

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****[Project No. 6276–042]****Brooks Energy, LLC; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment**

On August 5, 2025, Brooks Energy, LLC (exemptee) filed an application to surrender its exemption from licensing for the Lockville Dam Project No. 6276. The project is located on the Deep River at a point where it forms the border between Chatham and Lee counties, North Carolina. The project does not occupy any federal lands.

The exemptee proposes to surrender the project exemption. The generating equipment has not operated since 2020 and the dam was breached in 2023. No modifications to the existing dam, buildings, structures, or ground disturbing activities are proposed. After the surrender of the exemption, the dam will be removed by American Rivers and Resource Environmental Solutions as part of American Rivers' Watershed Restoration of the Upper Cape Fear and Lower Deep Rivers project, with funding and collaborative support from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. A Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Protest was issued on August 5, 2025.

This notice identifies Commission staff's intention to prepare an environmental assessment (EA) analyzing the proposed action. The planned schedule for the completion of the EA is April 14, 2026.¹ Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate. The EA will be issued and made available for review by all interested parties. All comments filed on the EA will be reviewed by staff and considered in the Commission's final decision on the proceeding.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502–6595 or *OPP@ferc.gov*.

Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Rebecca Martin at 202–502–6012 or *Rebecca.martin@ferc.gov*.

(Authority: 18 CFR 2.1)

¹ The unique identification number for documents relating to this environmental review is EAXX–019–20–000–1762338428.

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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****[Project No. 2322–075]****Brookfield White Pine Hydro, LLC; Shawmut Holdco, LLC; Notice of Application of Transfer of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests**

On October 8, 2025, the Brookfield White Pine Hydro, LLC (transferor) filed an application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) to transfer the license for the 8.74-megawatt Shawmut Hydroelectric Project (project) No. 2322. The project is located on Kennebec River in Kennebec and Somerset counties, Maine and does not occupy federal land.

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 801, the applicants seek Commission approval to transfer the license for the project from the Brookfield White Pine Hydro, LLC to the to-be-formed Shawmut Holdco, LLC (transferee). The transferee will be required by the Commission to comply with all the requirements of the license as though it were the original licensee.

Applicants Contacts:

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FERC Contact: Woohee Choi, Phone: (202) 502–6336, Email: *Woohee.Chi@ferc.gov*.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests: January 8, 2026 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, and protests 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 at *FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov*, (866) 208–3676 (toll free), or (202) 502–8659

(TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via 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–2322–075. Comments emailed to Commission staff are not considered part of the Commission record.

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*.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA–HQ–OPP–2021–0749; FRL–12889–01–OCSP]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Renewal Collection and Request for Comment; Foreign Purchaser Acknowledgement Statement of Unregistered Pesticides

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), this document announces the availability of and solicits public comment on the following Information Collection Request (ICR) that EPA is planning to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Foreign Purchaser Acknowledgement Statement of Unregistered Pesticides (EPA ICR No. 0161.17 and OMB Control No. 2070–0027). This ICR represents a renewal of an existing ICR that is currently approved through August 31, 2026. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval under the PRA, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the information collection that is summarized in this document. The ICR and accompanying material are available in the docket for public review and comment.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 13, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OPP-2021-0749, online at <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Additional instructions on commenting or visiting the docket, along with more information about dockets generally, is available at <https://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. What information is EPA particularly interested in?

Pursuant to PRA section 3506(c)(2)(A) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), EPA specifically solicits comments and information to enable it to:

1. Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.

2. Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimates of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. In particular, EPA is requesting comments from very small businesses (those that employ less than 25 people) on examples of specific additional efforts that EPA could make to reduce the paperwork burden for very small businesses affected by this collection.

II. What information collection activity or ICR does this action apply to?

Title: Foreign Purchaser Acknowledgement Statement of Unregistered Pesticides.

EPA ICR No.: 0161.17.

OMB Control No.: 2070-0027.

ICR Status: This ICR is currently approved through August 31, 2026. Under the PRA, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations in title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), after appearing in the **Federal Register** when approved, are displayed either by publication in the **Federal Register** or by other appropriate means, such as on the related collection instrument or form, if applicable. The display of OMB control numbers for certain EPA regulations is consolidated in 40 CFR part 9.

Abstract: This information collection request (ICR) addresses the information collection activities associated with the requirement that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) receive notice when unregistered pesticides are exported from the United States to foreign purchasers. This statement is to ascertain the purchasers' understanding that the pesticide product cannot be sold in the United States. Section 17(a)(2) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) (Ref. 1) requires an exporter of any pesticide not registered under FIFRA Section 3 or sold under FIFRA Section 6(a)(1) to obtain a signed statement from the foreign purchaser acknowledging that the purchaser is aware that the pesticide is not registered for use in, and cannot be sold in, the United States. A copy of this statement, which is known as the Foreign Purchaser

Acknowledgement Statement (FPAS) must be transmitted by EPA to the designated national authority or appropriate official of the government in the importing country. This information is submitted via mail or electronically through the Central Data Exchange (CDX) in the form of annual or per-shipment statements to EPA, which maintains original records and transmits copies, along with an explanatory letter, via email to appropriate government officials of the countries that are importing the pesticide. In addition to the export notification for unregistered pesticides, FIFRA requires that all exported pesticides include appropriate labeling. There are different requirements for registered and unregistered products. For registered products, export labeling requirements alone meet the definition of third-party notification. In the interests of consolidating various related information collection requests, this ICR

includes burden estimates for the FPAS requirement for unregistered pesticides, as well as the labeling requirement for all exported pesticides, both registered and unregistered (86 FR 46246) (Ref. 2). These burdens have been consolidated in this ICR since the implementation of the 1993 pesticide export policy governing the export of pesticides, devices, and active ingredients used in producing pesticides.

The ICR, which is available in the docket along with other related materials, provides a detailed explanation of the collection activities and the burden estimate that is only briefly summarized here:

Form number(s): 9600-026.

Respondents/affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this ICR include individuals or entities engaged that either manufacture and export pesticides or that reformulate or repackage and export pesticides. North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) codes identified in question 12 of the ICR.

Respondent's obligation to respond: Mandatory. FIFRA section 17(a)(2).

Estimated number of potential respondents: 100.

Frequency of response: On occasion.

Total estimated average number of responses for each respondent: 13.

Total estimated burden: 14,064 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.3(b).

Total estimated costs: \$1,028,658 (per year), includes \$0 annualized capital investment or maintenance and operational costs.

III. Are there changes in the estimates from the last approval?

There is decrease of 2,596 hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with that identified in the ICR currently approved by OMB. This decrease reflects EPA's adjustment of the estimated total annual number of responses to reflect the actual number of FPAS received by the Agency in recent years (2022 to 2024). This change is an adjustment.

IV. What is the next step in the process for this ICR?

EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. EPA will issue another **Federal Register** document pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.5(a)(1)(iv) to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB. If you have any questions about this ICR or the approval

process, please contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

Dated: December 10, 2025.

Nancy B. Beck,

Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator,
Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution
Prevention.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2017-0720; FRL-13056-01-0CSPP]

Pesticide Registration Review; Draft Human Health and/or Ecological Risk Assessment for Metrafenone; Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of EPA's draft human health and/or ecological risk assessments for the registration review of metrafenone. EPA is opening a 60-day public comment period for these risk assessments.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 13, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, to the docket identification (ID) number for the specific pesticide of interest provided in Table 1 of Unit I, by one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:*

<https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

- *Mail:* <https://www.epa.gov/dockets/where-send-comments-epa-dockets>. OPP Docket, Environmental Protection Agency Docket Center (EPA/DC),

(28221T), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

For pesticide specific information contact: The Chemical Review Manager identified in Table 1 of Unit I.

For general questions on the registration review program, contact: Melanie Biscoe, Pesticide Re-Evaluation Division (7508P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 566-0701; email address: biscoe.melanie@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Purpose of This Notice

Pursuant to 40 CFR 155.53(c), this notice announces the availability of EPA's human health and/or ecological risk assessments for metrafenone (Table 1) and opens a 60-day public comment period on the risk assessments.

TABLE 1—DRAFT RISK ASSESSMENTS BEING MADE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Registration review case name and No.	Docket ID No.	Chemical review manager and contact information
Metrafenone Case 7052	EPA-HQ-OPP-2020-0032	Caleb Carr, carr.caleb@epa.gov , (202) 566-0636.

II. Background

EPA is conducting its registration review of the chemical listed in Table 1 of Unit I pursuant to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) section 3(g) (7 U.S.C. 136(g)) and the Procedural Regulations for Registration Review at 40 CFR part 155, subpart C. FIFRA section 3(g) provides, among other things, that pesticide registrations are to be reviewed every 15 years. Consistent with 40 CFR 155.57, in its final registration review decision, EPA will ultimately determine whether a pesticide continues to meet the registration standard in FIFRA section 3(c)(5) (7 U.S.C. 136a(c)(5)).

As part of the registration review process, the Agency has completed draft human health and/or ecological risk assessments for metrafenone. Pursuant to 40 CFR 155.53(c), EPA generally provides for at least a 30-day public comment period on draft human health and/or ecological risk assessments during registration review. This comment period is intended to provide an opportunity for public input on the Agency's assessment of the human health and/or ecological risks posed by use of these pesticides.

III. What should I consider as I prepare a comment for EPA?

A. Does this action apply to me?

This notice is directed to the public in general and may be of interest to a wide range of stakeholders including environmental, human health, farm worker, and agricultural advocates; the chemical industry; pesticide users; and members of the public interested in the sale, distribution, or use of pesticides. Since others also may be interested, the Agency has not attempted to describe all the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the Chemical Review Manager identified in Table 1 in Unit I. In submitting a comment to EPA, please consider the following:

1. *Submitting CBI.* Do not submit this information to EPA through regulations.gov or email. Clearly mark the part or all of the information that you claim to be CBI. For CBI information in a disk or CD-ROM that you mail to EPA, mark the outside of the disk or CD-ROM as CBI and then identify electronically within the disk or CD-ROM the specific information that

is claimed as CBI. In addition to one complete version of the comment that includes information claimed as CBI, a copy of the comment that does not contain the information claimed as CBI must be submitted for inclusion in the public docket. Information so marked will not be disclosed except in accordance with procedures set forth in 40 CFR part 2.

2. *Tips for preparing your comments.* When preparing and submitting your comments, see the commenting tips at <https://www.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets>.

3. *Information submission requirements.* Anyone may submit data or information in response to this document. To be considered during a pesticide's registration review, the submitted data or information must meet the following requirements:

- To ensure that EPA will consider data or information submitted, interested persons must submit the data or information during the comment period. However, the Agency may, at its discretion, consider data or information submitted at a later date.

- The data or information submitted must be presented in a legible and useable form. For example, an English translation must accompany any