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.

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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, 385.211, 385.214. 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.

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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.

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

August 28, 2006.

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.: 12701-000.

c. Date filed: June 28, 2006.

d. *Applicant:* Benton Hydroelectric Power LLC.

e. *Name of Project:* Benton Hydroelectric Project.

f. Location: The project would be located on the Elkhart River in Elkhart County, Indiana. The project would use the Benton Dam owned by the Elkhart County Parks and Recreation.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. William Stockhausen, 218 W. Dunlap Street, Northville, MI 48167 (248) 349–2833.

i. FERC Contact: Patricia W. Gillis at (202) 502–8735.

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 consist of the following: (1) The existing 130-footwide, 5-foot-high Benton Dam owned by the Elkhart County Department of Parks and Recreation, (2) an existing concrete and rock fill spillway with mean crest elevation of 822 feet mean sea level, (3) a proposed reconstructed powerhouse containing one proposed generating unit with an installed capacity of 325 kilowatts, (4) an existing 700 feet long and 50 feet wide tailrace, (5) an existing one-mile-long, 12.5 kilovolt transmission line, and (6) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of 1.7 gigawatt-hours, which 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.

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Magalie R. Salas,

Secretary.

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EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. ACTION: Notice of information collection—new: EEOC National Contact Center Customer Service Survey.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35), the Commission announces its intent to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to approve a new information collection as described below.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be submitted on or before November 6, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be submitted to Stephen Llewellyn, Executive Officer, Executive Secretariat, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, 10th Floor, 1801 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20507. As a convenience to commentators, the Executive Secretariat will accept comments transmitted by facsimile (fax) machine. The telephone number of the fax receiver is (202) 663–4114. (This is not a toll-free number.) Only comments of six or fewer pages will be accepted via fax transmittal. This limitation is

necessary to assure access to the equipment. Receipt of fax transmittals will not be acknowledged, except that the sender may request confirmation of receipt by calling the Executive Secretariat staff at (202) 663–4070 (voice) or (202) 663–4074 (TTY). (These are not toll-free telephone numbers.) Copies of comments submitted by the public will be available to review at the Commission's library, Room 6502, 1801 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20507 between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cynthia Pierre, Director, Field Management Programs, Office of Field Programs, 1801 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20507, (202) 663–7115 (voice). This notice is available in the following formats: large print, braille, audio tape and electronic file on computer disk. Requests for this notice in an alternative format should be made to the Publications Center at 1–800–699–3362.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Equal **Employment Opportunity Commission** (EEOC) enforces Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Equal Pay Act, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, the Rehabilitation Act, Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the Pregnancy Employment Discrimination Act. Pursuant to its authority under those statutes, EEOC created a National Contact Center to provide the public with 24-hour access to EEOC and information about equal employment rights and responsibilities. The EEOC National Contact Center provides the public with a centralized point of access for reaching the EEOC and offers several choices for communicating with the EEOC, such as phone, TTY, e-mail, facsimile, and standard mail. In an effort to ensure continued quality service, EEOC proposes this customer satisfaction survey in order to request each person who uses the National Contact Center to respond to three questions about the service they received. This constitutes a collection of information under the Paperwork Reduction Act.

Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, and OMB regulation 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), the Commission solicits public comment on its proposed survey to enable it to:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the