

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 2839-014]

**Village of Lyndonville Electrical Department; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, Approving Use of the Traditional Licensing Process**

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File License Application and Request to Use the Traditional Licensing Process.

b. *Project No.:* 2839-014

c. *Date Filed:* May 27, 2014

d. *Submitted By:* Village of

Lyndonville Electrical Department (Lyndonville)

e. *Name of Project:* Great Falls Hydroelectric Project

f. *Location:* On the Passumpsic River, in Caledonia County, Vermont. No federal lands are occupied by the project works or located within the project boundary.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR 5.3 of the Commission's regulations

h. *Potential Applicant Contact:* Kenneth Mason, Village of Lyndonville Electrical Department, 119 Park Avenue, P.O. Box 167, Lyndonville, VT 05851; (802) 626-3366.

i. *FERC Contact:* Bill Connelly at (202) 502-8587; or email at [william.connelly@ferc.gov](mailto:william.connelly@ferc.gov).

j. Lyndonville filed its request to use the Traditional Licensing Process on May 27, 2014. Lyndonville provided public notice of its request on June 10, 2014. In a letter dated September 23, 2014, the Director of the Division of Hydropower Licensing approved Lyndonville's request to use the Traditional Licensing Process.

k. With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with 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. We are also initiating consultation with the Vermont State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by section 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.

l. With this notice, we are designating Lyndonville as the Commission's non-federal representative for carrying out informal consultation pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and consultation pursuant to section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

m. Lyndonville filed a Pre-Application Document (PAD; including

a proposed process plan and schedule) with the Commission, pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.

n. A copy of the PAD is available for electronic 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](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in paragraph h.

o. The licensee states its unequivocal intent to submit an application for a new license for Project No. 2839. Pursuant to 18 CFR 16.8, 16.9, and 16.10 each application for a new license and any competing license applications must be filed with the Commission at least 24 months prior to the expiration of the existing license. All applications for license for this project must be filed by May 31, 2017.

p. Register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filing and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: September 29, 2014.

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

[FR Doc. 2014-23621 Filed 10-2-14; 8:45 am]

**BILLING CODE 6717-01-P**

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 77-269]

**Pacific Gas and Electric Company; 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. *Type of Application:* Application for Temporary Variance of Minimum Flow Requirement.

b. *Project No.:* 77-269.

c. *Date Filed:* September 19, 2014.

d. *Applicant:* Pacific Gas and Electric Company (licensee).

e. *Name of Project:* Potter Valley Project.

f. *Location:* Eel River and East Fork Russian River in Lake and Mendocino Counties, California.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Ms. Neva Geldard, License Coordinator, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Mail Code: N13E, P.O. Box 770000, San Francisco, CA 94177.

i. *FERC Contact:* Mr. John Aedo, (415) 369-3335, or [john.aedo@ferc.gov](mailto:john.aedo@ferc.gov).

j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, protests, and recommendations is 30 days from the issuance date of this notice by the Commission (October 29, 2014). The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene, protests, comments, or recommendations 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](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. Please include the project number (P-77-269) on any comments, motions to intervene, protests, or recommendations filed.

k. *Description of Request:* The licensee requests a temporary variance of the minimum flow requirement in the East Branch Russian River. The licensee states that it is planning to conduct repairs to project works, including: Replacing the penstock shutoff valves, replacing the standpipe connection, and installing penstock protection. In order to complete the work, the licensee is requesting a temporary variance of its Dry year minimum flow requirement of 35 cubic feet per second (cfs) between November 1, 2014 and March 15, 2015. During this time, the licensee proposes to release flows through a conduit into a seasonal creek that is a tributary to the East Branch Russian River immediately downstream of the project powerhouse. The licensee states that during the repair period, it would release a minimum flow of 20 cfs from the conduit into the East Branch Russian River, which would include the release of up to 5 cfs for the Potter Valley Irrigation District. As the project is currently operating according to the Dry year criteria, the licensee states that if