

The proposed Expansion Project will be constructed and located on an approximately 587-acre site on the west bank of the Mississippi River immediately adjacent to the site on which the existing Plaquemines Terminal is located in Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana. Plaquemines Expansion states that the Expansion Project will be interconnected with and utilize certain facilities of the Plaquemines Terminal, and will include new liquefaction facilities and other major facilities to support the incremental LNG export operations.

Plaquemines Expansion requests authorization to export the LNG to: (i) any nation with which the United States has entered into a free trade agreement (FTA) requiring national treatment for trade in natural gas (FTA nations), and (ii) any other nation with which trade is not prohibited by U.S. law or policy (non-FTA nations). This Notice applies only to the portion of the Application requesting authority to export LNG to non-FTA countries pursuant to section 3(a) of the NGA.² DOE will review Plaquemines Expansion's request for authorization to export LNG to FTA countries separately pursuant to NGA section 3(c).³

Plaquemines Expansion seeks this authorization on its own behalf and as agent for other entities that will hold title to the LNG at the time of export. Plaquemines Expansion requests the authorization for a term of 20 years "commencing on the earlier of the date of first export or seven years from the date the requested authorization is granted by DOE/FECM,"⁴ plus a three-year Make-Up period at the end of that term consistent with recent DOE practice.⁵

Additional details can be found in Plaquemines Expansion's Application, posted on the DOE website at <https://www.energy.gov/fecm/articles/plaquemines-expansion-llc-plaquemines-expansion-fecm-docket-no-25-143-lng>.

² 15 U.S.C. 717b(a).

³ *Id.* 717b(c).

⁴ Plaquemines Expansion, LLC, Application for Authorizations to Export Liquefied Natural Gas to Free Trade and Non-Free Trade Agreement Nations, Docket No. 25-143-LNG, at 14 (Nov. 17, 2025) [hereinafter App.].

⁵ Plaquemines Expansion emphasizes that, due to the circumstances of its proposed Expansion Project, it is not requesting DOE's "generally applicable term through December 31, 2050," as set forth in DOE's 2050 Policy Statement, but rather is requesting a "term of 20 years after the start of commercial exports under the requested authorization," as well as the three-year Make-Up Period. App. at 17; *see also id.* at 3.

DOE Evaluation

In reviewing the Application, DOE will consider any issues required by law or policy under NGA section 3(a), DOE's regulations, and any other documents deemed appropriate.

Parties that may oppose the Application should address these issues and documents in their comments and/or protests, as well as other issues deemed relevant to the Application.

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*, requires DOE to give appropriate consideration to the environmental effects of its proposed decisions. No final decision will be issued in this proceeding until DOE has met its NEPA responsibilities.

Public Comment Procedures

In response to this Notice, any person may file a protest, comments, or a motion to intervene or notice of intervention, as applicable, addressing the Application. Interested parties will be provided 60 days from the date of publication of this Notice in the **Federal Register** in which to submit comments, protests, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention.

Any person wishing to become a party to this proceeding evaluating the Application must file a motion to intervene or notice of intervention.⁶ The filing of comments or a protest with respect to the Application will not serve to make the commenter or protestant a party to this proceeding, although protests and comments received from persons who are not parties will be considered in determining the appropriate action to be taken on the Application. All protests, comments, motions to intervene, or notices of intervention must meet the requirements specified by DOE's regulations in 10 CFR part 590, including the service requirements.

Filings may be submitted using one of the following methods:

(1) Submitting the filing electronically at fergas@hq.doe.gov;

(2) Mailing the filing to the Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section; or

(3) Hand delivering the filing to the Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section.

For administrative efficiency, DOE prefers filings to be filed electronically. All filings must include a reference to "Docket No. 25-143-LNG" or "Plaquemines Expansion Application"

⁶ 10 CFR 590.303.

in the title line. Filings must be submitted in English to be considered.⁷

For electronic submissions: Please include all related documents and attachments (e.g., exhibits) in the original email correspondence. Please do not include any active hyperlinks or password protection in any of the documents or attachments related to the filing. All electronic filings submitted to DOE must follow these guidelines to ensure that all documents are filed in a timely manner.

The Application, and any filed protests, motions to intervene, notices of intervention, and comments will be available electronically on the DOE website at www.energy.gov/fecm/regulation.

A decisional record on the Application will be developed through responses to this Notice by parties, including the parties' written comments and replies thereto. Additional procedures will be used as necessary to achieve a complete understanding of the facts and issues. If an additional procedure is scheduled, notice will be provided to all parties. If no party requests additional procedures, a final Order may be issued based on the official record, including the Application and responses filed by parties pursuant to this Notice, in accordance with 10 CFR 590.316.

Signed in Washington, DC, on December 10, 2025.

Amy Sweeney,

Director, Office of Regulation, Analysis, and Engagement, Office of Resource Sustainability.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 1389-060]

Southern California Edison Company; Notice of Revised Procedural Schedule

This notice revises the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) schedule for processing the relicense application for the Rush Creek Hydroelectric Project No. 1389, which was filed by the Southern California Edison Company on January 22, 2025. On February 5, 2025, Commission staff issued a Notice of Application Tendered for Filing with the Commission, which included an initial procedural schedule.

⁷ Executive Order 14224 of March 1, 2025, *Designating English as the Official Language of the United States*, 90 FR 11363 (Mar. 6, 2025).

By this notice, Commission staff is updating the procedural schedule. The revised schedule is shown below. Further revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate.

Milestone	Target date
Additional Information Request (if necessary).	April 2026.
Notice of Acceptance	June 2026.
Issue Notice of Ready for Environmental Analysis.	June 2026.

Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Quinn Emmering at (202) 502-6382 or Quinn.Emmering@ferc.gov.

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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 5000-078]

Ampersand Kayuta Lake Hydro LLC; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

The EA contains Commission staff's analysis of the potential environmental effects of the proposed surrender and decommissioning of the project, alternatives to the proposed action, and concludes that the proposed surrender would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

The EA may be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number (P-5000) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659.

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.

All comments must be filed by January 9, 2026 by 5 p.m. Eastern Time.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments 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>. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support. In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-5000-078.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502-6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

For further information, contact Diana Shannon at 202-502-6136 or diana.shannon@ferc.gov.

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Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2290-130]

Southern California Edison Company; Notice of Revised Procedural Schedule

This notice revises the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) schedule for processing the relicensing application for the Kern River No. 3 Hydroelectric Project No. 2290, which was filed by the Southern California Edison Company on November 22, 2024. On December 5, 2024, Commission staff issued a Notice of Application Tendered for Filing with the Commission, which included an initial procedural schedule.

By this notice, Commission staff is updating the procedural schedule. The revised schedule is shown below. Further revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate.

Milestone	Target date
Additional Information Request (if necessary)	April 2026.
Notice of Acceptance	June 2026.
Issue Notice of Ready for Environmental Analysis	June 2026.

Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Quinn Emmering at (202) 502-6382 or Quinn.Emmering@ferc.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 15230-002]

Pike Island Hydropower Corporation; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment

On May 14, 2024, Pike Island Hydropower Corporation filed a license application for the proposed 19.999-megawatt Pike Island Hydroelectric Project No. 15230 (project). The proposed project would be located at

the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) Pike Island Locks and Dam on the Ohio River in Belmont County, Ohio and Ohio County, West Virginia. The proposed project would occupy 4.35 acres of federal land administered by the Corps.

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, on September 25, 2025, Commission staff issued a notice that the project was ready for environmental analysis (REA Notice). Based on the information in the record, including comments filed on the REA Notice, staff does not anticipate that licensing the project would constitute a major federal