

associated with, but not a part of, the decisional record of the proceeding. Unless the Commission determines that the prohibited communication and any responses thereto should become a part of the decisional record, the prohibited off-the-record communication will not be considered by the Commission in reaching its decision. Parties to a proceeding may seek the opportunity to respond to any facts or contentions made in a prohibited off-the-record communication, and may request that the Commission place the prohibited communication and responses thereto in the decisional record. The Commission will grant such a request

only when it determines that fairness so requires. Any person identified below as having made a prohibited off-the-record communication shall serve the document on all parties listed on the official service list for the applicable proceeding in accordance with Rule 2010, 18 CFR 385.2010.

Exempt off-the-record communications are included in the decisional record of the proceeding, unless the communication was with a cooperating agency as described by 40 CFR 1501.6, made under 18 CFR 385.2201(e)(1)(v).

The following is a list of off-the-record communications recently

received by the Secretary of the Commission. The communications listed are grouped by docket numbers in ascending order. These filings are available for electronic 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, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

| Docket No.            | File date | Presenter or requester                        |
|-----------------------|-----------|---|
| <i>Prohibited:</i>    |           |   |
| 1. CP14-529-000 ..... | 4-28-2017 | FERC Staff. <sup>1</sup>                      |
| <i>Exempt:</i>        |           |   |
| 1. P-2100-000 .....   | 4-18-2017 | State of California Legislature. <sup>2</sup> |
| 2. CP14-529-000 ..... | 4-19-2017 | U.S. Senate. <sup>3</sup>                     |
| 3. P-13212-000 .....  | 4-21-2017 | FERC Staff. <sup>4</sup>                      |
| 2. P-2413-000 .....   | 4-25-2017 | U.S. Senator Johnny Isakson.                  |
| 3. CP14-529-000 ..... | 4-26-2017 | U.S. House Representative Richard E. Neal.    |

<sup>1</sup> Phone Memorandum reporting conversation on April 21, 2017 with Laura Friedman.

<sup>2</sup> Assemblyman James Gallagher and Senator Jim Nielsen.

<sup>3</sup> Senators Elizabeth Warren and Edward J. Markey.

<sup>4</sup> Telephone Conversation Memo dated April 21, 2017 reporting teleconference with Cory Warnock of Kenai Hydro, LLC.

Dated: May 2, 2017.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 9100-040]

**Riverdale Power & Electric Co., Inc.;  
Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission and Establishing Procedural Schedule for Licensing and Deadline for Submission of Final Amendments**

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

a. *Type of Application:* Subsequent Minor License.

b. Project No.: 9100-040.

c. *Date Filed:* April 27, 2017.

d. *Applicant:* Riverdale Power & Electric Co., Inc. (Riverdale Power).

e. *Name of Project:* Riverdale Mills Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Blackstone River in Worcester County, Massachusetts. There are no federal or tribal lands within the project boundary.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Kevin Young, Young Energy Services, LLC, 2112 Talmage Drive, Leland, NC 28451; (617) 645-3658.

i. *FERC Contact:* Dr. Nicholas Palso, (202) 502-8854 or [nicholas.palso@ferc.gov](mailto:nicholas.palso@ferc.gov).

j. Cooperating agencies: Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues that wish to cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document should follow the instructions for filing such requests described in item l below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document cannot also intervene. *See*, 94 FERC 61,076 (2001).

k. Pursuant to section 4.32(b)(7) of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than 60 days from the date of filing of the application, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

l. Deadline for filing additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status: June 26, 2017.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. 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-9100-040.

m. This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

n. The existing Riverdale Mills Hydroelectric Project consists of: (1) A 10-foot-high, 142-foot-long dam with six bays containing numerous stoplogs or flashboards with a crest elevation of 262.35 feet above mean sea level; (2) an 11.8-acre impoundment; (3) three sluiceways, one that is currently in use; (4) a 150-kilowatt turbine-generator unit located in a mill building; (5) a 231-foot-long tailrace; and (6) appurtenant facilities.

Riverdale Power operates the project in a run-of-river mode with an annual average generation of approximately 785 megawatt-hours. Riverdale Power is not proposing any new project facilities or changes in project operation.

o. A copy of the application 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

Online Support. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at Riverdale Power's office at 130 Riverdale Street, Northbridge, MA 01534.

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, contact FERC Online Support.

p. Procedural schedule and final amendments: The application will be processed according to the following preliminary Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

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| Issue Deficiency Letter (if necessary) .....           | July 2017.      |
| Request Additional Information .....                   | July 2017.      |
| Issue Acceptance Letter .....                          | October 2017.   |
| Issue Scoping Document 1 for comments .....            | October 2017.   |
| Request Additional Information (if necessary) .....    | December 2017.  |
| Issue Scoping Document 2 .....                         | December 2017.  |
| Issue notice of ready for environmental analysis ..... | March 2018.     |
| Commission issues EA or draft EA .....                 | September 2018. |
| Comments on EA or draft EA .....                       | October 2018.   |
| Commission issues final EA .....                       | January 2019.   |

Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of the notice of ready for environmental analysis.

Dated: May 2, 2017.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. CP17-15-000]

**Dominion Cove Point LNG, LP; Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review of the Eastern Market Access Project**

On November 15, 2016, Dominion Cove Point LNG, LP (Dominion) filed an application in Docket No. CP17-15-000 requesting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act to construct and operate certain natural gas pipeline facilities. DCP's proposed Eastern Market Access Project (Project) in Maryland and Virginia would transport about 294 million cubic feet per day of firm natural gas service to Washington Gas Light Company and provide fuel to Mattawoman Energy, LLC's Mattawoman Energy Center (power generation facility).

On November 30, 2016, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) issued its Notice of Application for the Project. Among other things, that notice alerted other agencies issuing federal authorizations of the requirement to complete all necessary reviews and to reach a final decision on the request for a federal authorization within 90 days of the date

of issuance of the Commission staff's Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Project. This instant notice identifies the FERC staff's planned schedule for completion of the EA for the Project.

**Schedule for Environmental Review**

Issuance of the EA June 27, 2017  
90-day Federal Authorization Decision  
Deadline September 25, 2017

If a schedule change becomes necessary, additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies are kept informed of the Project's progress.

**Project Description**

The Eastern Market Access Project consists of a new 24,370 horsepower (hp) compressor station and installation of two new taps at an existing Washington Gas Light Company Interconnect in Charles County, Maryland; one new 7,000 hp electric-driven compressor and replacement of three existing gas coolers and compression cylinders at the existing Loudoun County Compressor Station, and a new meter building to enclose existing equipment at the Loudoun Meter & Regulating Station in Loudoun County, Virginia; and re-wheeling of the compressor on a 17,400 hp electric unit and upgrading two gas coolers at the Pleasant Valley Compressor Station in Fairfax County, Virginia.

**Background**

On February 15, 2017, the Commission issued a *Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Eastern Market Access Project, Request for Comments on Environmental Issues, and Notice of Public Scoping Session* (NOI). The NOI was sent to affected landowners; federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and

public interest groups; Native American tribes; local libraries and newspapers; and other interested parties. In response to the Notice of Application and the NOI, the Commission received 336 comments, including comments from 2 federal agencies, 4 local agencies, 4 state agencies, 3 non-governmental agencies, 14 companies (including 6 chambers of commerce), and 328 individuals. The primary issues raised during scoping include impacts on: Drinking water supplies, surface waterbodies, and wetlands; forested areas and wildlife; surrounding land use; visual resources; historic properties and Native American tribes; air quality and noise; and public safety.

**Additional Information**

In order to receive notification of the issuance of the EA and to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to [www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp](http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp).

Additional information about the Project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (866) 208-FERC or on the FERC Web site ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)). Using the eLibrary link, select General Search from the eLibrary menu, enter the selected date range and "Docket Number" excluding the last three digits (*i.e.*, CP17-15), and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to eLibrary, the helpline can be reached at (866) 208-3676, TTY (202) 502-8659, or at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov). The eLibrary link on the FERC Web site also