

f. *Location*: On the Mad River, in the Town of Campton, Grafton County, New Hampshire. The project occupies approximately 0.1 acre of United States lands administered by the United States Forest Service.

g. *Filed Pursuant to*: 18 CFR 5.3 and 5.5 of the Commission's regulations.

h. *Potential Applicant Contact*: Ian Clark, Managing Partner, Mad River Power Associates LP, 826 Scarsdale Avenue, Scarsdale, NY 10583; (914) 297-7645.

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

j. Mad River Power Associates LP filed its request to use the Traditional Licensing Process on October 17, 2017. Mad River Power Associates LP provided public notice of its request on October 22, 2017. In a letter dated December 13, 2017, the Director of the Division of Hydropower Licensing approved Mad River Power Associates LP'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 NOAA Fisheries under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR, Part 402; and NOAA Fisheries under section 305(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and implementing regulations at 50 CFR 600.920. We are also initiating consultation with the New Hampshire State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by section 106 of the 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 Mad River Power Associates LP as the Commission's non-federal representative for carrying out informal consultation pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and section 305(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act; and consultation pursuant to section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

m. Mad River Power Associates LP 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 review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's website (<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 subsequent license for Project No. 3253. Pursuant to 18 CFR 16.20 each application for a subsequent 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 October 31, 2020.

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: December 13, 2017.

**Kimberly D. Bose**,  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. AC18-15-000]

#### Notice of Request for Waiver: Empire Pipeline, Inc.

Take notice that on November 9, 2017, Empire Pipeline, Inc., filed a request for waiver of the requirement to provide its certified public accountant certification statement for the 2017 FERC Form No. 2 on the basis of the calendar year ending December 31.

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 Applicant.

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 website 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](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

*Comments*: 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on January 8, 2018.

Dated: December 12, 2017.

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 1235-017]

#### City of Radford; Notice Soliciting Scoping Comments

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.*: 1235-017.

c. *Date filed*: May 30, 2017.

d. *Applicant*: City of Radford.

e. *Name of Project*: Municipal Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location*: On the Little River near the City of Radford in Montgomery and Pulaski Counties, Virginia. The project does not affect federal lands.

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

h. *Applicant Contact*: Tim Logwood, Director of Electric Utilities for the City of Radford, 701 17th Street Radford, VA 24141; Telephone (540) 731-3641.

i. *FERC Contact*: Allyson Conner, (202) 502-6082 or [allyson.conner@ferc.gov](mailto:allyson.conner@ferc.gov).

j. *Deadline for filing scoping comments*: 30 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file scoping comments using the Commission's