

k. *Description of Request:* As required by Article 407 of the September 22, 2016 license, Cube Yadkin Generation, LLC (licensee) requests Commission approval of a revised shoreline management plan (SMP) for the project. The SMP describes land uses and environmental resources at the project, describes the licensee's shoreline development permitting and shoreline stewardship provisions, and includes various maps (e.g., land use classifications, environmental resource maps, etc.) to support its permitting processes.

l. *Locations of the Application:* A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's website 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. 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, call 1-866-208-3676 or email [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. *Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene:* Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214, respectively. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

o. *Filing and Service of Documents:* Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing

responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person commenting, protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis. Any filing made by an intervenor must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2010.

Dated: November 13, 2018.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM19-6-000]

#### Hydroelectric Licensing Regulations Under America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018; Notice Inviting Federal and State Agencies and Indian Tribes To Request Participation in the Interagency Task Force Pursuant to America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018

On October 23, 2018, the President signed America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018 (Act) into law. Sections 3003 and 3004 of the Act require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to issue rules establishing expedited processes for issuing and amending licenses for qualifying facilities at existing nonpowered dams and for closed-loop pumped storage projects. The processes must seek to ensure a final decision by the Commission on an application for a license by no later than two years after receipt of a completed application. These sections also require the Commission to convene an interagency task force (ITF) to coordinate the regulatory processes associated with the authorizations required in connection with the new processes. Because of the Congressionally-mandated deadline, participation in the ITF will be time sensitive.

The Commission invites federal and state agencies and Indian tribes to request participation on the ITF. Federal and state agencies and Indian tribes who wish to participate on the ITF must file a statement of interest with the Commission by November 29, 2018. The statement of interest should include the

following information: The name of the agency or tribe; the name, title, phone number, and email address of the contact person; a brief explanation of the agency's or tribe's interest in joining the ITF; and a brief description of the agency's or tribe's experience with hydropower license proceedings.

In light of the Congressionally-mandated deadline and in the interest of facilitating an efficient and effective discussion, Commission staff will select a representative group of federal agencies, state agencies, and Indian tribes to participate on the ITF. The Commission will directly notify the agencies and tribes selected to participate on the ITF. Commission staff plans to hold a coordination session for ITF participants, which is scheduled for December 12, 2018. By concurrent notice, the Commission has established a schedule in order to implement the requirements of the Act.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file ITF-interest statements in Docket No. RM19-6-000 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 RM19-6-000.

For more information about this notice, please contact: Shana Wiseman, Office of Energy Projects, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502-8736, [shana.wiseman@ferc.gov](mailto:shana.wiseman@ferc.gov).

Dated: November 13, 2018.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12611-009]

#### Verdant Power, LLC; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, and Approving Use of the Traditional Licensing Process

a. *Type of Application:* Notice of Intent to File License Application and

## Request to Use the Traditional Licensing Process.

b. *Project No.*: 12611–009.

c. *Date filed*: August 31, 2018.

d. *Submitted by*: Verdant Power, LLC.

e. *Name of Project*: Roosevelt Island Tidal Energy Project.

f. *Location*: On the East River in New York City, New York. 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*: Mr. Ronald F. Smith, President, Verdant Power, LLC, 20 River Road, Suite 20C, Roosevelt Island, New York, NY 10044, Phone: (703) 328–6842, Email: [rsmith@verdantpower.com](mailto:rsmith@verdantpower.com).

i. *FERC Contact*: Andy Bernick, Phone: (202) 502–8660, Email: [andrew.bernick@ferc.gov](mailto:andrew.bernick@ferc.gov).

j. Verdant Power, LLC filed a request to use the Traditional Licensing Process on August 31, 2018 and provided public notice of its request on September 28, 2018. In a letter dated November 13, 2018, the Director of the Division of Hydropower Licensing approved Verdant Power, LLC'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; 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 York State Historic Preservation Office, 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 Verdant Power, LLC 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. Verdant Power, LLC 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. 12611. Pursuant to 18 CFR 16.8, 16.9, and 16.10 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 December 31, 2019.

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: November 13, 2018.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RM98–1–000]

### Records Governing Off-the-Record Communications; Public Notice

This constitutes notice, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2201(b), of the receipt of prohibited and exempt off-the-record communications.

Order No. 607 (64 FR 51222, September 22, 1999) requires Commission decisional employees, who make or receive a prohibited or exempt

off-the-record communication relevant to the merits of a contested proceeding, to deliver to the Secretary of the Commission, a copy of the communication, if written, or a summary of the substance of any oral communication.

Prohibited communications are included in a public, non-decisional file 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 website 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
Prohibited:		
1. CP17–117–000, CP17–118–000 .....	10–26–2018	DeWanna Tarver.
Exempt:		
1. CP17–117–000, CP17–118–000 .....	10–25–2018	State of Louisiana Representative Taylor F. Barras.
2. CP17–117–000, CP17–118–000 .....	10–30–2018	Ralph Abraham, M.D.
3. CP17–117–000, CP17–118–000 .....	11–1–2018	U.S. Senator John Kennedy.