

and gas industry. Information on the Commission can be found at its Web site: <http://www.OilSpillCommission.gov>.

**Purpose of the Meeting:** Inform the Commission members about the relevant facts and circumstances concerning the root causes of the BP Deepwater Horizon oil disaster. The meeting will provide the Commission with the opportunity to hear presentations and statements from various experts and provide additional information for the Commission's consideration.

**Tentative Agenda:** The meeting is expected to start on August 25 at 9 a.m. Presentations to the Commission are expected to begin shortly thereafter. Public comments can be made from 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. The final agenda will be available at the Commission's Web site at <http://www.OilSpillCommission.gov>.

**Public Participation:** The meeting is open to the public, with capacity and seats available on a first-come, first-serve basis. The Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business.

Approximately one hour will be reserved for public comments. Time allotted per speaker will be 3 minutes. Opportunity for public comment will be available on August 25 from 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Registration for those wishing to request an opportunity to speak opens on-site at 8 a.m. Speakers will be chosen on a first-come, first-serve basis. Members of the public wishing to provide oral comments are encouraged to provide a written copy of their comments for collection at the time of on-site registration.

Those not able to attend the meeting may view the meeting live on the Commission Web site: <http://www.OilSpillCommission.gov>. Those individuals who are not able to attend the meeting, or who are not able to provide oral comments during the meeting, are invited to send a written statement to Christopher A. Smith, Mail Stop FE-30, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20585, or e-mail: [BPDeepwaterHorizonCommission@hq.doe.gov](mailto:BPDeepwaterHorizonCommission@hq.doe.gov).

**Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting will be available at the Commission's Web site: <http://www.OilSpillCommission.gov> or by contacting Mr. Smith. He may be reached at the postal or e-mail addresses above.

**Accommodation for the hearing impaired:** A sign language interpreter will be on site for the duration of the meeting.

Issued in Washington, DC, on August 3, 2010.

**LaTanya R. Butler,**

*Acting Deputy Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13381-001]

#### Jonathan and Jayne Chase; Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission and Soliciting Additional Study Requests

July 30, 2010.

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

a. *Type of Application:* Exemption From Licensing.

b. *Project No.:* 13381-001.

c. *Date filed:* July 23, 2010.

d. *Applicant:* Jonathan and Jayne Chase.

e. *Name of Project:* Troy Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Missisquoi River, in the Town of Troy, Orleans County, Vermont. The project would not occupy lands of the United States.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, 16 U.S.C. 2705, 2708.

h. *Applicant Contact:* Jonathan and Jayne Chase, 361 Goodall Road, Derby Line, VT 05830, (802) 895-2980.

i. *FERC Contact:* Tom Dean, (202) 502-6041.

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 l 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. 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.

l. *Deadline for filing additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status:* September 21, 2010.

All documents may be filed electronically via the Internet. *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 "eFiling" link. For a simpler method of submitting text only comments, click on "Quick Comment." For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov); call toll-free at (866) 208-3676; or, for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and eight copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

m. The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

n. The Troy Project would consist of: (1) The existing 180-foot-long, 55.7-foot-high Bakers Fall dam with a 134-foot-long spillway and a 3.33-foot-wide, 4.0-foot-high wastegate located below the spillway; (2) an existing 6.9-acre impoundment with a normal water surface elevation of 739.4 feet above mean sea level; (3) an existing intake structure equipped with two 3.33-foot-wide, 4.0-foot-high headgates; (4) an existing forebay with a 2.0-foot-wide, 2.0-foot-high wastegate; (5) an existing 250-foot-long, 6.5-foot-diameter penstock; (6) an existing powerhouse containing one inoperable 600-kilowatt (kW) generating unit; and (7) an existing 90-foot-long, 12.47-kilovolt transmission line.

The applicant proposes to: (1) Rehabilitate and increase the capacity of the inoperable generating unit to 850 kW; and (2) replace the existing transmission line with new transmission line. The proposed project is estimated to generate an average of 1,500 megawatt-hours annually.

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 to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

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, contact FERC Online Support.

p. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the Vermont 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, at 800.4.

q. *Procedural schedule:* The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate (i.e. if scoping is waived, the schedule would be shortened).

Issue Deficiency Letter—October 2010  
Issue Acceptance letter—January 2011  
Issue Scoping Document—February 2011

Notice of application is ready for environmental analysis—April 2011

Notice of the availability of the EA—November 2011

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**  
*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13730-000]

#### **New York Tidal Energy Company; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications**

July 30, 2010.

On May 12, 2010, New York Tidal Energy Company filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of the Astoria Tidal Energy Project, located on the East River, in New York City, New York. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed project would consist of the following: (1) 50 to 150 Tidal In Stream Energy Conversion (TISEC) devices consisting of, (2) rotating

propeller blades, (3) integrated generators with a capacity of 0.5 to 2.0 MW, (4) anchoring systems, (5) mooring lines, and (6) interconnection transmission lines. The project is estimated to have an annual generation of 8.76 gigawatt-hours per-unit per-year, which would be sold to a local utility.

*Applicant Contact:* Daniel Power, Oceana Energy Company, 1785 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Suite 100, Washington, DC 20036; *phone:* (202) 465-6405.

*FERC Contact:* Timothy Konnert, 202-502-6359.

*Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications:* 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. 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 "eFiling" link. For a simpler method of submitting text only comments, click on "eComment." For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov); call toll-free at (866) 208-3676; or, for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and eight copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-13730) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**  
*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12665-004]

#### **New York Tidal Energy Company; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications**

July 30, 2010.

On May 12, 2010, New York Tidal Energy Company filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of the East River Tidal Energy Pilot Project, located on the East River, in New York City, New York. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed project would consist of the following: (1) A 2-meter-diameter 20 kW capacity hydrokinetic device during Phase 1, which would be replaced by a 6-meter-diameter 200 kW device in Phase 2; (2) a 1,300-foot transmission cable that would interconnect with the existing Wards Island Park System; and (3) appurtenant facilities for operating and maintaining the project. Based on the proposed 250 hours of testing operation per-year, the project is estimated to have an annual generation of 5 megawatt-hours per-year, which would be sold to a local utility.

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