

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: DOE is releasing for public comment a draft guidebook entitled Federal Renewable Energy Guide: Developing Large-Scale Renewable Energy Projects at Federal Facilities Using Private Capital. DOE will consider comments and recommendations on the draft guidebook, which is available at: <http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/pdfs/largeregguide.pdf>.

DATES: DOE will accept comments, data, and information regarding this draft guidebook no later than July 2, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

1. *Email to:*

FEMPLargeREGuide@ee.doe.gov. Include "Comments—[Name/ Organization]" in the subject line of the email. Please include the full body of your comments in the text of the message or as an attachment.

2. *Mail:* Address written comments to Anne Crawley, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Federal Energy Management Program (EE-2L), 1000 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121.

Because of potential delays in DOE's receipt and processing of mail sent through the U.S. Postal Service, we encourage respondents to submit comments electronically to ensure timely receipt.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mrs. Anne Crawley, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Federal Energy Management Program (EE-2L), 1000 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20585-0121; (202) 586-1505; Anne.Crawley@ee.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The draft guidebook, entitled Federal Renewable Energy Guide: Developing Large-Scale Renewable Energy Projects at Federal Facilities Using Private Capital, provides guidance to Federal agencies on how to establish a project development framework to allow Federal agencies to work effectively with private developers on the implementation of large-scale renewable energy projects.

FEMP specifically requests comment and information with respect to the following issues:

1. Does Figure 3 in Section I sufficiently identify the private sector's motivations and constraints related to large-scale renewable energy projects?
2. Does Section II accurately describe the general process that renewable energy developers and financiers use to

develop large-scale renewable energy projects?

3. Does the graphic in Figure 1 reasonably portray the developer and financier processes? If not, please recommend changes.

4. Do you agree with the seven categories of project development outlined in Section II and expanded on in Appendix B?

5. Are the terms referring to the stages of the process that developers and financiers use to develop large-scale renewable energy projects accurate? Would you use any different terms? If so, can you define those terms for a general audience?

6. What items would you add to the checklists in Appendix B?

7. Would renewable energy developers be interested in pursuing large-scale renewable energy projects at Federal facilities that follow the steps outlined in this guidebook?

8. What, if anything, is this guidebook missing?

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More information on DOE's FEMP is available at: <http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/>.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13213-003]

Lock 14 Hydro Partners; 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:* Major License (5 Megawatts or less).
- b. *Project No.:* 13213-003.
- c. *Date filed:* May 16, 2012.
- d. *Applicant:* Lock 14 Hydro Partners, LLC.
- e. *Name of Project:* Heidelberg Hydroelectric Project.
- f. *Location:* On the Kentucky River, near the Town of Heidelberg, Lee

County Kentucky. Lands managed by the Federal government are located within the project boundary.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* David Brown Kinloch, Lock 14 Hydro Partners, 414 S. Wenzel Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40204, (502) 589-0975.

i. *FERC Contact:* Michael Spencer, (202) 502-6093, michael.spencer@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:* July 15, 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 1-866-208-3676, 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 Heidelberg Project consists of:* (1) An existing concrete lock and dam; (2) an existing 182-acre reservoir having a storage capacity of 1,820-acre-feet; (3) a powerhouse integral to the abandoned lock containing four generating units for a total installed capacity of 2,640 kilowatts; and (4) a 1,000-foot-long, 12.47 kilo-Volt transmission line. The project is estimated to generate an average of 10,484,000 kilowatt-hours annually. The dam and existing project facilities are owned by the Kentucky River Authority.

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. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the Kentucky State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), as required by section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR 800.4.

q. *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—July 2012
Issue Scoping Document 1 for
comments—August 2012

Comments on Scoping Document 1—
October 2012

Issue Scoping Document 2—January
2013

Issue notice of ready for environmental
analysis—January 2013

Commission issues EA, draft EA, or
draft EIS—July 2013

Comments on EA or draft EA or draft
EIS—August 2013

Commission issues final EA or final
EIS—October 2013

Dated: May 24, 2012.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project Nos. 3939–022]

City of Denton; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

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

a. *Types of Application:* Surrender of License.

b. *Project Nos.:* 3939–022.

c. *Date Filed:* October 11, 2011.

d. *Applicants:* City of Denton.

e. *Name of Projects:* Ray Roberts Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The project is located on the Elm Fork of the Trinity River, in Denton County, Texas, occupying lands of the United States and utilizing a dam and reservoir constructed and operated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The nearest town is Aubrey, Texas.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Tim Fisher, Assistant Director of Water Utilities, 901–A Texas Street, Denton, Texas 76209, (940) 349–7190.

i. *FERC Contact:* Mr. Anthony DeLuca, (202) 502–6632, Anthony.deluca@ferc.gov.

j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests, is 30 days from the issuance date of this notice. 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 at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original and seven copies should be mailed to: 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 numbers (P–3939–022) on any comments, motions, or recommendations filed.

k. *Description of Request:* The applicant proposes to surrender the license for the Ray Roberts Hydroelectric Project. The applicant states they decided to withdraw from the power generation business because

it became more economical and operationally less complex for the City to purchase its power needs rather than to generate power itself. At the same time, the City's water department saw potential value in the Project facilities to provide an improved low-flow release system for the City's water treatment plant.

l. *Locations of the Application:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502–8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. 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, call 1–866–208–3676 or email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, for TTY, call (202) 502–8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. *Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene:* Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

o. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents:* Any filing must (1) Bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary