

out its responsibilities under EPA Act 2005.⁵ The Commission implements its responsibilities through the Code of Federal Regulations, 18 CFR Part 39.

These filing requirements are mandatory.

Action: The Commission is requesting a three-year extension of the current

expiration date without any changes to the reporting requirements.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting burden and cost for this collection are estimated as follows:

FERC-725 ⁶			FTE	Est. annual burden (hrs.)	Est. annual cost (\$)
Annual NERC Costs	3 Year Self Assessment (Due 7/09) ⁷	Contractor	3.33 ⁷	3,266.67 ⁷	350,000 ⁷
	Reliability Reporting Estimate ⁸	Internal	1.5	2,940	210,663
	Estimate	Software	0	0	75,000
Total Annual NERC Costs			4.83	6,206.67	635,663
Annual RE Costs ⁹	Reliability Reporting Estimate ..	Internal	4.5	8,820	519,840
	Estimate	Software	0	0	225,000
Total Annual RE Costs			4.5	8,820	744,840
Total Annual Burden & Cost Estimate			9.33	15,026.67	\$1,380,503

The estimated annual total cost to respondents is \$1,380,503^{7,8,9} (including direct labor, overhead costs to prepare the application, and consultation to obtain specialized advice in responding to and implementing the certification application).

The reporting burden includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide the information including: (1) Reviewing instructions; (2) developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) training personnel to respond to an information collection; (4) searching data sources; (5) preparing and reviewing the information collection; and (6) transmitting or otherwise disclosing the information.

The estimate of cost for respondents is based upon salaries for professional and clerical support, as well as direct and indirect or overhead costs. Direct costs include all costs directly attributable to providing this information, such as administrative costs and the cost for information technology. Indirect or overhead costs are costs incurred by an organization in support of its mission. These costs

apply to activities which benefit the whole organization rather than any one particular function or activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13314-000]

Corral Creek South Hydro, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene and Competing Applications

February 4, 2009.

On November 5, 2008, Corral Creek South Hydro, LLC filed an application, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Corral Creek South Pumped Storage Project to be located in Twin Falls County, Idaho on federal land administered by the Bureau of Land Management. The proposed project would be closed loop and would not be built on an existing body of water.

The proposed project would consist of: (1) An upper earthen dam with a height of 180 feet and a length of 8,400 feet; (2) an upper reservoir with a surface area of 118 acres, a capacity of 9,120 acre-feet, and a maximum pool elevation of 6,620 feet msl; (3) a lower earthen dam with a height of 200 feet and a length of 4,140 feet; (4) a lower reservoir with a surface area of 113

⁸NERC Employee Cost Estimate: NERC Employee Compensation Average is \$140,442 (from 2009 Budget salary average). For 1.5 Employees, the Annualized Salary Expense is \$210,663.

⁹Regional Entity (RE) Employee Cost Estimate: RE Employee Compensation Average of \$115,520 (from 2009 Budget salary average). For 4.5 Employees, the Annualized Salary Expense is \$519,840.

⁵ 42 U.S.C. 16451 *et seq.*

⁶ The burden and cost estimates do not include the cost of applying to become the ERO because that application process and the resulting FERC selection have been completed.

⁷ Per Order 672, the ERO will undergo a performance assessment three years after certification (July 2009) and every five years thereafter. Therefore, the total figures for FTE (10), burden hrs. (9,800), and cost (\$1,050,000)

associated with doing the self-assessment have been divided by 3 to provide average annual figures for this notice.

The methodology for estimating the totals for the 3-year self assessment follows. Staff estimates that the self assessment will take 6 months to complete. In order for NERC to complete the work in half the time, we assume that NERC must hire double the workforce, so 10 contractors are used in the present calculation. The \$1,050,000 was taken directly from NERC's 2009 Business Plan and Budget.

acres, a capacity of 10,880 acre-feet, and a maximum pool elevation of 5,500 feet msl; (5) a 30 foot diameter, 4,710 foot long penstock; (6) a powerhouse containing 10 pump/turbine units with a total installed capacity of 1,100 MW; (7) a 10.6 mile long, 500 kV transmission line and; (8) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an annual production of 3,212 GWh which would be sold to a local utility.

Applicant Contact: Brent L. Smith, P.O. Box 535, Rigby, Idaho, 83442 (208) 745-0834

FERC Contact: Steven Sachs (202) 502-8666

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice.

Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent and competing applications may be filed electronically via the internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original and eight copies should be mailed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

For more information on how to submit these types of filings please go to the Commission's Web site located at <http://www.ferc.gov/filing-comments.asp>. More information about this project can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-13314) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3372.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13316-000]

Mesa De Los Carros Hydro, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene and Competing Applications

February 4, 2009.

On November 5, 2008, Mesa De Los Carros Hydro, LLC filed an application, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Mesa De Los Carros Pumped Storage Project to be located in San Miguel County, New Mexico. The proposed project would be closed loop and would not be built on an existing body of water.

The proposed project would consist of: (1) An upper earthen dam with a height of 88 feet and a length of 11,880 feet; (2) an upper reservoir with a surface area of 276 acres, a capacity of 10,394 acre-feet, and a maximum pool elevation of 6,900 feet msl; (3) a lower earthen dam with a height of 110 feet and a length of 9,662 feet; (4) a lower reservoir with a surface area of 396 acres, a capacity of 11,652 acre-feet, and a maximum pool elevation of 5,560 feet msl; (5) a 29 foot diameter, 9,000 foot long, steel penstock; (6) a powerhouse containing 10 pump/turbine units with a total installed capacity of 1,154 MW; (7) a 19.5 mile long, 500 kV transmission line and; (8) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an annual production of 4,214 GWh which would be sold to a local utility.

Applicant Contact: Brent L. Smith, P.O. Box 535, Rigby, Idaho 83442; (208) 745-0834.

FERC Contact: Steven Sachs (202) 502-8666.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice.

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Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13320-000]

Mississippi L&D #25 Hydro, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene and Competing Applications

February 4, 2009.

On November 3, 2008, Mississippi L&D #25 Hydro, LLC filed an application, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Mississippi River Lock & Dam 25 Project to be located in Lincoln County, Missouri and Calhoun County, Illinois. The proposed project would utilize the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Lock and Dam 25 on the Mississippi River.

The proposed project would consist of: (1) A powerhouse containing 4 turbine/generator units with a total installed capacity of 80.4 MW; (2) a 6.8 mile long, 34.5 kV transmission line and; (3) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an annual production of 403 GWh which would be sold to a local utility.

Applicant Contact: Brent L. Smith, P.O. Box 535, Rigby, Idaho 83442; (208) 745-0834.

FERC Contact: Steven Sachs (202) 502-8666.

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