sections 207 and 309 requiring the operation of the Potomac River Generating Station power plant owned and operated by Mirant Corporation and its public utility subsidiaries.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at http://www.ferc.gov. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov">http://www.ferc.gov</a>, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail <a href="ferc.gov">FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov</a>, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Comment Date: No later than 5 p.m. eastern time on August 29, 2005.

#### Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2232-478]

#### Duke Power Company; Notice of Availability of Environmental Assessment

August 24, 2005.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations (18 CFR part 380), Commission staff have prepared an environmental assessment (EA) that analyzes the environmental impacts of allowing Duke Power Company, licensee for the Catawba-Wateree Hydroelectric Project, to grant an easement to the Town of Mooresville, North Carolina, for project property within the Cowans Ford Development. also known as Lake Norman. The new easement will allow the Town of Mooresville to install a new raw water pump station, intake screens, and intake pipes and to have a maximum allowable water withdrawal of 12.0 million gallons per day. The EA contains staff's analysis of the potential environmental impacts of the proposal and concludes that approval of the Proposed Action would not constitute a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the EA is attached to a Commission order titled "Order Approving Non-Project Use of Project Lands and Waters," which was issued August 23, 2005, and is available for review and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426. The EA may also be viewed on the Commission(s Web site at http://www.ferc.gov using the "elibrary" link. Enter the docket number (prefaced by P-) and excluding the last three digits, in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at

FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at (866) 208–3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502–8659.

#### Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2984-042]

#### S.D. Warren Company; Notice Extending Time To File Comments on Environmental Assessment

August 25, 2005.

On July 11, 2005, Commission staff issued a draft environmental assessment (EA) for the Eel Weir Project. On August 18, 2005, Commission staff held a public meeting on the draft EA in Portland, Maine. During that meeting, a number of participants indicated that they had not previously received their service copy of the draft EA and requested additional time to file comments. Additionally, on August 24, 2005, S.D. Warren filed a request to extend the deadline for filing comments on the draft EA by 30 days from the date of the public meeting.

In order to ensure that the record in the relicensing proceeding is complete and that all participants have an adequate opportunity to comment on the draft EA, an extension of time to file comments on the draft EA is hereby granted until September 9, 2005.

#### Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

## Notice of Application for Amendment of License and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

August 23, 2005.

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

- a. Application Type: Amendment of License.
  - b. Project No.: 9282-028.
  - c. Date Filed: April 4, 2005.
  - d. Applicants: Pine Valley Hydro.
- e. *Name of Project:* Pine Valley Dam Project.
- f. *Location:* The project is located on the Souhegan River, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791a–825r.
- h. Applicant Contact: Milford Elm Street Trust, Pine Valley Hydro, c/o Heidi Heller-Blackmer, P.O. Box 517, Wilton, NH 03086, (603) 654–2433.

- i. FERC Contact: Any questions on this notice should be addressed to Mrs. Anumzziatta Purchiaroni at (202) 502–6191, or e-mail address: anumzziatta.purchiaroni@ferc.gov.
- j. Deadline for filing comments and or motions: September 23, 2005.
- k. Description of Request: The licensee filed an amendment application to revise the existing 585kW installed capacity of its project. The licensee proposes to remove from its license the 60-kW minimum flow turbine unit located at the dam. The unit has been idle for several years, and the costs associated with bringing it back on-line are not economically feasible. The licensee proposes to release the required minimum flow through a silt gate, spillage, and through an existing downstream fish passage facility. The minimum flow turbine has been already removed from the project.
- 1. Locations of the Application: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502–8371. Information about 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. 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, call 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. 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.

o. 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. 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 <a href="http://www.ferc.gov">http://www.ferc.gov</a> under the "e-Filing" link.

#### Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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

August 23, 2005.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric applications have been filed with the Commission and are available for public inspection:

a. *Type of Applications:* Preliminary Permit (Competing).

b. Applicants, Project Numbers, and Dates Filed: Western Hydro, LLC, filed the application for Project No. 12592–000 on May 19, 2005, at 8:32 a.m. and an amended application on July 18, 2005, at 3:21 p.m.

Bear Creek Hydro Associates, LLC, filed the application for Project No. 12593–000 on May 24, 2005, at 11:34 a.m.

- c. Name of Project: Cascade
  Hydroelectric Project—P-12592; Bear
  Creek Hydroelectric Project—P-12593.
  The project will be located on Bear
  Creek, near the town of Concrete, in
  Skagit County, Washington. The
  existing dam is owned by Glacier
  Northwest, Inc.
- d. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791a–825r.
- e. Applicant Contacts: For Western Hydro, LLC: Mr. Edward F. Donohoe, Western Hydro, LLC, 212 Reed Circle, Mill Valley, CA 94941, (415) 380–0625. For Bear Creek Hydro Associates, LLC: Mr. Jace B. McMaster, Bear Creek Associates, LLC, 19536 Wallingford Avenue, N., Shoreline, WA 98133, (206) 769–7289.
- f. *FERC Contact:* Etta Foster, (202) 502–8769.
- g. 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 interveners 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 intervener 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.

h. Description of Projects: The project proposed by Western Hydro, LLC would consist of: (1) The existing 24-foot-high, 235-foot-long, concrete Bear Creek Dam; (2) a 1.7 acre reservoir with negligible storage; (3) a 48-inch, 2,800-foot-long, steel penstock; (4) an existing powerhouse containing two generating units with a capacity of 3.5 megawatts; (5) a 2-mile-long, 34.5 kV transmission line; and (6) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would operate in a run-of-river mode and have an average annual generation of 16 million kWh. Generated power would be sold to regional investor owned utilities.

The project proposed by Bear Creek Associates, LLC would consist of reconstructing the abandoned Upper and Lower Bear Creek hydro facilities. The Upper Bear Creek Project site will be evaluated, however, the Lower Bear Creek Project site will be the main focus of the studies during the permit period. The Lower Bear Creek would consist of: (1) The existing 24-foot-high, 235-footlong, concrete Bear Creek Dam; (2) a 1.7 acre reservoir with negligible storage; (3) a new 36-inch, 2,800-foot-long, steel penstock; (4) a renovated concrete powerhouse containing generating units with an installed capacity of 1800 kW;