DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12851–002; Project No. 14082–000]

Free Flow Power Corporation; Northland Power Mississippi River LLC; Notice of Competing Preliminary Permit Applications Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

Free Flow Power Corporation (Free Flow) and Northland Power Mississippi River LLC (Northland) filed preliminary permit applications, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of developing hydropower projects hydropower on the Mississippi River, near the town of New Orleans, in Jefferson and Orleans Parishes, Louisiana. Both applications were filed electronically and given the filing date of February 1, 2011, at 8:30 AM. 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 projects are described as follows:

Free Flow's hydrokinetic Project, Project No. 12851–002 would consist of: (1) Up to 2,250 SmartTurbine generating units installed in arrays on the bottom of the river; (2) the total capacity of the installation would be up to 90,000 kilowatts; (3) flexible cables would convey each arrays power to a metering station; and (4) a transmission line would interconnect with the power grid. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of 197,100,000 kilowatt-hours (kWh), which would be sold to a local utility.

Northland's hydrokinetic Project, Project No. 14082–000 would consist of: (1) Up to 150 TREK generating units installed in a matrix on the bottom of the river; (2) the total capacity of the installation would be up to 38,000 kilowatts; (3) shielded underwater cables would convey each matrix power to a substation; and (4) a transmission line would interconnect with the power grid. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of 329,000,000 gigawatt-hours (GWh), which would be sold to a local utility.

Applicants Contact: For Free Flow: Ramya Swaminathan, Free Flow Power Corporation, 239 Causeway Street, Boston, MA 02114; phone (978) 283–2822. For Northland: Tim Richardson, 30 St. Clair Avenue West 17th Floor, Toronto, Ontario, Canada; phone (416) 820–9521.

FERC Contact: Michael Spencer, (202) 502–6093.

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 ''Quick Comment.'' For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at *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 the Commission's Web site at *http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp.* Enter the docket number (P–12851–002, or P–14082–000) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: August 19, 2011.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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[Docket No. PF11–2–000]

Freeport LNG Development, LP; Freeport LNG Expansion, LP; FLNG Liquefaction LLC; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Planned Liquefaction Project, Request for Comments on Environmental Issues, and Notice of Public Scoping Meeting

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the Liquefaction Project (Project) involving construction and operation of facilities proposed by Freeport LNG Development, LP, Freeport LNG Expansion, LP, and FLNG Liquefaction LLC (collectively referred to as Freeport) in Brazoria County, Texas. This EA will be used by the Commission in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping process the Commission will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies on the project. Your input will help the Commission staff determine what issues need to be evaluated in the EA. Please note that the scoping period will close on September 19, 2011.

Comments may be submitted in written form or verbally. Further details on how to submit written comments are provided in the Public Participation section of this notice. In lieu of or in addition to sending written comments, the Commission invites you to attend the public scoping meeting scheduled as follows:

FERC Public Scoping Meeting, Freeport Liquefaction Project, 7 p.m.—Thursday, September 8, 2011.

Lake Jackson Civic Center, 333 Highway 332 E, Lake Jackson, TX 77566, (979) 415–2600.

This notice is being sent to the Commission's current environmental mailing list for this project. State and local government representatives are asked to notify their constituents of this planned project and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

Summary of the Planned Project

Freeport plans to add natural gas liquefaction and exportation capabilities to its existing liquefied natural gas (LNG) import terminal on Quintana Island in Brazoria County, Texas. The Project would consist of the construction and installation of facilities to be used for liquefaction and export of domestic natural gas. In addition, A nonjurisdictional pretreatment facility would be constructed and operated at or near the Stratton Ridge underground storage and meter station sites.

The planned facilities would consist of the following components:

- Three natural gas liquefaction refrigerant units;
- Expansion of existing Quintana Island Terminal Facility components; and
- The nonjurisdictional natural gas pre-treatment systems, additional compression, and minor modifications in the Stratton Ridge Meter Station area.