requested be issued on or before May 1, 2010.

Questions concerning this application may be directed to Lisa A. Moore, General Manager, Rates and Certificates, Gulfstream Natural Gas System, LLC at 5400 Westheimer Court, P.O. Box 1642, Houston, TX 77251–1642, or by calling (713) 627–4102, or by e-mailing lamoore@spectraenergy.com.

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: Complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

There are two ways to become involved in the Commission's review of this project. First, any person wishing to obtain legal status by becoming a party to the proceedings for this project should, on or before the comment date stated below, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.10). A person obtaining party status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by all other parties. A party must submit 14 copies of filings made with the Commission and must mail a copy to the applicant and to every other party in the proceeding. Only parties to the proceeding can ask for court review of Commission orders in the proceeding.

However, a person does not have to intervene in order to have comments considered. The second way to participate is by filing with the Secretary of the Commission, as soon as possible, an original and two copies of comments in support of or in opposition to this project. The Commission will

consider these comments in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but the filing of a comment alone will not serve to make the filer a party to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that persons filing comments in opposition to the project provide copies of their protests only to the party or parties directly involved in the protest.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, 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 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.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on November 10, 2009.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12693-002]

Sutton Hydroelectric Company LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

October 20, 2009.

On October 1, 2009, the Sutton Hydroelectric Company LLC filed an application, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of the Sutton Project, to be located at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Sutton Dam, on the Elk River, in Sutton, Braxton County, West Virginia.

The proposed project would utilize the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Sutton Dam and would consist of: (1) A proposed powerhouse containing 3 generating units with a total generating capacity of 9.2 MW; (2) a 10-foot-diameter penstock; (3) a proposed 1,600-foot-long, 138-kV transmission line; (4) a tailrace; and (5) appurtenant facilities. The project would have an estimated average annual generation of 38.1 gigawatts-hours.

Applicant Contact: Mr. Jeffrey M. Auser, Brookfield Renewable Power, 200 Donald Lynch Boulevard, Suite 300, Marlborough, MA 01752, phone (508) 251–7716.

FERC Contact: Michael Spencer, (202) 502–6093.

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 paperfiled. 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–12693) 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. 13531-000]

Hydrodynamics, Inc.; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

October 21, 2009.

On July 7, 2009, Hydrodynamics, Inc. filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the

Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of the East Rosebud Hydro Project, which would be located on East Rosebud Creek, in Carbon County, Montana. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed project would consist of the following: (1) A new 8-foot-high, 100-foot-long concrete diversion dam; (2) a new 7-foot-wide, 30-foot-long intake extending from the right side of the dam; (3) a new 42-inch-diameter, 2.2-mile-long steel penstock; (4) a new powerhouse containing one generating unit with an installed capacity of 6 megawatts; (5) a new tailrace discharging flows into East Rosebud Creek; (6) a new substation; (7) a new 50-kilovolt, 3.6-mile-long transmission line; and (8) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of 40 gigawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Ben Singer, Project Manager, Hydrodynamics, Inc., P.O. Box 1136, Bozeman, MT 59771; phone: (406) 587–5086.

FERC Contact: Dianne Rodman, (202) 502–6077.

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 (http:// www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ferconline.asp) under the "eFiling" link. For a simpler method of submitting text only comments, click on "Quick Comment." For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov; call toll-free at (866) 208–3676; or, for TTY,

fere at (866) 208–3676; or, for TTY, contact (202) 502–8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and eight copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's Web site at: http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number

(P-13531) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Panel Member List for Hydropower Licensing Study Dispute Resolution; Notice Requesting Applications for Panel Member List for Hydropower Licensing Study Dispute Resolution

October 20, 2009.

This notice requests applications from those interested in being listed as potential panel members to assist in the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) study dispute resolution process for the integrated licensing process of hydropower projects.

Background

The Commission's integrated licensing process (ILP) regulations pertaining to hydroelectric licensing under the Federal Power Act encourages informal resolution of study disagreements. In cases where this is not successful, a formal study dispute resolution process is available for state and federal agencies or Indian tribes with mandatory conditioning authority.¹

The ILP provides that the disputed study must be submitted to a dispute resolution panel consisting of a person from Commission staff, a person from the agency or Indian tribe referring the dispute to the Commission, and a third person selected by the other two panelists from a pre-established list of persons with expertise in the disputed resource area.² The third panel member (TPM) will serve without compensation, except for certain allowable travel expenses to be borne by the Commission (31 CFR 301).

The role of the panel members is to make a finding, with respect to each disputed study request, on the extent to which each study criteria set forth in the regulations is or is not met,³ and why. The panel will then make a

recommendation to the Director of the Office of Energy Projects based on the panel's findings.

TPMs can only be selected from a list of qualified persons (TPM List) that is developed and maintained by the Commission. This notice seeks additional members for the TPM list, which was originally compiled in 2004. Current members of the TPM list do not need to reapply. Each qualified panel member will be listed by area(s) and sub-area(s) of technical expertise, for example Fisheries Resources—instream flow. The TPM list will be available to the public on the Commission's Web site. All individuals submitting their applications to the Commission for consideration must meet the Commission's qualifications.

Application Contents

The applicant should describe in detail his/her qualifications in items 1–4 listed below.

1. Technical expertise, including education and experience in each resource area and sub-area for which the applicant wishes to be considered:

- Aquatic Resources
 - water quality
 - o instream flows
 - fish passage
 - species specialists
 - 1. bull trout
 - 2. pacific salmon
 - 3. Atlantic salmon and cluepeids
 - 4. bass
 - 5. lamprey
 - 6. sturgeon
 - macroinvertebrates
 - threatened and endangered species
 - o general
- Terrestrial Resources
- wildlife biology
- o botany
- wetlands ecology
- threatened and endangered speciesgeneral
- Cultural Resources
- architectural history
- archeology
- Indian tribes
- Recreational Resources
- whitewater boating
- o instream flows
- general
- Land use
 - o shoreline management
 - o general
- Aesthetics
 - noise
 - dark sky/nighttime artificial lighting
 - aesthetic instream flows
 - general
- Geology
 - geomorphology
 - o erosion

¹ See § 5.14 of the final rule, which may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_06/18cfr5_06.html.

 $^{^{2}\,\}mathrm{These}$ persons must not be otherwise involved with the proceeding.

³ See § 5.9 of the final rule.