DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12741–003]

Albany Engineering Corporation; Notice of Successive Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On August 20, 2013, Albany Engineering Corporation (Albany Engineering) filed an application for a successive preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of hydropower adjacent to the New York State Canal Corporation’s Lock C5 located on the Hudson River in Saratoga and Washington Counties, New York. 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 Thomson Project would consist of: (1) A new arc-shaped dam consisting of six 111-foot-long 12-foot-high spillway sections integrated with five 50-foot-diameter circular-shell piers, located 1,600 feet downstream of the existing Northumberland Dam; (2) a new 324-acre impoundment between the new dam and the existing Northumberland Dam, that would extend an existing impoundment having a surface area of 2,750 acres at a normal water surface elevation of 101.1 feet mean sea level by lowering the crest of the existing dam; (3) a 4,000-foot-long by 12-foot-deep segment of the existing Champlain Canal; (4) the existing Lock No. 5 facilities; (5) five identical turbine-generating units each housed in one of five circular-shell piers, with a total capacity of 23.7 megawatts; (6) a new 8,000-foot-long, 34.5-kilovolt transmission line; and (7) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an estimated average annual generation of 68.9 gigawatt-hours.

FERC Contact: Monir Chowdhury; phone: (202) 502–6736.

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 4.35. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission’s eFiling system at 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. (866) 208–3676 (toll free), or (202) 502–8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P–12741–003.

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–12741) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Western Area Power Administration

Colorado River Storage Project-Rate Order No. WAPA–161

AGENCY: Western Area Power Administration, DOE.


SUMMARY: This action is to extend the existing Salt Lake City Area Integrated Projects (SLCA/IP) Firm Power Rate and the Colorado River Storage Project (CRSP) Transmission and Ancillary Services Rates through September 30, 2015. The existing SLCA/IP Firm Power Rate and CRSP Transmission and Ancillary Services Rates are set to expire September 30, 2013.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Lynn Jeka, CRSP Manager, CRSP Management Center, Western Area Power Administration, 150 East Social Hall Avenue, Suite 300, Salt Lake City, UT 84111–1580, (801) 524–6372, email jeka@wapa.gov, or Mr. Rodney Bailey, Power Marketing Manager, CRSP Management Center, Western Area Power Administration, 150 East Social Hall Avenue, Suite 300, Salt Lake City, UT 84111–1580, (801) 524–4007, email rbailey@wapa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Rate Schedules SLIP–F9, SP–PTP7, SP–NW3, SP–NFT6, SP–SD3, SP–RS3, SP–EI3, SP–FR3, and SP–SSR3, contained in Rate Order No. WAPA–137,1 were approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for a 5-year period through September 30, 2013. Western Area Power Administration (Western) is proposing to temporarily extend the existing SLCA/IP Firm Power Rate and CRSP Transmission and Ancillary Services Rates under Rate Schedules SLIP–F9, SP–PTP7, SP–NW3, SP–NFT6, SP–SD3, SP–RS3, SP–EI3, SP–FR3, and SP–SSR3 pursuant to 10 CFR § 903.23(b). As required by the Grand Canyon Protection Act of 1992, the Bureau of Reclamation has been preparing a reallocation of the costs of the Glen Canyon Dam. The results of the reallocation were recently finalized, provided to Western, and will be implemented into the FY 2013 power repayment study. Due to uncertainties that the reallocation will have on the SLCA/IP Rate, Western is seeking a temporary extension of the existing rates to allow sufficient time for a new rate process to be completed and the new rates to be placed into effect. The existing rates collect sufficient annual revenue to recover annual expenses, including interest and capital requirements, thus ensuring repayment of the project within the cost recovery criteria set forth in DOE Order RA 6120.2.

By Delegation Order No. 00–037.00, effective December 6, 2001, the Secretary of Energy delegated: (1) The authority to develop power and transmission rates to the Administrator of Western; (2) the authority to confirm, 1The rates in WAPA–137 were approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission on a final basis on June 19, 2009, in Docket No. EF08–5171–000 (127 FERC ¶ 62,220).
approve, and place such rates into effect on an interim basis to the Deputy Secretary of Energy; and (3) the authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect on a final basis, to

remand, or to disapprove such rates to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). This rate extension is issued pursuant to the Delegation Order and DOE rate extension procedures at 10 CFR § 903.23(b).

BACKGROUND


DISCUSSION

Western is extending the existing Salt Lake City Area Integrated Projects (SLCA/IP) Firm Power Rate and Colorado River Storage Project (CRSP) Transmission and Ancillary Services Rates until September 30, 2015, pursuant to 10 CFR § 903.23(b). As required by the Grand Canyon Protection Act of 1992, the Bureau of Reclamation has been preparing a reallocation of the costs of the Glen Canyon Dam. The results of the reallocation were recently finalized, provided to Western, and will be implemented into the FY 2013 power repayment study. Due to uncertainties that the reallocation will have on the SLCA/IP rate, Western is seeking a temporary extension of the existing rates to allow sufficient time for a new rate process to be completed and the new rates to be placed into effect. The existing SLCA/IP Firm Power Rate and CRSP Transmission and Ancillary Services Rates collect revenues sufficient to recover annual expenses, including interest and capital requirements, thus ensuring repayment of the project costs under the cost recovery criteria set forth in DOE Order RA 6120.2. As permitted by 10 CFR § 903.23(b), Western did not have an advanced notice and comment period and did not hold public information and comment forums on the extension of SLCA/IP Firm Power Rate and CRSP Transmission and Ancillary Services Rates.

ORDER

In view of the above and under the authority delegated to me, I hereby extend, as permitted by 10 CFR § 903.23(b), for a 2-year period, effective October 1, 2013, through September 30, 2015, the existing rate schedules SLIP–F9 for SLCA/IP Firm Power, and SP–PTP7, SP–NW3, SP–NFT6, SP–SD3, SP–RS3, SP–EI3, SP–FR3, and SP–SSR3 for CRSP Transmission and Ancillary Services.

Dated: September 6, 2013.

Daniel B. Poneman, Deputy Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

DEPUTY SECRETARY

In the matter of: Western Area Power Administration Temporary Extension for Salt Lake City Area Integrated Projects Firm Power Rates and Colorado River Storage Project Transmission and Ancillary Services Rates; Rate Order No. WAPA–161

ORDER CONFIRMING AND APPROVING A TEMPORARY EXTENSION OF THE SALT LAKE CITY AREA INTEGRATED PROJECTS FIRM POWER RATE AND THE COLORADO RIVER STORAGE PROJECT TRANSMISSION AND ANCILLARY SERVICES RATES

Section 302(a) of the Department of Energy (DOE) Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7152) transferred to and vested in the Secretary of Energy the power marketing functions of the Secretary of the Department of the Interior and the Bureau of Reclamation under the Reclamation Act of 1902 (ch. 1093, 32 Stat. 388), as amended and supplemented by subsequent laws, particularly section 9(c) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 (43 U.S.C. 485(h)(c)), and other Acts that specifically apply to the project systems involved.

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SEND (with OMB Number 2060-0450; expires on 08/31/2016; Approved without change.)

OMB Approvals

EPA ICR Number 1666.09; NESHAP for Commercial Ethylene Oxide Sterilization and Fumigation Operations; 40 CFR part 63 subparts A and O; was approved on 08/01/2013; OMB Number 2060–0283; expires on 08/31/2016; Approved without change.

EPA ICR Number 1926.06; NSPS for Commercial and Industrial Solid Waste Incineration Units; 40 CFR part 60 subparts A and CCCC; was approved on 08/01/2013; OMB Number 2060–0450; expires on 08/31/2016; Approved without change.

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Submission of Protocols and Study Reports for Environmental Research

Environmental Protection Agency

Agency Information Collection Activities OMB Responses

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This document announces the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) responses to Agency Clearance requests, in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et. Seq.). An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR chapter 15.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rick Westlund (202) 566–1682, or email at westlund.rick@epa.gov and please refer to the appropriate EPA Information Collection Request (ICR) Number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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