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Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project Nos. 12958-001; 12962-001]

Symbiotics, LLC; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, Commencement of Licensing Proceeding, and Scoping; Request for Comments on the Pad and Scoping Document, and Identification of Issues and Associated Study Requests

January 5, 2009.

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

b. *Project Nos.:* 12958-001 and 12962-001.

c. *Dated Filed:* October 31, 2008.

d. *Submitted By:* Symbiotics, LLC.

e. *Name of Project:* Uniontown Hydroelectric Project and Newburgh Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* Both projects would be located on the Ohio River at existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers locks and dams. The Uniontown Project would be located at the John T. Myers Locks and Dam, in Union County, Kentucky and Posey County, Indiana. The Newburgh Project would be located at the Newburgh Locks and Dam, in Henderson County, Kentucky and Warrick County, Indiana.

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

h. *Potential Applicant Contact:* Brent L. Smith, COO, P.O. Box 535, Rigby, Idaho 83442.

i. *FERC Contact:* Jennifer Adams at (202) 502-8087 or e-mail at jennifer.adams@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. Symbiotics, LLC filed a Pre-Application Document (PAD; including a proposed process plan and schedule) with the Commission, pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.

m. A copy of the PAD is 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. A copy is 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.

n. With this notice, we are soliciting comments on the PAD and Scoping Document 1 (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: Kimberly D. Bose, 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(s) (Uniontown Hydroelectric Project and/or Newburgh Hydroelectric Project) and number(s) (No. 12958-001 and/or No. 12962-001), 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 March 2, 2009.

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 "e-filing" 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 time and place 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 one or both of the 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:

Daytime Scoping Meeting

Date: Friday, January 30, 2009.

Time: 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. (CST).

Location: Browning Events Room, Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library, 200 South East Martin Luther King Boulevard, Evansville, Indiana 47713.

Evening Scoping Meeting

Date: Thursday, January 29, 2009.

Time: 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. (CST).

Location: Browning Events Room, Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library, 200 South East Martin Luther King Boulevard, Evansville, Indiana 47713.

Scoping Document 1 (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. Based on all oral and written comments, a Scoping Document 2 (SD2) may be issued. SD2 may include a revised process plan and schedule, as well as a list of issues, identified through the scoping process.

Meeting Objectives

At the scoping meetings, staff will: (1) Initiate scoping of the issues; (2) review and discuss existing conditions and resource 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 the appropriateness of 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 m of this document.

Meeting Procedures

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

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER09-431-000]

The United Illuminating Company; Notice of Filing

January 5, 2009.

Take notice that on December 19, 2008, The United Illuminating Company (United Illuminating), pursuant to section 205 of the Federal Power Act, filed an Interconnection Agreement, with Wheelabrator Bridgeport, L.P., Service Agreement No. 24 under United Illuminating's FERC Electric Tariff Second Revised Volume 4.

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. 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 online at <http://www.ferc.gov>, 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 FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP09-39-000]

Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

January 5, 2009.

Take notice that on December 18, 2008, Williston Basin Pipeline Company (Williston Basin), 1250 West Century Avenue, Bismarck, North Dakota 58503, filed a prior notice request pursuant to Parts 157.205 and 157.210 of the Commission's regulations under the

Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Williston Basin's blanket certificate issued in Docket Nos. CP82-487-000, *et al.*, for authorization for the construction and operation of mainline gas compression facilities and appurtenances in Carter County, Montana and Golden Valley County and Dunn County, North Dakota, all as more fully set forth in the application, which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing may also be viewed on the Web 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, contact FERC at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (866) 208-3676 or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

Specifically, Williston Basin states that the proposed project will include an increase of compressor horsepower by adding one unit at Williston Basin's existing Manning Compressor Station in Dunn County, North Dakota; a new two-unit compressor station (Golva Compressor Station) in Golden Valley County, North Dakota; and a new two-unit compressor station (Willow Creek Compressor Station) in Carter County, Montana. Williston Basin proposes to install a new 4,735 horsepower (HP) compressor at the Manning Compressor Station, making the total design flow rate through the station 213,000 thousand cubic feet per day (Mcf/d). Williston Basin states that the proposed Golva Compressor Station will consist of two identical 3,550 HP compressors. Williston Basin asserts that that total design flow rate for the Golva Compressor Station will be 214,448 Mcf/d. Williston Basin states that the proposed Willow Creek Compressor Station will consist of two identical 3,500 HP compressors. Williston Basin asserts that the total design flow rate for the Willow Creek Compressor Station will be 139,100 Mcf/d. Williston Basin states that it has entered into binding Precedent Agreements which provide that Williston Basin will deliver a Maximum Daily Delivery Quantity (MDQ) of 75,000 Mcf/d firm transportation service during the proposed project's first in-service year. Williston Basin asserts that it projects an in-service date for the subject facilities of August 1, 2009. Williston Basin states that the estimated cost to construct the proposed facilities is approximately \$28.3 million.

Any questions regarding the application should be directed to Keith A. Tiggelaar, Director of Regulatory Affairs, Williston Basin Interstate Pipeline Company, 1250 West Century