

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.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13-021]

Green Island Power Authority; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, Commencement of Licensing Proceeding, Scoping Meetings, Solicitation of Comments on the Pad and Scoping Document, and Identification of Issues and Associated Study Requests

April 28, 2006.

a. *Type of Filing:* Notice of Intent to File License Application for a New License and Commencing Licensing Proceeding.

b. *Project No.:* 13-021.

c. *Dated Filed:* March 1, 2006.

d. *Submitted By:* Green Island Power Authority.

e. *Name of Project:* Green Island Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Hudson River, in Albany County, New York. The project occupies federal land administered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR part 5 of the Commission's Regulations.

h. *Applicant Contact:* Ms. Veronica Weigand, Albany Engineering Corporation, 447 New Karner Road, Albany, NY 12205, (518) 456-7712, veronica@albanyengineering.com.

i. *FERC Contact:* Tom Dean, (202) 502-6041, or via e-mail at thomas.dean@ferc.gov.

j. We are asking Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to

environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the environmental document. Agencies who would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing comments described in paragraph o below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document cannot also intervene. *See*, 94 FERC ¶ 61,076 (2001).

k. *With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with:* (a) The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and/or NOAA Fisheries under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR, part 402; and (b) the State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by section 106, National Historical Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.

l. With this notice, we are designating Green Island Power Authority as the Commission's non-federal representative for carrying out informal consultation, pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and section 106 of the National Historical Preservation Act.

m. Green Island Power Authority filed a Pre-Application Document (PAD) pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations. The Commission issued Scoping Document 1 (SD1) on April 26, 2006.

n. A copy of the PAD and SD1 are available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site (<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, contact FERC Online Support at FERCONlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. Copies are also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in paragraph h.

Register online at <http://ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm> to be notified via e-mail of new filing and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

o. With this notice, we are soliciting comments on the PAD and SD1, as well as study requests. All comments on the PAD and SD1, and study requests should be sent to the address above in paragraph h. In addition, all comments on the PAD and SD1, study requests, requests for cooperating agency status, and all communications to and from

Commission staff related to the merits of the potential application (original and eight copies) must be filed with the Commission at the following address: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. All filings with the Commission must include on the first page, the project name (Green Island Project) and number (P-13-021), and bear the heading "Comments on Pre-Application Document," "Study Requests," "Comments on Scoping Document 1," "Request for Cooperating Agency Status," or "Communications to and from Commission Staff." Any individual or entity interested in submitting study requests, commenting on the PAD or SD1, and any agency requesting cooperating status must do so by June 29, 2006.

Comments on the PAD and SD1, study requests, requests for cooperating agency status, and other permissible forms of communications with the Commission may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "efiling" link.

p. Although our current intent is to prepare an environmental assessment (EA), there is the possibility that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be required. Nevertheless, this meeting will satisfy the NEPA scoping requirements, irrespective of whether an EA or EIS is issued by the Commission.

Scoping Meetings

Commission staff will hold two scoping meetings in the vicinity of the project at the times and places noted below. The daytime meeting will focus on resource agency, Indian tribes, and non-governmental organization concerns, while the evening meeting is primarily for receiving input from the public. We invite all interested individuals, organizations, and agencies to attend these meetings, and to assist staff in identifying particular study needs, as well as the scope of environmental issues to be addressed in the environmental document. The times and locations of these meetings are as follows:

Evening Scoping Meeting

Date and Time: Wednesday, May 24, 2006, 7 p.m.

Location: Green Island Municipal Center, 9 George Street, Green Island, NY 12183. (518) 273-2201.

Daytime Scoping Meeting

Date and Time: Thursday, May 25, 2006, 9 a.m.

Location: Green Island Municipal Center, 9 George Street, Green Island, NY 12183. (518) 273-2201.

For Directions: please call Ms. Veronica Weigand at (518) 456-7712, or via e-mail at veronica@albanyengineering.com.

SD1, which outlines the subject areas to be addressed in the environmental document, was mailed to the individuals and entities on the Commission's mailing list. Copies of SD1 will be available at the scoping meetings, or may be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link. Follow the directions for accessing information in paragraph n. Depending on the extent of comments received, Scoping Document 2 may or may not be issued.

Site Visit

Green Island will conduct a site visit of the project on Wednesday, May 24, 2006, starting at 2 p.m. All participants should meet at the Green Island Project powerhouse located at the corner of Tibbits Avenue and George Street on the west side of the Hudson River. All participants are responsible for their own transportation. Anyone with questions about the site visit should contact Ms. Veronica Weigand of Albany Engineering Corporation at (518) 456-7712, or via e-mail at veronica@albanyengineering.com on or before May 19, 2006.

Scoping Meeting Objectives

At the scoping meetings, staff will: (1) Present a proposed list of issues to be addressed in the EA; (2) review and discuss existing conditions and resource agency management objectives; (3) review and discuss existing information and identify preliminary information and study needs; (4) review and discuss the process plan and schedule for pre-filing activity that incorporates the time frames provided for in Part 5 of the Commission's regulations and, to the extent possible, maximizes coordination of federal, state, and tribal permitting and certification processes; and (5) discuss requests by any federal or state agency or Indian tribe acting as a cooperating agency for development of an environmental document.

Meeting participants should come prepared to discuss their issues and/or concerns. Please review the PAD in preparation for the scoping meetings. Directions on how to obtain a copy of the PAD and SD1 are included in item n of this document.

Scoping Meeting Procedures

The meetings will be recorded by a stenographer and will become part of the formal Commission record on the project.

Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-TVPSD-001; FRL-8167-3]

Notice of Approval of Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) Permits for Newmont Nevada Energy Investment, LLC (Nevada Department of Environmental Protection No. AP4911-1349), Hawaii Electric Light Company (Hawaii CSP No.0007-01-C), and Title V Operating Permit for Peabody Western Coal Co. (EPA Region 9 No. NN-OP 99-07)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 9.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the following permits have been issued:

The Nevada Department of Environmental Protection, acting under authority of a PSD delegation agreement, granted approval to Newmont Nevada Energy Investment, LLC to construct the TS Power Plant, a 200 megawatt pulverized coal-fired boiler plant to be located near Dunphy, NV. The permit became effective on June 4, 2005.

The Hawaii Department of Health, acting under authority of a PSD delegation agreement, granted approval to Hawaii Electric Light Company to construct two 20 MW combustion turbine generators (Keahole Units 4 & 5) at Keahole Generating Station, Keahole, Hawaii. The permit became effective on June 5, 2001.

EPA Region 9, acting under the title V operating permit regulations in 40 CFR part 71, granted approval to Peabody Western Coal Company to operate two contiguous coal mines (Kayenta and Black Mesa) in northeastern Arizona on the reservations of the Navajo Nation and the Hopi Tribe. The permit became effective on July 1, 2004, except for the opacity monitoring conditions, which became effective on March 28, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the permits are available for public inspection and can be obtained by contacting: Roger Kohn (AIR-3), U.S.

Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105. (415) 972-3973. e-mail: kohn.roger@epa.gov.

DATES: The PSD and Part 71 permits are reviewable under Section 307(b)(1) of the Clean Air Act only in the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. A petition for review must be filed by July 5, 2006.

Dated: April 26, 2006.

Deborah Jordan,

Director, Air Division, Region 9.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER-FRL-6674-9]

Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under section 309 of the Clean Air Act and section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at 202-564-7167.

An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 7, 2006 (71 FR 17845).

Draft EISs

EIS No. 20060002, ERP No. D-BLM-L65500-ID, Coeur d'Alene Resource Management Plan, Implementation, Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, Kootenai and Shoshone Counties, ID.

SUMMARY: EPA supports the goals described in preferred alternative which strives to balance resource protection with active management of commodity resources. However, EPA expressed environmental concerns about water quality impacts, and requested more information about how source water could be protected and recommended including additional discussion on protecting air quality related to prescribed burning.

Rating EC2.

EIS No. 20060053, ERP No. D-AFS-K65299-CA, Slapjack Project, Protect Rural Communities from Fire Hazards by Constructing Defensible Fuel Profile Zones (DFPZS), Feather River Ranger District, Plumas National Forest, Butte and Yuba Counties, CA.

SUMMARY: EPA expressed environmental concern about the potential for cumulative watershed effects, impacts from the use of