

the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

*Title of Collection:* Strategies for Preparing At-Risk Youth for Postsecondary Success.

*OMB Control Number:* Pending.

*Type of Review:* New.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 132.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 116.

**Abstract:** Educators are increasingly concerned about poor high school graduation rates, especially among at-risk youth. Many of the programs adopted by districts and schools to decrease the dropout rate traditionally set the goal of completing high school. Programs that meet the dual goals of supporting at-risk youth to graduate from high school and then enroll in and succeed in postsecondary education are not commonly found in most school districts and few studies of dropout prevention programs have a postsecondary focus. This study aims to fill a gap by conducting qualitative case studies of up to 15 sites with a focus on preventing students from dropping out and preparing them for postsecondary education or training. This study will systematically analyze qualitative data across multiple respondents to generate portraits of programs and strategies that the sites use, lessons based on implementation successes and challenges, and evidence suggesting their effectiveness in improving the outcomes of interest.

To complete the study, the U.S. Department of Education is requesting OMB approval of two related qualitative data collection activities: (1) A phone screen with local program managers to determine the final sample of case studies and (2) up to 15 site visits to a purposive case study sample. Although the lessons are not generalizable to a larger population because the sample is purposive and small, the case studies will provide rich contextual information to help practitioners assess the applicability of the lessons in their own schools or districts.

Dated: August 3, 2012.

**Kate Mullan,**

*Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2823-018]

#### Algonquin Power Company; Notice of Application Accepted for Amendment of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

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

a. *Application Type:* Amendment of License to Accelerate License Expiration Date.

b. *Project No:* 2823-018.

c. *Date Filed:* June 8, 2012.

d. *Applicant:* Algonquin Power Company.

e. *Name of Project:* Lower Beaver Falls Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The proposed project is located on the Beaver River in Lewis County, New York.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Armando Sanchez, PE, Senior Project Manager, Algonquin Power Company, 2845 Bristol Circle, Oakville, Ontario, Canada L6H 7H7, 905-465-4555, *Armando.sanchez@algonquinpower.com*.

i. *FERC Contact:* Jake Tung, (202) 502-8757, or email at *hong.tung@ferc.gov*.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protest:* September 6, 2012.

Comments, motions to intervene, and protests may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "eFiling" link. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original and eight copies should be mailed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC. 20426. For more information on how to submit these types of filings, please go to the Commission's Web site located at <http://www.ferc.gov/filing-comments.asp>.

k. *Description of Request:* The licensee proposes to amend the license for the Lower Beaver Falls Hydroelectric Project (P-2823) to accelerate the expiration date of the license which expires September 30, 2019. The licensee requests the Commission to issue an order accelerating the expiration date of the license to December 31, 2017. The reasons for the request follow: (1) The licensee also operates the Upper Beaver Falls

Hydroelectric Project (P-2593), which is located immediately upstream from the Lower Beaver Falls Hydroelectric Project; (2) the current license for the Upper Beaver Falls Hydroelectric Project expires December 31, 2017, and the licensee will file a subsequent license application no later than December 31, 2015; and (3) the licensee would like to combine the relicensing activities since the two projects are small in size, approximate in location, and only approximately two years apart in license expiration date, which would result in substantial savings to the licensee and more effective consultation with resources agencies and other stakeholders. The project Lower Beaver Falls project works consist of: (1) A 4-acre reservoir formed by a 400-foot long concrete gravity dam with a maximum height of 14 feet, and a head pond elevation of 769.3 feet under normal operating conditions; (2) a powerhouse containing two 500-kW hydroelectric units; (3) a 2,400-volt transmission line 250 feet long; and (4) appurtenant facilities.

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> using the "eLibrary" link. 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](mailto: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. Development Application:* Any qualified applicant desiring to file a competing application must submit to the Commission, on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application, a competing development application, or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing development application no later than 120 days after the specified deadline date for the particular application. Applications for preliminary permits will not be accepted in response to this notice.

*p.* All filings must (1) Bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST", "MOTION TO INTERVENE", "NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE COMPETING APPLICATION", "COMPETING APPLICATION", "COMMENTS", "REPLY COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS", "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "PRESCRIPTIONS"; (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, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. Any of these documents must be filed by providing the original and seven copies to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. An additional copy must be sent to Director, Division of Hydropower Administration and Compliance, Office of Energy Projects, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, at the above address. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

*q. Agency Comments:* Federal, state, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the

Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have—no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

Dated: August 3, 2012.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2169-104]

#### Alcoa Power Generating Inc.; Brookfield Smoky Mountain Hydropower LLC; Notice of Application for Transfer of License, and Soliciting Comments and Motions To Intervene

On July 31, 2012, Alcoa Power Generating Inc. (transferor) and Brookfield Smoky Mountain Hydropower LLC (transferee) filed an application for the transfer of license for the Tapoco Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 2169), located on the Little Tennessee and Cheoah Rivers in Graham and Swain counties in North Carolina, and Blount and Monroe counties in Tennessee.

Applicants seek Commission approval to transfer the license for the Tapoco Hydroelectric Project from the transferor to the transferee.

*Applicants' Contact:* Transferor: Alcoa Inc., 390 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10022, Attn: Mr. Marc A. Pereira, Director, Corporate Development and Mr. David R. Poe, Bracewell & Giuliani LLP, 2000 K Street NW., Suite 500, Washington, DC 20006, (202) 828-5800, email [david.peo@bglp.com](mailto:david.peo@bglp.com).

*Transferee:* BAIF U.S. Renewable Power Holdings LLC, 200 Donald Lynch Blvd., Suite 300, Marlboro, MA 01752, Attn: Mr. David Bono, Vice President, Law and General Counsel and Mr. Patrick E. Groomes, Fulbright & Jaworski, L.L.P., 801 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC, (202) 662-4556, email [pgroomes@fulbright.com](mailto:pgroomes@fulbright.com).

*FERC Contact:* Patricia W. Gillis (202) 502-8735, [patricia.gillis@ferc.gov](mailto:patricia.gillis@ferc.gov).

*Deadline for filing comments and motions to intervene:* 30 days from the issuance date of this notice. Comments and motions to intervene may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under <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. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original plus seven copies should be mailed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. More information about this project can be viewed or printed on the eLibrary link of Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-2169) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3372.

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**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP12-484-000]

#### East Tennessee Natural Gas, LLC; Notice of Application

Take notice that on July 20, 2012, East Tennessee Natural Gas, LLC (East Tennessee), 5400 Westheimer Court, Houston, TX 77056-5310, filed in the above referenced docket an application pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) requesting authorization to construct, install, own, operate and maintain approximately 2,800 feet of 8-inch diameter pipeline lateral, a new metering station, a new main line valve and pressure limiting instrumentation, as well as all related and appurtenant facilities to provide up to 5,700 dekatherms per day (Dth/d) of firm transportation service and to establish an initial recourse rate for firm transportation service on the facilities, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. This filing 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