intervener 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 documents on that resource agency.

j. Description of Application:
Applicants request approval, under
Section 8 of the Federal Power Act, of
a transfer of license for the Big Island
Project No. 2902 from the Nekoosa
Packaging Corporation to GP Big Island,
LLC.

k. 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 "FERRIS" link. Enter the project number excluding the last three digits (P–8315) in the docket number field to access the document. For online assistance, contact FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free (866) 208–3676, for TTY, call (202) 502–8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the addresses in item g.

l. Individual desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary

of the Commission.

m. 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, .211, .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.

n. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letters the title "Comments", "Protests", 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.

o. 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 filling comments, it will be assumed 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 Accepting for Filing and Soliciting Motions To Intervene, Protests and Comments

September 8, 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.: 12721-000.

c. Date filed: July 31, 2006.

d. *Applicant:* Pepperell Hydro Company LLC.

 e. Name of Project: East Pepperell Project.

f. *Location:* On Nashua River, in Pepperell, Middlesex County, Massachusetts.

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

h. *Applicant Contact*: Dr. Peter B. Clark, P.O. Box 149, 823 Bay Road, Hamilton, MA 01936, (978) 468–3999.

i. *FERC Contact*: Etta Foster, (202) 502–8769.

j. Deadline for filing comments, protests, and motions to intervene: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please include the project number (P–12721–000) on any comments, protests, or motions filed.

k. Description of Project: The proposed project would consist of: (1) The existing 27-foot-high, 275-foot-long, East Pepperell Dam; (2) an existing intake; (3) an existing impoundment with a surface area of approximately 1,465 acres and a storage capacity of approximately 6,600 acre-feet at a normal maximum water surface elevation of 199.8-feet above mean sea level with 3-foot flashboards in place; (4) an existing 13-foot-diameter, 666-

foot-long, wood stave penstock; (5) a proposed powerhouse containing three generating units having an installed capacity of 1,920 kW; (5) a switchyard; (6) an existing 450-foot-long, 600 volt transmission line connected to the former Pepperell Paper Company and an existing 1,600-foot, 69-kV transmission line connected to the East Pepperell substation of National Grid owned by Mass Electric Company, and (7) appurtenant facilities.

The project would have an estimated annual generation of approximately 7,123 MWh. The applicant plans to sell

the generated energy.

l. Location of Application: 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.

p. Notice of Intent—a notice of intent must specify the exact name, business address, and telephone number of the prospective applicant, and must include an unequivocal statement of intent to submit, if such an application may be filed, either a preliminary permit application or a development application (specify which type of application). A notice of intent must be served on the applicant(s) named in this public notice.

q. Proposed Scope of Studies under Permit—A preliminary permit, if issued, does not authorize construction. The term of the proposed preliminary permit would be 36 months. The work proposed under the preliminary permit would include economic analysis, preparation of preliminary engineering plans, and a study of environmental impacts. Based on the results of these studies, the Applicant would decide whether to proceed with the preparation

of a development application to

construct and operate the project.

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, .211, .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.

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 "efiling" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing.

s. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents—Any filings must bear in all capital letter the title "Comments", "Recommendations for Terms and Conditions", "Protest", "Motion to Intervene", "Notice of Intent", or "Competing Application", 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 for Non-Project Use of Project Lands and Waters and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

September 12, 2006.

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

- a. Application Type: Non-Project Use of Project Lands and Waters.
 - b. *Project No.:* 2210–140.
 - c. Date filed: August 29, 2006.
- d. *Applicant:* Appalachian Power Company
- e. *Name of Project:* Smith Mountain Pumped Storage Project.
- f. Location: The project is located on the Roanoke River, in Bedford, Pittsylvania, Franklin, and Roanoke Counties, Virginia.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–825(r) and 799 and 801.
- h. Applicant Contact: Teresa P. Rogers, Hydro Generation Department, Appalachian Power, P.O. Box 2021, Roanoke, VA 24022–2121, (540) 985– 2441.
- i. FERC Contact: Rebecca Martin at 202–502–6012, or e-mail Rebecca.martin@ferc.gov.
- j. Deadline for filing comments and or motions: October 13, 2006.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Please include the project number (P–

2210–140) on any comments or motions filed. 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. The Commission strongly encourages e-filings.

k. Description of Application: The licensee requests a variance to grant Virginia State Parks permission to dredge sand and excavate non-sand substrate from the Smith Mountain Lake State Park Beach in Bedford County, Virginia. Virginia State Parks (applicant) is proposing to restore the existing sand beach to near original elevation grades and to prevent the moving sand from obstructing the function of adjacent structures. The restoration involves the removal of sand and clay from within the project boundary, dewatering the sand, replacement of the dredged and dewatered sand, and the addition of approximately 100 cubic yards of sand. The total amount of land disturbance required for the project is approximately 2.3 acres. The licensee is requesting the variance because the proposed action is not in conformance with the approved Shoreline Management Plan for the Smith Mountain Pumped Storage Project, approved on July 5, 2005.

l. Location of Application: The filing is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE., Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov using the "e-Library" 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 or toll free (866) 208–3676 or TTY, contact (202) 502–8659.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. 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, .211, .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