

should, on or before the comment date stated below, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 7 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commentors will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commentors will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commentors will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, 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 7 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 Web site that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Comment Date: January 27, 2012.

Dated: January 6, 2012.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. P-13010-003]

Mississippi 8 Hydro LLC; Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission and Soliciting Additional Study Requests

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-13010-003.

c. *Date filed:* December 27, 2011.

d. *Applicant:* Mississippi 8 Hydro LLC.

e. *Name of Project:* Lock and Dam 8 Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The project would be located on the upper Mississippi River in Houston County, Minnesota at an existing lock and dam owned and operated by the U.S. Corps of Engineers (Corps) at about river mile 679. The project would occupy federal lands managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Brent L. Smith, Chief Operating Officer, Symbiotics LLC, 371 Upper Terrace, Suite 2, Bend, OR 97702, Phone: (541) 330-8779.

i. *FERC Contact:* Lesley Kordella at (202) 502-6406; or email at Lesley.Kordella@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: February 27, 2012.

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/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1-08-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven 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 proposed project would utilize the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Lock & Dam Lock and Dam 8, and would consist of the following facilities: (1) 28 0.5-MW very low head type hydraulic turbines attached to the dam's existing Tainter and roller gate structures; (2) a new 30-foot-long by 40-foot-wide control house; (3) a new 175-foot-long by 200-foot-wide substation; (4) a new 175-foot-long by 100-foot-wide storage yard; (5) a new 350-foot-long transmission line; and (6) appurtenant

facilities. The average annual generation would be about 42.5 gigawatt hours.

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

p. *Procedural schedule:* The application will be processed according to the following preliminary Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Notice of Acceptance	April 2012.
Issue Scoping Document 1 for comments.	May 2012.
Comments on Scoping Document 1.	June 2012.
Issue Scoping Document 2	August 2012.
Issue notice of ready for environmental analysis.	August 2012.
Commission issues EA, draft EA, or draft EIS.	April 2013.
Comments on EA, or draft EA, or draft EIS.	May 2013.
Commission issues final EA or final EIS.	August 2013.

Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of the notice of ready for environmental analysis.

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Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. AC12-27-000]

Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.; Notice of Filing

Take notice that on December 27, 2011, Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. submitted a request for authorization to defer for future recovery certain costs with the integration of the Entergy Operating Companies.

Any person desiring 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 or 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 comment date. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

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Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2928-007]

Merrimac Paper Company, Inc.; Notice of Termination of License by Implied Surrender and Soliciting Comments and Motions To Intervene

Take notice that the following hydroelectric proceeding has been initiated by the Commission:

a. *Type of Proceeding:* Termination of License by Implied Surrender.

b. *Project No.:* 2928-007.

c. *Date Initiated:* January 06, 2012.

d. *Licensee:* Merrimac Paper Company, Inc.

e. *Name and Location of Project:* The Merrimac Hydroelectric Project is located on the Merrimack River, a navigable waterway in the United States, in the city of Lawrence, Essex County, Massachusetts.

f. *Proceeding Initiated Pursuant to:* Standard Article 17 of the project's license and 18 CFR 6.4 (2011).

g. *Licensee Contact Information:* Ms. Terri Bechta, 9 South Canal Street, Lawrence, MA 01843-1410; phone (617) 686-0342.

h. *FERC Contact:* Krista Sakallaris, (202) 502-6302.

i. Deadline for filing comments, protests, and motions to intervene is 30 days from the issuance date of this notice. All documents may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original and seven copies should be sent to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. Please include the project number (P-2928-007) on any documents or motions filed.

j. Description of Existing Facilities: (1) Unit No. 1: (i) A 6.5-foot-high by 6.0-foot wide head gate and trashrack structure; (ii) a 260-foot-long, 5-foot-diameter penstock connected to; (iii) a generating unit with an installed capacity of 200kW; (iv) an 18-foot-long tailrace canal; and (v) other appurtenances; (2) Unit No. 2: (i) A 6.5-foot-high by 6.0-foot-wide head gate and trashrack structure; (ii) a 288-foot-long, 5.3-foot-diameter penstock connected to; (iii) a generating unit with an installed capacity of 450kW; (iv) a 15-foot-long tailrace canal; and (v) other appurtenances; (3) Unit No. 3: (i) A 6.5-foot-high by 6.0-foot wide head gate and trashrack and other appurtenances; (ii) a 250-foot-long, 8.75-foot-diameter penstock connected to; (iii) a generating unit with an installed capacity of 600kW; (iv) a 80-foot-long tailrace canal; and (v) other appurtenances.

k. Description of Proceeding: The licensee is currently in violation of standard Article 17 of its license,