

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 14698–000]

Shenango Dam Hydroelectric Company, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On August 11, 2015, Shenango Dam Hydroelectric Company, LLC, filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of hydropower at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) Shenango dam located on the Shenango River, near the Borough of Sharpsburg, Mercer County, Pennsylvania. 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 Shenango Hydroelectric Project would consist of the following: (1) Five bulb turbines/generators having a total installed capacity of 2,500 kilowatts to be installed on the upstream face of the existing dam in five of the seven discharge conduits; (2) a proposed steel equipment building 11 feet wide by 40 feet long housing the switchgear and transformer; (3) a 400-foot-long, 14.7-kilovolt transmission line extending to an existing FirstEnergy transmission system; and (4) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of 10,000 megawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Mr. David C. Sinclair, Advanced Hydro Solutions, LLC, 3000 Auburn Drive, Suite 430, Beachwood, OH 44122; phone: (216) 472–5581.

FERC Contact: Timothy Looney; phone: (202) 502–6096.

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 4.36.

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–14698–000.

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–14698) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: September 24, 2015.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. EL15–103–000]

San Diego Gas & Electric Company; Notice of Petition for Declaratory Order

Take notice that on September 23, 2015, pursuant to Rule 207 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.207(a), section 219 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 824(s), and Order No. 679,¹ San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E or Petitioner), filed a petition for declaratory order requesting authorization of incentive treatment for the South Orange County Reliability Enhancement Project. SDG&E requests incentive rate treatment for application to the Project that will authorize recovery of one hundred percent of all prudently incurred development and construction costs if the Project is abandoned or cancelled, in whole or in part, for reasons beyond SDG&E's

¹ *Promoting Transmission Investment through Pricing Reform*, Order No. 679, 71 FR 43294 (Jul. 31, 2006), *FERC Stats. & Regs.* ¶ 31,222 (2006) (Order No. 679), order on reh'g, Order No. 679–A, 72 FR 1152 (Jan. 10, 2007), *FERC Stats. & Regs.* ¶ 31,236 (“Order No. 679–A”), order on reh'g, 119 *FERC* ¶ 61,062 (2007).

control, as more fully explained in the petition.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Petitioner.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of 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

This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the “eLibrary” link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an “eSubscription” link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Comment Date: 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on October 23, 2015.

Dated: September 24, 2015.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

[No. 2015–N–08]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Housing Finance Agency.

ACTION: 30-Day Notice of Submission of Information Collection for Approval from the Office of Management and Budget.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork

Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) is submitting the information collection entitled "Advances to Housing Associates" to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval of a three year extension of OMB control number 2590-0001, which is due to expire on September 30, 2015.

DATES: Interested persons may submit comments on or before October 30, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of the Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for the Federal Housing Finance Agency, Washington, DC 20503, Fax: 202-395-6974, Email: *OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov*. Please also submit comments to FHFA, identified by "Proposed Collection; Comment Request: 'Advances to Housing Associates, (No. 2015-N-08)'" by any of the following methods:

- *Agency Web site:* www.fhfa.gov/open-for-comment-or-input.
- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments. If you submit your comment to the *Federal eRulemaking Portal*, please also send it by *email* to FHFA at RegComments@fhfa.gov to ensure timely receipt by the agency.
- *Mail/Hand Delivery:* Federal Housing Finance Agency, Eighth Floor, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20024, ATTENTION: Proposed Collection; Comment Request: "Advances to Housing Associates, (No. 2015-N-08)".

We will post all public comments we receive without change, including any personal information you provide, such as your name and address, email address, and telephone number, on the FHFA Web site at <http://www.fhfa.gov>. In addition, copies of all comments received will be available for examination by the public on business days between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m., at the Federal Housing Finance Agency, Eighth Floor, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20024. To make an appointment to inspect comments, please call the Office of General Counsel at (202) 649-3804.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jonathan F. Curtis, Financial Analyst, by email at Jonathan.Curtis@fhfa.gov, by telephone at (202) 649-3321, or Eric M. Raudenbush, Assistant General Counsel, Eric.Raudenbush@fhfa.gov, (202) 649-3084, (these are not toll-free numbers), Federal Housing Finance Agency, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20024. The Telecommunications Device

for the Hearing Impaired is (800) 877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Need for and Use of the Information Collection

Section 10b of the Federal Home Loan Bank Act (Bank Act) establishes the requirements for making Federal Home Loan Bank (Bank) advances to nonmember mortgagees, which are referred to as "Housing Associates" in FHFA's regulations.¹ Section 10b also establishes the eligibility requirements an applicant must meet in order to be certified as a Housing Associate.

Part 1264 of FHFA's regulations implements the statutory eligibility requirements and establishes uniform review criteria the Banks must use in evaluating applications from entities that wish to be certified as a Housing Associate. Specifically, § 1264.4 implements the statutory eligibility requirements and provides guidance to an applicant on how it may satisfy those requirements.² Section 1264.5 authorizes the Banks to approve or deny all applications for certification as a Housing Associate, subject to the statutory and regulatory requirements.³ It also permits an applicant that has been denied certification by a Bank to appeal that decision to FHFA.

In part 1266 of FHFA's regulations, subpart B governs Bank advances to Housing Associates that have been approved under part 1264. Section 1266.17 establishes the terms and conditions under which a Bank may make advances to Housing Associates.⁴ Specifically, § 1266.17(e) imposes a continuing obligation on each certified Housing Associate to provide information necessary for the Bank to determine if it remains in compliance with applicable statutory and regulatory requirements, as set forth in part 1264.

The OMB control number for the information collection, which expires on September 30, 2015, is 2590-0001. The likely respondents include entities applying to be certified as a Housing Associate and current Housing Associates.

B. Burden Estimates

FHFA estimates the total annualized hour burden imposed upon respondents by this information collection to be 336 hours (28 hours for applicants + 308 hours for current Housing Associates), based on the following calculations:

¹ See 12 U.S.C. 1430b; 12 CFR 1264.3.

² See 12 CFR 1264.4.

³ See 12 CFR 1264.5.

⁴ See 12 CFR 1266.17.

I. Applicants

FHFA estimates that the total annual average number of entities applying to be certified as a Housing Associate over the next three years will be 2, with one response per applicant. The estimate for the average hours per application is 14 hours. Therefore, the estimate for the total annual hour burden for all applicants is 28 hours (2 applicants × 1 response per applicant × 14 hours = 28 hours).

II. Current Housing Associates

FHFA estimates that the total annual average number of existing Housing Associates over the next three years will be 77, with one response per Housing Associate required to comply with the regulatory reporting requirements. The estimate for the average hours per response is 4 hours. Therefore, the estimate for the total annual hour burden for current Housing Associates is 308 hours (77 certified Housing Associates × 1 response per associate × 4 hours = 308 hours).

C. Comment Request

Comment Received in Response to the Initial Notice

In accordance with the requirements of 5 CFR 1320.8(d), FHFA published a request for public comments regarding this information collection in the **Federal Register** on July 2, 2015.⁵ The 60-day comment period closed on August 31, 2015. FHFA received one comment that did not address the burden estimates, or any other PRA-related aspect of the collection.

Further Comments Requested in Response to This Notice

In response to this notice, FHFA requests written comments on the following: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of FHFA functions, including whether the information has practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FHFA's estimates of the burdens of the collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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Kevin Winkler,
Chief Information Officer, Federal Housing Finance Agency.

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⁵ See 80 FR 38200 (July 2, 2015).