

National Grid Transmission Services Corporation Bangor Hydro Electric Company	Docket No. EL11-49-000.
Rock Island Clean Line LLC	Docket No. ER12-365-000.

With respect to the workshop to be held by Commission staff on February 28, 2012 in Docket No. AD12-9-000, the following Commission staff are designated as non-decisional in deliberations by the Commission in this docket: Robert McLean, Office of the General Counsel; David Faerberg, Office of the General Counsel; David Maranville, Office of the General Counsel; and David Hunger, Office of Energy Policy and Innovation. Accordingly, pursuant to 18 CFR 385.2202 (2010), they will not serve as advisors to the Commission with respect to any of the above-referenced dockets. Likewise, as non-decisional staff, pursuant to 18 CFR 385.2201 (2010), they are prohibited from communicating with advisory staff concerning any deliberations with respect to the above-referenced dockets.

Dated: February 27, 2012.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14241-001]

Alaska Energy Authority; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document (PAD), and Commencement of Pre-Filing Process; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement and Conduct Scoping; Request for Comments on the PAD and Scoping Document, and Identification of Issues and Associated Study Requests

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File License Application for an Original License and Commencing Pre-filing Process.

b. *Project No.:* 14241-000.

c. *Date Filed:* December 29, 2011.

d. *Submitted by:* Alaska Energy Authority (AEA).

e. *Name of Project:* Susitna-Watana Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Susitna River at river mile 184 above the mouth, near Cantwell, in Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Alaska. The project would occupy federal lands currently administered by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) but selected

for potential acquisition by the State of Alaska under the Alaska Statehood Act, state lands administered by the Alaska Department of Natural Resources, and private lands owned by Alaska Native Corporations and others.

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

h. *Potential Applicant Contact:*

Wayne Dyok, Susitna-Watana Project Manager, Alaska Energy Authority, 813 West Northern Lights Boulevard, Anchorage, AK 99503.

i. *FERC Contact:* David Turner at (202) 502-6091 or email at david.turner@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 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. On January 23 and 30, 2012, respectively, we designated AEA 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. AEA filed with the Commission a Pre-Application Document (PAD; including a proposed process plan and schedule), pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.

n. A copy of the PAD is 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://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/subscription.asp> to be notified via email 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 and Commission's staff Scoping Document 1 (SD1), as well as study requests. All comments on the PAD and SD1, and study requests should be sent to the address above in paragraph h. In addition, all comments on the PAD and SD1, study requests, requests for cooperating agency status, and all communications to and from Commission staff related to the merits of the potential application must be filed with the Commission. Documents may be filed electronically via the Internet.

p. 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. 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.

All filings with the Commission must include on the first page, the project name (Susitna-Watana Hydroelectric Project) and number (P-14241-000), and bear the appropriate heading: "Comments on Pre-Application Document," "Study Requests," "Comments on Scoping Document 1," "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 SD1, and any agency requesting cooperating status must do so by April 27, 2012.

p. We intend to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for this project. The scoping meetings

identified below satisfy the NEPA scoping requirements.

Scoping Meetings

Commission staff will hold scoping meetings for the project at the time and place described below. The daytime

meeting will focus on resource agency, Indian tribes, and non-governmental organization concerns, while the evening meetings are primarily for receiving input from the public. We invite all interested individuals,

organizations, and agencies to attend one or all 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.

Date	Time	Place
Monday, March 26, 2012	6 p.m.–10 p.m	Loussac Library, 3600 Denali Street, Anchorage, AK 99503.
Tuesday, March 27, 2012	9 a.m.–2 p.m	Loussac Library, 3600 Denali Street, Anchorage, AK 99503.
Tuesday, March 27, 2012	6 p.m.–10 p.m	Menard Memorial Sports Center, 1001 S. Mack Drive, Wasilla, AK 99654.
Wednesday, March 28, 2012	6 p.m.–10 p.m	Su-Valley Jr/Sr High School, 42728 S. Parks Highway, Sunshine, AK 99676.
Wednesday, March 28, 2012	6 p.m.–9 p.m	Caribou Café Banquet Room, 187 Glenn Highway, Glennallen, AK 99588.
Thursday, March 29, 2012	6 p.m.–10 p.m	Westmark Hotel & Conference Center, 813 Noble Street, Fairbanks, AK 99701.
Thursday, March 29, 2012	6 p.m.–10 p.m	Cantwell Community Hall, Milepost 133.1 on the Denali Hwy., Cantwell, AK 99729.

Scoping Document 1 (SD1), which outlines the subject areas to be addressed in the environmental document, was mailed to the individuals and entities on the Commission's mailing list. Copies of SD1 will be available at the scoping meetings, or may be viewed on the Web at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link. Follow the directions for accessing information in paragraph n. Based on all oral and written comments, a Scoping Document 2 (SD2) may be issued. SD2 may include a revised process plan and schedule, as well as a list of issues, identified through the scoping process.

Meeting Objectives

At the scoping meetings, staff will: (1) Initiate scoping of the issues; (2) review and discuss existing conditions and resource 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 the appropriateness of 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 SD1 are included in item n. of this document.

Meeting Procedures

The meetings will be recorded by a stenographer and will be placed in the public records of the project.

Dated: February 24, 2012.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER12-1137-000]

Entra Energy LLC; Supplemental Notice That Initial Market-Based Rate Filing Includes Request for Blanket Section 204 Authorization

This is a supplemental notice in the above-referenced proceeding of Entra Energy LLC's application for market-based rate authority, with an accompanying rate tariff, noting that such application includes a request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest should file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214). Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing protests with regard to the applicant's request for blanket authorization, under 18 CFR part 34, of future issuances of securities and

assumptions of liability, is March 14, 2012.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://www.ferc.gov>. To facilitate electronic service, persons with Internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The filings in the above-referenced proceeding are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also 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.

Dated: February 23, 2012.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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