

d. *Applicant*: Boyne USA, Inc.  
e. *Name of Project*: Boyne River Hydroelectric Project.  
f. *Location*: On the Boyne River in Boyne Valley Township, Charlevoix County, Michigan.  
g. *Filed Pursuant to*: Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791 (a)–825(r).  
h. *Applicant Contact*: Randall Sutton, Boyne Mountain Resort Area Manager Boyne USA, Inc., P.O. Box 19, Boyne Falls, MI 49713; (231) 549–6076; [rsutton@boynemountain.com](mailto:rsutton@boynemountain.com).  
i. *FERC Contact*: Patrick Ely at [patrick.ely@ferc.gov](mailto:patrick.ely@ferc.gov) or (202) 502–8570.  
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 18 CFR 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*: March 31, 2020.  
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–3409–032.  
m. The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.  
n. The Boyne River Hydroelectric Project (project) consists of a reservoir with a gross storage capacity of 356 acre-feet and a surface area of 68 acres at a pool elevation of 636.8 feet National

Geodetic Vertical Datum 1988. The project includes: (a) An existing 610-foot-long by 30-foot-high (left) earth-fill dam embankment, a 180-foot-long by 18-foot-high (right) earth-fill dam embankment, a 75-foot-long concrete spillway; (b) a 132-foot-long by 50 to 72-foot-wide by 12-foot-deep concrete lined headrace channel; (c) a 74-foot-long steel penstock consisting of two 5-foot-diameter and one 7-foot-diameter sections; (d) a 20-foot-long by 8.3-foot-wide to 16-foot-wide by 4-foot-deep stilling basin; and (e) a 24-foot-long by 24-foot-wide concrete powerhouse with a single 250-kilowatt propeller turbine. The project also consists of a 2.5-mile-long, 12.5-kilovolt transmission line and appurtenant facilities. The project generates about 661 megawatt-hours annually. The applicant proposes to continue to operate the project in a run-of-river mode.

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 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, contact FERC Online Support. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/subscription.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 schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Deficiency Letter (if necessary)—March 2020

Request Additional Information (if necessary)—March 2020

Issue Scoping Document 1 for comments—July 2020

Request Additional Information (if necessary)—September 2020

Issue Scoping Document 2 (if necessary)—October 2020

Issue Notice of Ready for Environmental Analysis—October 2020

Commission issues EA—April 2021

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: February 11, 2020.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Filing

	Docket Nos.
Balfour, Scott C. ....	ID–7646–004
Bennett, Robert R. ....	ID–7647–002
Blunden, Gregory W. ....	ID–7981–001
Muldoon, Daniel P. ....	ID–8749–001
Schwartz, David E. ....	ID–3396–002
Strickland, Valerie C. ....	ID–8254–001
Weatherford, William W. ....	ID–8850–000

Take notice that on February 10, 2020, Scott C. Balfour, Robert R. Bennett, Gregory W. Blunden, Daniel P. Muldoon, David E. Schwartz, Valerie C. Strickland, and William W. Weatherford, submitted for filing, applications for authority to hold interlocking positions, pursuant to section 305(b) of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 825d(b) (2019) and section 45.8 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR part 45.8 (2019).

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. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than 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 electronic 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.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on March 2, 2020.

Dated: February 10, 2020.

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

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2879-012]

#### **Green Mountain Power Corporation; 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:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 2879-012.

c. *Date Filed:* January 30, 2020.

d. *Applicant:* Green Mountain Power Corporation (Green Mountain Power).

e. *Name of Project:* Bolton Falls Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The existing project is located on the Winooski River in Washington County, Vermont. 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:* Mr. John Greenan, P.E., Engineer, Green Mountain Power Corporation, 1252 Post Road, Rutland, Vermont 05701; phone: (802) 770-2195 or email at [John.Greenan@greenmountainpower.com](mailto:John.Greenan@greenmountainpower.com).

i. *FERC Contact:* Michael Tust, (202) 502-6522 or [michael.tust@ferc.gov](mailto:michael.tust@ferc.gov).

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

k. *Project Description:* The project consists of the following constructed facilities: (1) A 92-foot-high, 275-foot-wide timber crib dam with a 5-foot-high rubber dam atop the timber crib

construction with a maximum crest elevation of 397 feet referenced to National Geodetic Vertical 1929 Datum and a 196-foot-long reinforced concrete spillway cap at a crest elevation of 392 feet; (2) a 59-acre impoundment with a total storage capacity of 300 acre-feet at a normal operating elevation of 397 feet; (3) a forebay with two concrete intakes, each with a 3-inch-spaced trashrack; (4) two 10-foot diameter, 120-foot-long steel penstocks encased in concrete, extending from each intake through the dam to the generating units; (5) a 73-foot-long, 57-foot-wide powerhouse containing two horizontal, 3,750-kilowatt Kaplan turbines with a total installed capacity of 7,500 kilowatts; (6) a 36-inch diameter steel bypass pipe with an invert elevation of 383 feet that discharges near the left side of the spillway base; (7) an approximately 130-foot long, 5-kilovolt underground transmission line connecting to an adjacent switchyard; (8) a 600-foot-long, 34.5-kilovolt overhead transmission line connecting to a second switchyard; and (9) appurtenant facilities. Green Mountain Power also maintains day-use recreation facilities at the project, including a picnic area, parking lot, trails, fishing access, and a canoe launch and portage trail.

Green Mountain Power proposes to operate in automated run-of-river mode as it does under its current practice but instead of providing a 300-cfs minimum flow into the bypassed reach via spill over the dam or through the powerhouse, Green Mountain Power proposes to provide a seasonal aesthetic spill flow of 75 cfs or inflow, whichever is less, into the bypassed reach during daylight hours from April 1 through December 15. Green Mountain Power would only provide leakage flows from the dam into the bypassed reach during nighttime hours from April 1 through December 15 as well as during day and nighttime hours from December 16 through March 31. Under normal flow conditions during periods when aesthetic spillage is required, Green Mountain proposes to maintain the impoundment at an elevation of 397.25 feet. During periods when aesthetic spillage over the dam is not required, Green Mountain Power proposes to maintain the reservoir at an elevation of 397 feet as it does under its existing operation. In addition to operating and maintaining its existing recreation facilities, Green Mountain Power proposes the following improvements to its recreation facilities: (1) Relocate the existing parking area out of the

floodplain; (2) place barriers and signage to redirect foot traffic away from areas with state-designated rare creeping lovegrass at the day-use area; (3) add two picnic tables and an information kiosk to the day-use area; (4) improve signage at the portage landing and along the portage trail for boaters; (5) construct an improved portage landing; and (6) clear brush along the portage trail.

Green Mountain Power is proposing to remove approximately 9.2 acres of lands and water from the current project boundary because these areas do not contain any project recreation facilities and are not necessary for project operation and maintenance. These areas include 4.2 acres of land south of the existing portage trail and northwest of the VELCO transmission line, 2.9 acres of land south of Power Plant Road, and 2.1 acres of the Winooski River and shoreline downstream of the dam located outside of the project bypassed reach and tailrace. In addition, Green Mountain Power is proposing to add approximately 7.6 acres of land to the project boundary. These areas include: (1) Approximately 1.4 acres of land along a secondary access road located to the south of the portage trail take-out; (2) approximately 4.1 acres of land along the middle section of the portage trail to fully enclose the portage trail; and (3) approximately 2.1 acres of lands along the primary project access road to provide vehicular and pedestrian access to the project for operation and maintenance purposes as well as access to the project's day-use recreation area.

l. *Locations of the Application:* 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 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), (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY).

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n. *Procedural Schedule:* The application will be processed according to the following preliminary Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate.