

**Schedule for Environmental Review**

*Issuance of Notice of Availability of EA:* September 14, 2017.

*90-day Federal Authorization*

*Decision Deadline:* December 13, 2017.

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

**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 ([www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp](http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp)).

Dated: July 27, 2017.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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

[Project No. 14819-000]

**Merchant Hydro Developers, LLC;  
Notice of Preliminary Permit  
Application Accepted for Filing and  
Soliciting Comments, Motions To  
Intervene, and Competing Applications**

On January 18, 2017, Merchant Hydro Developers, 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 the Allamuchy Pumped Storage Hydroelectric Project to be located near the town of Budd Lake, New Jersey in Morris County, New Jersey. 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 project would consist of the following: (1) A new upper reservoir with a surface area of 70 acres and a storage capacity of 1,050 acre-feet at a surface elevation of approximately 1,150 feet above mean sea level (msl) created through construction of a new roller-compacted concrete or rock-filled dam; (2) excavating a new lower reservoir with a surface area of 39 acres and a total storage capacity of 1,260 acre-feet at a surface elevation of 780 feet msl; (3)

a new 1,328-foot-long, 48-inch-diameter penstock connecting the upper and lower reservoirs; (4) a new 150-foot-long, 50-foot-wide powerhouse containing two turbine-generator units with a total rated capacity of 32 megawatts; (5) a new transmission line connecting the powerhouse to a nearby electric grid interconnection point with options to evaluate multiple grid interconnection locations; and (6) appurtenant facilities. Possible initial fill water and make-up water would come from the Musconetcong River. The proposed project would have an annual generation of 116,253 megawatt-hours.

*Applicant Contact:* Adam Rousselle, Merchant Hydro Developers, LLC, 5710 Oak Crest Drive, Doylestown, PA 18902; phone: (267) 254-6107.

*FERC Contact:* Tim 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.<sup>1</sup> 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](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-14819-000.

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-14819) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

<sup>1</sup> The Commission is issuing a second notice for this project because some municipalities may not have been notified by the first notice issued on May 25, 2017.

Dated: August 3, 2017.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****Combined Notice of Filings**

Take notice that the Commission has received the following Natural Gas Pipeline Rate and Refund Report filings:

**Filings Instituting Proceedings**

*Docket Numbers:* RP17-363-002.

*Applicants:* Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company.

*Description:* Eastern Shore Natural Gas Company submits tariff filing per 154.203: Motion to Place Suspended Tariff Sheets into Effect to be effective 8/1/2017.

*Filed Date:* 07/31/2017.

*Accession Number:* 20170731-5263.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, August 14, 2017.

*Docket Numbers:* RP17-927-000.

*Applicants:* Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP.

*Description:* Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP submits tariff filing per 154.204: Cap Rel Neg Rate Agmt (Petrohawk 41455 to Texla 48436) to be effective 8/1/2017.

*Filed Date:* 07/31/2017.

*Accession Number:* 20170731-5101.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, August 14, 2017.

*Docket Numbers:* RP17-928-000.

*Applicants:* Great Lakes Gas Transmission Limited Par.

*Description:* Great Lakes Gas Transmission Limited Partnership Semi-Annual Transporter's Use Report.

*Filed Date:* 07/31/2017.

*Accession Number:* 20170731-5125.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, August 14, 2017.

*Docket Numbers:* RP17-929-000.

*Applicants:* Dominion Energy Overthrust Pipeline, LLC.

*Description:* Annual Fuel Gas Reimbursement Report for 2017 of Dominion Energy Overthrust Pipeline, LLC.

*Filed Date:* 07/31/2017.

*Accession Number:* 20170731-5126.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, August 14, 2017.

*Docket Numbers:* RP17-930-000.

*Applicants:* Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC.

*Description:* Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC submits tariff filing