

Public Law 104-173  
104th Congress

An Act

Aug. 6, 1996  
[H.R. 1051]

To provide for the extension of certain hydroelectric projects located in the State of West Virginia.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF DEADLINE.**

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Notwithstanding the time period specified in section 13 of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 806) that would otherwise apply to Federal Energy Regulatory Commission projects numbered 6901 and 6902, the Commission shall, upon the request of the licensee for those projects, in accordance with the good faith, due diligence, and public interest requirements of that section, the Commission's procedures under that section, and the procedures specified in that section, extend the time period during which the licensee is required to commence construction of those projects so as to terminate on October 3, 1999.

(b) **APPLICABILITY.**—Subsection (a) shall take effect for the projects upon the expiration of the extension, issued by the Commission under section 13 of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 806), of the period required for commencement of construction of the projects.

(c) **REINSTATEMENT OF EXPIRED LICENSE.**—If a license for a project described in subsection (a) has expired prior to the date of enactment of this Act, the Commission shall reinstate the license effective as of the date of its expiration and extend the time required for commencement of construction of the project until October 3, 1999.

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