DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12756–003]

BOST3 Hydroelectric Company, LLC; Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission and Soliciting Additional Study Requests

August 6, 2010.

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

a. Type of Application: Original Major License.

b. Project No.: P–12756–003.

c. Date Filed: July 26, 2010.

d. Applicant: BOST3 Hydroelectric Company, LLC (BOST3).

e. Name of Project: Red River Lock & Dam No. 3 Hydroelectric Project.

f. Location: The proposed project would be located at the existing Army Corps of Engineer’s (Corps) Red River Lock & Dam No. 3 on the Red River, in Natchitoches Parish near the City of Colfax, Louisiana.

g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–825(r).


i. FERC Contact: Jeanne Edwards (202) 502–6181 or by e-mail at Jeanne.edwards@ferc.gov.

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 24, 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 “e-Filing” link. For a simpler method of submitting text only comments, click on “eComment.” For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERConlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free at (866) 208–3676; or, for TTY, contact (202) 502–8659.

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

n. The proposed project would utilize the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) Red River Lock and Dam No. 3, and operate consistent with the Corps current operation policy. The proposed project consists of: (1) An excavated headrace channel to convey water from the upstream Pool No. 3 of the Red River into the powerhouse; (2) an excavated tailrace channel to discharge water from the powerhouse to the downstream Pool No. 2 of the Red River; (3) a 301-foot-long by 90-foot-wide concrete powerhouse located on the right (west) abutment of the Corps’ Lock and Dam No. 3; (4) one 36.2 megawatt (MW) horizontal Kaplan bulb turbine/generator unit; (5) one 2,300-foot-long, 13.2 kilovolt (KV) overhead transmission line which crosses the river and connects to a Central Louisiana Electric Company substation located on the opposite side of the river; and (6) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would generate about 172,779 megawatt-hours (MWH) annually which would be sold to a local utility.

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 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 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 Louisiana 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.

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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...