

carry out its responsibilities in implementing the statutory provisions of Section 203 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C. 824b. Section 203 authorizes the Commission to grant approval of transactions in which a public utility disposes of jurisdictional facilities, merges such facilities with the facilities owned by another person or acquires the securities of another public utility. Under this statute, the Commission must find that the proposed transaction will be consistent with the public interest.

Under Section 203 of the FPA, FERC must review proposed mergers, acquisitions and dispositions of jurisdictional facilities by public utilities, if the value of the facilities exceeds \$10 million, and must approve these transactions if they are consistent with the public interest. One of FERC's overarching goals is to promote competition in wholesale power markets, having determined that effective competition, as opposed to traditional forms of price regulation, can best protect the interests of ratepayers. Market power, however, can be

exercised to the detriment of effective competition and customers, making it necessary for FERC to review and approve or disapprove all jurisdictional mergers, dispositions and acquisitions. The Commission implements these filing requirements in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) under 18 CFR Part 33.

*Type of Respondents:* Public utilities subject to the FPA.

*Estimate of Annual Burden:*<sup>1</sup> The Commission estimates the annual public reporting burden for the information collection as:

**FERC-519**

[Application under Federal Power Act Section 203]

	Number of respondents	Annual number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden & cost per response <sup>2</sup>	Total annual burden hours & total annual cost	Cost per respondent (\$)
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*Comments:* Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: August 21, 2014.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

Secretary.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP14-533-000; Docket No. CP14-534-000]

**Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc.; Duke Energy Ohio, Inc.; Notice of Applications for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity**

Take notice that on August 13, 2014 Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc. (DEK) and Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (DOE), 139 E. Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202, filed in the above referenced dockets two complimentary applications pursuant to sections 7(b) and 7(f) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA). DEK requests authorization to abandon by sale to DEO, a segment of existing natural gas pipeline that extends from Kenton County, Kentucky to Hamilton County, Ohio. DEO is concurrently seeking a determination of a service area within which DEO may enlarge and extend its distribution facilities, without further Commission authorization, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing may also be viewed on the web 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, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Chuck Whitlock, President, Midwest Commercial Generation and Vice President, Gas Operations, at (513) 287-2534 or [chuck.whitlock@duke-energy.com](mailto:chuck.whitlock@duke-energy.com), Duke Energy Corporation, 139 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202.

Specifically, the pipeline segment to be conveyed to DEO (AM-1 River Crossing) originates at a pipeline valve in Kenton County, Kentucky, about 400 feet south of the Ohio River, and extends northward about 0.4 miles, under the river, to an interconnection with distribution facilities of DEO at a pipeline valve in Hamilton County, Ohio. It is part of DEK's Line AM-1 natural gas pipeline. DEK states that the AM-1 River Crossing is used for the sole purpose of delivering gas to DEO to serve its own retail customers and retail customer choice load in Ohio. DEK also states that its entire retail load that is served from Line AM-1 is located upstream of the proposed point of transfer, so no DEK customer will be

<sup>1</sup> The Commission defines burden as the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. For further explanation of what is included in the

information collection burden, reference 5 Code of Federal Regulations 1320.3.

<sup>2</sup> The estimates for cost per response are derived using the following formula: Average Burden Hours

per Response \* \$70.50 per Hour = Average Cost per Response. The hourly cost figure of \$70.50 is the average FERC employee wage plus benefits. We assume that respondents earn at a similar rate.

affected by the transfer. DEO's request includes (1) a determination that DEO's service area may be extended to include AM-1 River Crossing, the associated right-of-way and sufficient adjacent right-of-way to accommodate future replacement of the existing pipeline segment; (2) a finding that DEO continues to qualify as a local distribution company (LDC) for purposes of section 311 of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA); (3) a waiver of the regulatory requirements ordinarily applicable to natural gas companies under the NGA and NGPA; (4) and such further relief as the Commission may deem appropriate. DEO states that inclusion of the AM-1 River Crossing and adjacent right-of-way in DEO's service area will allow DEO to replace the line and thereby ensure continued reliable delivery of gas via the line to DEO's distribution system.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: Complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project 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 in the

proceeding with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party. 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 5 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on September 12, 2014.

Dated: August 22, 2014.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13701-002]

#### FFP Missouri 2, LLC; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests, and Other Agency Authorizations

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—Existing Dam.
- b. *Project No.:* 13701-002.
- c. *Date filed:* November 13, 2013.
- d. *Applicant:* FFP Missouri 2, LLC.
- e. *Name of Project:* Sardis Lake Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The proposed project would be located at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) existing Sardis Lake Dam, on the Little Tallahatchie River, near the Town of Sardis, Panola County, Mississippi. The proposed project would occupy approximately 59 acres of federal lands administered by the Corps.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Thomas Feldman, Vice President, Project Development, Free Flow Power Corporation, 239 Causeway Street, Suite 300, Boston, MA 02114; (978) 283-2822.

i. *FERC Contacts:* Jeanne Edwards at (202) 502-6181, [jeanne.edwards@ferc.gov](mailto:jeanne.edwards@ferc.gov) or Patti Leppert at (202) 502-6034, [patricia.leppert@ferc.gov](mailto:patricia.leppert@ferc.gov).

j. The deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests is 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene and protests and requests for cooperating agency status using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commentors 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](mailto: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-13701-002.

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors filing documents