

AND CONDITIONS”, “PROTEST”, or “MOTION TO INTERVENE”, as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington DC 20426. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

p. *Agency Comments*—Federal, State, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency’s comments must also be sent to the Applicant’s representatives.

q. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission’s Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the “e-Filing” link.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions To Intervene, Protests, and Comments

May 2, 2005.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. *Type of Application*: Preliminary permit.

b. *Project No.*: 12580–000.

c. *Date Filed*: April 1, 2005.

d. *Applicant*: Shenango Dam Hydroelectric Company, LLC.

e. *Name of Project*: Shenango Dam Project.

f. *Location*: On the Shenango River, in Mercer County, Pennsylvania. The dam is administered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps).

g. *Filed Pursuant to*: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact*: Mr. Clifford Phillip, Shenango Dam Hydroelectric Company, LLC, 150 North Miller Road,

Suite 450C, Fairlawn, OH 44333, (330) 869–8451.

i. *FERC Contact*: Robert Bell, (202) 502–6062.

j. *Deadline for Filing Comments, Protests, and Motions to Intervene*: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person in the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. *Description of Project*: The proposed project would use the existing Corps Shenango Dam and would consist of: (1) proposed intake, (2) a proposed powerhouse containing two generating units having a total installed capacity of 2 megawatts, (3) a proposed 400-foot-long, 14.7 kilovolt transmission line, and (6) appurtenant facilities. The project would have an annual generation of 10 gigawatt-hours that would be sold to a local utility.

l. *Locations of Applications*: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission in the Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502–8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission’s Web site 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, call toll-free 1–866–208–3676 or e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. For TTY, call (202) 502–8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h. above.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission’s mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. *Competing Preliminary Permit*—Anyone desiring to file a competing application for preliminary permit for a proposed project must submit the competing application itself, or a notice of intent to file such an application, to the Commission on or before the specified comment date for the particular application (see 18 CFR 4.36). Submission of a timely notice of intent allows an interested person to file the competing preliminary permit application no later than 30 days after the specified comment date for the

particular application. A competing preliminary permit application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30(b) and 4.36.

o. *Competing Development Application*—Any qualified development applicant desiring to file a competing development application must submit to the Commission, on or before a specified comment date for the particular application, either a competing development application or a notice of intent to file such an application. Submission of a timely notice of intent to file a development application allows an interested person to file the competing application no later than 120 days after the specified comment date for the particular application. A competing license application must conform with 18 CFR 4.30(b) and 4.36.

p. *Notice of Intent*—A notice of intent must specify the exact name, business address, and telephone number of the prospective applicant, and must include an unequivocal statement of intent to submit, if such an application may be filed, either a preliminary permit application or a development application (specify which type of application). A notice of intent must be served on the applicant(s) named in this public notice.

q. *Proposed Scope of Studies under Permit*—A preliminary permit, if issued, does not authorize construction. The term of the proposed preliminary permit would be 36 months. The work proposed under the preliminary permit would include economic analysis, preparation of preliminary engineering plans, and a study of environmental impacts. Based on the results of these studies, the Applicant would decide whether to proceed with the preparation of a development application to construct and operate the project.

r. *Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene*—Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission’s Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper; see 18 CFR 385.2001 (a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission’s Web site under “e-

filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing.

s. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE", as applicable, and the Project Number of the particular application to which the filing refers. Any of the above-named documents must be filed by providing the original and the number of copies provided by the Commission's regulations to: The Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. A copy of any motion to intervene must also be served upon each representative of the Applicant specified in the particular application.

t. Agency Comments—Federal, State, and local agencies are invited to file comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

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Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Western Area Power Administration

Washoe Project—Rate Order No. WAPA-119

AGENCY: Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rates.

SUMMARY: The Western Area Power Administration (Western) is proposing a minor rate adjustment for non-firm energy from the Stampede Powerplant (Stampede), of the Washoe Project, located in Sierra County, California. The current rates expire September 30, 2005. The rate will provide sufficient revenue to repay all annual costs, including interest expense, and repay required investment within the allowable period. The rate impact is detailed in a rate brochure to be provided to all interested parties. The proposed new rate is scheduled to go into effect October 1, 2005, and will remain in effect through September 30, 2010. Publication of this **Federal Register** notice begins the formal process for the proposed rates.

DATES: The consultation and comment period begins today and will end June 6, 2005. Western will accept written comments any time during the consultation and comment period.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to Ms. Debbie R. Dietz, Rates Manager, Sierra Nevada Customer Service Region, Western Area Power Administration, 114 Parkshore Drive, Folsom, CA 95630-4710, e-mail ddietz@wapa.gov. Western will post information about the rate process on its Web site at <http://www.wapa.gov/sn/customers/rates/#currentrates/>. Western will post official comments received via letter and e-mail to its Web site after the close of the comment period. Western must receive the written comments by the end of the consultation and comment period to ensure they are considered in Western's decision process.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Debbie R. Dietz, Rates Manager, Sierra Nevada Customer Service Region, Western Area Power Administration, 114 Parkshore Drive, Folsom, CA 95630-4710, (916) 353-4453, e-mail ddietz@wapa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Current rates for the sale of non-firm energy from Stampede consist of floor and ceiling rates and are designed to recover an annual revenue requirement. The proposed floor rate for non-firm energy from Stampede is 17.89 mills/kilowatthour (mills/kWh) and on average for the 5-year rate period provides sufficient revenue to pay for 96 percent of annual expenses, excluding interest expense. The current ceiling rate was set by a power repayment study and provides sufficient revenues to repay all annual costs, including interest expense, and the investment within the allowable period.

The Central Valley Project (CVP) Power Marketing Plan states that the output from the Washoe Project remaining after meeting project use loads will be marketed to CVP preference customers. Beginning January 1, 2005, the costs remaining after meeting project use requirements are included in the CVP power revenue requirement (PRR) on an annual basis. This situation makes it unnecessary to establish a new proposed ceiling rate for Stampede. Western's Contract No. 94-SAO-00010 with the Sierra Pacific Resources (Sierra) sets the floor rate. Based on estimated expenses and projected revenues generated from the floor rate, Western anticipates including an annual average cost of \$401,000 in the CVP PRR for the 5-year rate case period (fiscal year 2006-2010).

To serve project use loads and market the energy from Stampede, Western's contract with Sierra provides for the Stampede Energy Exchange Account (SEEA). SEEA is an annual energy exchange account for Stampede energy. Under this contract, Sierra accepts delivery of all energy generated from Stampede into Sierra's electrical system. The dollar value of the Stampede energy received by Sierra during any month is credited into the SEEA at the floor rate. Western can use the SEEA to benefit project use facilities and market energy from Stampede to preference entities. The formula for the proposed floor rate, per the contract with Sierra, is equal to 85 percent of the then effective, non-time differentiated rate provided in Sierra's California Quarterly Short-Term Purchase Price Schedule for as-available purchases from qualifying facilities with capacities of 100 kilowatts (kW) or less. This proposed floor rate is used to calculate the value of the SEEA and determines the benefit of Stampede power for project use loads. Western applies the ratio of projected project use costs to the projected revenue recorded in the SEEA to determine a non-reimbursable percentage. This non-reimbursable percentage is then applied to the appropriate power-related costs to determine the reimbursable costs. The reimbursable costs are reduced by revenues from sales made at the floor rate. Under the 2004 CVP Power Marketing Plan, the remaining reimbursable costs and the estimated energy remaining after meeting project use service are then transferred to the CVP PRR.

The propose rate formula for Stampede power is:

Stampede Annual Transferred PRR =
Stampede Annual PRR – Stampede Revenue

Where:

Stampede Annual Transferred PRR =
Stampede annual costs (Power Revenue Requirement) and associated energy transferred to the CVP.

Stampede Annual PRR = The total power revenue requirement for Stampede required to repay all annual costs, including interest and the investment within the allowable period.

Stampede Revenue = Revenue generated from the floor rate and project generation.

Western will review the total PRR for Stampede annually in or around April of each year. According to Contract No. 94-SAO-00010 that governs SEEA administration, in April of each year, Western is notified of the balance of the