

agency received the request; or (3) evidence of waiver of water quality certification.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No.: 2210-169]

#### Appalachian Power Company; Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission and Establishing Procedural Schedule for Licensing and Deadline for Submission of Final Amendments

April 9, 2008.

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

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 2210-169.

c. *Date Filed:* March 27, 2008.

d. *Applicant:* Appalachian Power Company, dba American Electric Power.

e. *Name of Project:* Smith Mountain Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the headwaters of the Roanoke River in south-central Virginia, within the counties of Bedford, Campbell, Franklin and Pittsylvania, and near the city of Roanoke, Virginia. No federal lands are occupied by the project works or otherwise located within the project boundary.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Teresa P. Rogers, Environmental and Regulatory Affairs Supervisor, Appalachian Power Company, Hydro Generation, P.O. Box 2021, Roanoke, VA 24022-2121; (540) 985-2441; [tprogers@aep.com](mailto:tprogers@aep.com).

i. *FERC Contact:* Allan Creamer, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426; (202) 502-8365; [allan.creamer@ferc.gov](mailto:allan.creamer@ferc.gov).

j. This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

k. *The Project Description:* The existing Smith Mountain Project consists of two developments; one used for pumped storage operation and the other conventional operation.

The upper, pumped storage development, known as Smith Mountain, consists of: (1) A 816-foot-long, 235-foot-high concrete arch dam, with a crest elevation of 812.0 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum (NGVD); (2) two ogee-crest overflow spillways, each 100 feet long and having a crest elevation of 595.0 feet NGVD [passing 25,000 cubic feet per second (cfs)]; (3) a reservoir with a surface area of 20,260 acres at a normal operating level of 795.0 feet NGVD; (4) a pump station/powerhouse containing five generating units, with a total capacity of 586 megawatts (MW), a total hydraulic capacity of 46,000 cfs, and an average annual generation of 476,640 MWh (three of the units, which have a pumping capacity of 15,810 cfs, are reversible for pumping water from the Leesville's reservoir to Smith Mountain's reservoir); (5) a 600,000 KVA substation and a double-circuit 138-kV tie-in line to American Electric Power's (AEP) interconnected system; and (6) appurtenant facilities.

The lower, conventional development, known as Leesville, consists of: (1) A 980-foot-long, 94 foot-high concrete gravity dam, with a crest elevation of 615.67 feet NGVD; (2) a 224-foot-long gated spillway section, with (a) A crest elevation of 578.0 feet NGVD, (b) four taintor gates, and (c) a hydraulic capacity of 175,100 cfs; (3) a reservoir with a surface area of 3,260 acres at an elevation of 613.0 feet NGVD; (4) a powerhouse containing two generating units, with a total capacity of 50 MW, a total hydraulic capacity of 9,000 cfs, and an average annual generation of 59,376 MWh; (5) a 50,000 KVA substation and a double-circuit 138-kV tie-in line to AEP's interconnected system; and (6) appurtenant facilities.

The Smith Mountain development operates as a peaking/load-following facility, with generation occurring during peak demand periods and pump-back operation occurring during off-peak periods. Under normal operations, Smith Mountain Lake uses a 2-foot drawdown, which equates to a 13-foot fluctuation in Leesville Lake. Currently, Leesville is operated by auto-cycling the units, to provide a minimum average daily flow of 650 cfs to the Roanoke River downstream. Additional flow is provided during the spring spawning season for striped bass.

Appalachian Power does not propose to modify existing operations, except as described in its proposed *Water Management Plan*. Appalachian also proposes to implement numerous environmental enhancement measures that are contained in its proposed resource-specific management plans.

l. *Locations of the Application:* A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may 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, contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto: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 item (h) above.

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

n. *Procedural Schedule:* The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate. For example, issuance of the Ready for Environmental Analysis Notice is based on the assumption that there will be no additional information.

| Milestone  | Target Date     |
|--|-----------------|
| Tendering Notice .....   | (April 2008).   |
| Notice of Acceptance/Notice of Ready for Environmental Analysis .....                        | (May 2008).     |
| Filing of recommendations, preliminary terms and conditions, and fishway prescriptions ..... | (July 2008).    |
| Commission issues Draft EA or EIS .....  | (January 2009). |
| Comments on Draft EA or EIS .....  | (March 2009).   |
| Modified Terms and Conditions .....  | (May 2009).     |
| Commission Issues Final EA or EIS .....  | (August 2009).  |

o. Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of the notice of ready for environmental analysis.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP08-110-000]

#### Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP; Notice of Application

April 9, 2008.

Take notice that on April 4, 2008, Gulf South Pipeline Company, LP (Gulf South), 9 Greenway Plaza, Houston, Texas 77046, filed in Docket No. CP08-110-000 an application pursuant to section 7(b) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) requesting permission and approval to abandon by sale to Energy Partners, LTD. Approximately 11.8 miles of 12-inch diameter pipeline facilities and related appurtenances located in federal and state waters offshore in the Gulf of Mexico. In addition, Gulf South is requesting a determination that upon abandonment, Energy Partners ownership and operation of the facilities will be exempt from Commission jurisdiction under 1(b) of the NGA, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. 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](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Any questions regarding this application should be directed to J. Kyle Stephens, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs, Gulf South Pipeline South Pipeline Company, LP, 9 Greenway Plaza, Houston, Texas 77046, or call (713) 479-8033, by fax (713) 479-1846, or by e-mail to [kyle.stephens@bwpmlp.com](mailto:kyle.stephens@bwpmlp.com).

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.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commentors will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commentors will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commentors will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

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 under the "e-Filing" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. The Commission strongly encourages intervenors to file electronically. 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.

*Comment Date:* April 30, 2008.

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*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP08-114-000]

#### Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America LLC; Notice of Application

April 9, 2008.

Take notice that on April 7, 2008, Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America LLC (Natural), 747 East 22nd Street, Lombard, Illinois 60148, filed an application pursuant to section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct and operate certain facilities, located in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open for public inspection. This filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may 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, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Specifically, Natural proposes to construct and operate approximately 900 feet of 16-inch diameter pipeline and operate an already constructed meter, consisting of ultrasonic meter runs, flow control valve, gas quality monitoring devices, and Electronic flow Measurement facilities. Natural states that the facilities are necessary to receive up to 300 MDth/day of re-vaporized liquefied natural gas from the Sabine Pass Segment of the Cheniere Creole Trail Pipeline (Cheniere), located in Cameron Parish, Louisiana. Natural estimates the cost of construction to be