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Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13011-001]

Shelbyville Hydro LLC; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, Commencement of Licensing Proceeding, Scoping Meetings, Solicitation of Comments on the Pad and Scoping Document, and Identification of Issues and Associated Study Requests

November 9, 2009.

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

b. *Project No.:* 13011-001.

c. *Dated Filed:* September 8, 2009.

d. *Submitted By:* Shelbyville Hydro LLC.

e. *Name of Project:* Lake Shelbyville Dam Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* At the Corps of Engineers' Lake Shelbyville Dam on the Kaskaskia River in Shelby County, Illinois.

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

h. *Potential Applicant Contact:* Brent Smith, COO, Symbiotics, LLC, P.O. Box 535, Rigby, Idaho 83442 at (208) 745-

0834 or e-mail at brent.smith@symbioticsenergy.com or Corrine Servis, at (208) 745-0834 or e-mail

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i. *FERC Contact:* John Baummer, john.baummer@ferc.gov, (202) 502-6837.

j. *Cooperating agencies:* Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues that wish to cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document should follow the instructions for filing such requests described in item 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 Shelbyville Hydro LLC 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. Shelbyville Hydro LLC filed a Pre-Application Document (PAD; including a proposed process plan and schedule) with the Commission pursuant to 18 CFR 5.5 of the Commission's regulations. The Commission will issue the Scoping Document for the proposed Lake Shelbyville Dam Hydroelectric Project on or about November 9, 2009.

n. A copy of the PAD and the scoping document are 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 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.

Register online at <http://ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm> to be notified via e-

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 filed September 8, 2009 and Scoping Document, as well as study requests. All comments on the PAD and Scoping Document, and study requests should be sent to the address above in paragraph h. In addition, all comments on the PAD and Scoping Document, 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 (Lake Shelbyville Dam Hydroelectric Project) and number (P-13011-001), and bear the heading Comments on Pre-Application Document, Study Requests, Comments on Scoping Document, 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 Scoping Document, and any agency requesting cooperating status must do so by January 6, 2010.

Comments on the PAD and Scoping Document, 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/docs-filing/ferconline.asp>) under the e-filing link. For a simpler method of submitting text only comments, click on "Quick Comment."

p. Although our current intent is to prepare an environmental assessment (EA), there is the possibility that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be required. Nevertheless, this meeting will satisfy the NEPA scoping requirements, irrespective of whether an EA or EIS is issued by the Commission.

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:

Evening Scoping Meeting

Date: Thursday, December 3, 2009.

Time: 7 p.m. (CST).

Location: Lions Community Building, North 9th Street, Forest Park, Shelbyville, IL 62565.

Phone: (217) 774-5531

Daytime Scoping Meeting

Date: Friday, December 4, 2009.

Time: 9 a.m. (CST).

Location: Same location.

The scoping document, which outlines the issues to be addressed in the environmental document, will be mailed to the individuals and entities on the Commission's mailing list. Copies of the scoping document will be available at the scoping meetings, and may be viewed on the Web at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link. Follow the directions for accessing information in paragraph n. Depending on the extent of comments received, a revised Scoping Document may or may not be issued.

Site Visit (Environmental Site Review)

Shelbyville Hydro LLC will conduct a tour of the proposed project site at 2 p.m. on Thursday December 3, 2009. All participants should meet in the parking lot of the Spillway Access Area off route 16 at the Lake Shelbyville Dam. Anyone with questions about the site visit should contact Ms. Corrine Servis of Symbiotics, LLC at (208) 745-0834 or e-mail corrine.servis@symbioticsenergy.com on or before November 25, 2009.

Scoping Meeting Objectives

At the scoping meetings, staff will: (1) Present a proposed list of issues to be addressed in the EA; (2) Review and discuss existing conditions and resource agency 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 requests by 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 the scoping document 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.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. DI10-2-000]

Grouse Creek Ranch; Notice of Declaration of Intention and Soliciting Comments, Protests, and/or Motions To Intervene

November 10, 2009.

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.:* DI10-2-000.

c. *Date Filed:* October 28, 2009.

d. *Applicant:* Grouse Creek Ranch.

e. *Name of Project:* Grouse Creek Ranch Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The proposed Grouse Creek Ranch Hydroelectric Project will be located on an irrigation conduit that uses water from the Imnaha River, near the town of Imnaha in Wallowa County, Oregon, affecting T. 2 S, R. 48 E, Willamette Meridian.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Ben Henson, Renewable Energy Solutions LLC, P.O. Box 156, Enterprise OR 97842; *telephone:* (541) 577-3003; *e-mail:* Docket No. DI10-2-000www.mporter33@juno.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.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, protests, and/or motions:* December 11, 2009.

Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Protests may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR

385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "eFiling" link. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original and eight copies should be mailed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. For more information on how to submit these types of filings, please go to the Commission's Web site located at <http://www.ferc.gov/filing-comments.asp>.

Please include the docket number (DI10-2-000) on any comments, protests, and/or motions filed.

k. *Description of Project:* The proposed Grouse Creek Ranch Hydropower Project will include: (1) A 15-inch diameter, 3-mile-long pvc pipe, conveying water from the Imnaha River for irrigation purposes; (2) a 7-kW Pelton Wheel turbine/generator; (3) a tailrace discharging into the existing irrigation conduit which returns the water to the Imnaha River; and (4) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project will be connected to an interstate grid.

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. 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/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via e-mail of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail FERCOLineSupport@ferc.gov; for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also