Scoping Document 1 (SD1), as well as study requests. The Commission issued SD1 on November 14, 2008. All comments on the PAD and SD1, and study requests should be sent to the address above in paragraph h. In addition, all comments on the PAD and SD1, study requests, requests for cooperating agency status, and all communications to and from Commission staff related to the merits of the potential application (original and eight copies) must be filed with the Commission at the following address: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. All filings with the Commission must include on the first page, the project name (Toledo Bend Hydroelectric Project) and number (P-2305-020), and bear the heading "Comments on Pre-Application Document," "Study Requests," "Comments on Scoping Document 1," "Request for Cooperating Agency Status," or "Communications to and from Commission Staff." Any individual or entity interested in submitting study requests, commenting on the PAD or SD1, and any agency requesting cooperating status must do so by January 20, 2009.

Comments on the PAD and SD1, study requests, requests for cooperating agency status, and other permissible forms of communications with the Commission 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.

In addition, there is a "Quick Comment" option available, which is an easy method for interested persons to submit text only comments on a project. The Quick-Comment User Guide can be viewed at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling/quick-comment-guide.pdf>. Quick Comment does not require a FERC eRegistration account; however, you will be asked to provide a valid email address. All comments submitted under either eFiling or the Quick Comment option are placed in the public record for the specified docket.

p. *Scoping Meetings:* Commission staff will hold two scoping meetings in the vicinity of the project at the time and place noted below. The daytime meeting will focus on resource agency, Indian tribes, and non-governmental organization concerns, while the

evening meeting is primarily for receiving input from the public. We invite all interested individuals, organizations, and agencies to attend one or both of the meetings, and to assist staff in identifying particular study needs, as well as the scope of environmental issues to be addressed in the environmental document. The times and locations of these meetings are as follows:

#### Daytime Scoping Meeting

*Date:* Tuesday, December 16, 2008.

*Time:* 1 p.m.

*Location:* Cypress Bend Conference Center, 2000 Cypress Bend Parkway, Many, Louisiana 71449.

*Phone:* (877) 519-1500.

#### Evening Scoping Meeting

*Date:* Tuesday, December 16, 2008.

*Time:* 7 p.m.

*Location:* Same as daytime meeting. Scoping Document 1 (SD1), which outlines the subject areas to be addressed in the environmental document, was mailed to the individuals and entities on the Commission's mailing list. Copies of SD1 will be available at the scoping meetings, or may be viewed on the Web at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link. Follow the directions for accessing information in paragraph n. Based on all oral and written comments, a Scoping Document 2 (SD2) may be issued. SD2 may include a revised process plan and schedule, as well as a list of issues, identified through the scoping process.

#### Meeting Objectives

At the scoping meetings, staff will: (1) Initiate scoping of the issues; (2) review and discuss existing conditions and resource management objectives; (3) review and discuss existing information and identify preliminary information and study needs; (4) review and discuss the process plan and schedule for pre-filing activity that incorporates the time frames provided for in Part 5 of the Commission's regulations and, to the extent possible, maximizes coordination of federal, state, and tribal permitting and certification processes; and (5) discuss the appropriateness of any federal or state agency or Indian tribe acting as a cooperating agency for development of an environmental document.

Meeting participants should come prepared to discuss their issues and/or concerns. Please review the PAD in preparation for the scoping meetings. Directions on how to obtain a copy of the PAD and SD1 are included in item n. of this document.

#### Meeting Procedures

The meetings will be recorded by a stenographer and will become part of the formal record of the Commission proceeding on the project.

q. Site Visit: The potential applicants and Commission staff will conduct a site visit (bus tour) of key facilities of the project on Wednesday, December 17, 2008, starting at 8 a.m. Those wishing to participate should meet at the Cypress Bend Conference Center (see section "p" above). To appropriately accommodate persons interested in attending the site tour, participants should contact Bambi Granger by December 5, 2008 [e-mail, [bgranger@sratx.org](mailto:bgranger@sratx.org) or phone, (409) 746-2192].

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

##### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. EF08-2011-000 and RM08-20-000]

##### Sales of Electric Power to the Bonneville Power Administration; Revisions to the 2008 Average System Cost Methodology; Notice of Opportunity To File Reply Comments

November 21, 2008.

On November 10, 2008, Bonneville and other interested parties filed comments in the above-referenced dockets on an Interim Rule that implements Bonneville's revised Average System Cost Methodology. In its comments, Bonneville included revisions to the regulations promulgated by the Interim Rule in Part 301 of the Commission's regulations. Bonneville requests the Commission to provide an opportunity for reply comments on its proposed revised regulations.

In response to Bonneville's request, interested parties may file reply comments in the above-referenced dockets on or before December 15, 2008. Parties must use the filing procedures provided for the initial comments in these proceedings.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

##### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. PR09-6-000]

##### J-W Pipeline Company; Notice of Petition for Rate Approval

November 21, 2008.

Take notice that on November 18, 2008, J-W Pipeline Company (J-W Pipeline) filed a petition for rate approval pursuant to section 284.123(b)(2) of the Commission's regulations. J-W Pipeline proposes the following rates for its NGPA section 311(a)(2) transportation services on its South Lines: a demand charge of \$.8700 per MMBtu for firm transportation, with no commodity charge for firm service, and a \$.0286 per MMBtu for interruptible transportation. J-W Pipeline also requests authority to retain from its shippers actual compressor fuel and lost-and-unaccounted-for volumes on the system, not to exceed 2% of volumes received by J-W Pipeline.

Any person desiring to participate in this rate proceeding must file a motion to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the date as indicated below. Anyone filing an intervention or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. Anyone filing an intervention or protest on or before the intervention or protest date need not serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the