turbine and generator for a total installed capacity of 150 kilowatts; and (4) an existing 5,176-foot-long, 12 kV transmission line. The project is estimated to generate an average of 421,184 kilowatt-hours annually. The dam and existing project facilities are owned by the applicant. The licensee proposes no changes to facilities or operations.

o. 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 <a href="http://www.ferc.gov">http://www.ferc.gov</a> 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 <a href="ferc.gov">FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov</a> or toll-free at 1–866–208–3676, or for TTY, (202) 502–8659. A copy is also available

You may also register online at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

for inspection and reproduction at the

address in item h above.

- p. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the California State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), as required by § 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36, CFR 800.4.
- q. *Procedural schedule:* The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Deficiency Letter—March 31, 2008.

Request Additional Information—March 31, 2008.

Issue Acceptance letter—June 30, 2008.

Issue Scoping Document 1 for comments—July 30, 2008.

Notice of application is ready for environmental analysis—September 30, 2008.

Notice of the availability of the EA—March 30, 2009.

### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 4684-064]

Stillwater Hydro Associates, LLC; Notice of Application for Transfer of License, and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

April 3, 2008.

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

a. *Application Type:* Transfer of License.

b. Project No.: 4684-064.

c. Date Filed: March 7, 2008.

d. *Applicants:* Stillwater Hydro Partners LP (transferor); Stillwater Hydro Associates, LLC (transferee).

e. Name and Location of Project: The Stillwater Project is located on the Hudson River in Saratoga and Rensselaer Counties, New York.

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

- g. Applicant Contacts: For the transferor: Charles A. Bouley, Stillwater Hydro Partners LP, 265 Genesse Street, Auburn, NY 13021. For the transferee: Dwight A. Bowler, Stillwater Hydro Associates LLC, C/O Champlain Spinners Hydro Company, Inc., 813 Jefferson Hill Road, Nassau, New York 12123.
- h. *FERC Contact:* Robert Bell at (202) 502–6062.
- i. Deadline for filing comments, protests, and motions to intervene: May 2. 2008.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. 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 electronic filings. Please include the Project Number on any comments or motions filed.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing a document 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 documents on that resource agency.

j. Description of Application: The Applicants seek Commission approval to transfer the license for the Stillwater Project from Stillwater Hydro Partners LP to Stillwater Hydro Associates, 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 <a href="http://www.ferc.gov">http://www.ferc.gov</a> using the "FERRIS" link. Enter the docket number (P–9985) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, call toll-free 1–866–208–3676 or e-mail <a href="ferconlineSupport@ferc.gov">FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov</a>. For TTY, call (202) 502–8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the addresses in item g. above.

l. Individuals 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", "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 eight copies 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 Applicants 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 Applicants. 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 Applicants' representatives.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP08-97-000]

# Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

April 3, 2008.

Take notice that on March 25, 2008, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, filed in Docket No. CP08-97-000, a prior notice request pursuant to sections 157.205, 157.208, 157.210, and 157.211 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act for authorization to install and operate the West Leg II Project, located within the states of Nebraska and Iowa, 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, (886) 208-3676 or TYY, (202) 502-8659.

Specifically, Northern proposes to install and operate: (i) Approximately 0.89 mile of a 30-inch diameter mainline extension to its existing SSC-Paulina C-Line mainline, located in Woodbury County, Iowa; (ii) approximately 10.94 miles of 8-inch diameter branch line loop beginning at a take-off valve on the existing 8-inch diameter Columbus A-Line, located in Colfax County, Nebraska, and ending in the existing Columbus #4 Town Border Station (TBS) yard, located in Platte County, Nebraska; (iii) modify and upgrade an existing TBS, the Columbus #4 TBS, located in Platte County, Nebraska, by replacing the inlet piping and regulator setting and associated fittings, valves, and piping; and (iv) appurtenant section 2.55(a) facilities. Northern estimates the cost of construction to be \$9,128,966. Northern states that the modifications proposed are necessary to provide an incremental 11 MMcf/d of natural gas effective

October 1, 2008, to meet the firm winter obligations as contracted with Archer Daniels Midland Company.

Any questions regarding the application should be directed to Michael T. Loeffler, Senior Director, Certificates and External Affairs, Northern Natural Gas Company, 1111 South 103rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68124, call (402) 398–7103 or Donna Martens, Senior Regulatory Analyst, at (402) 398–7138.

Any person or the Commission's Staff may, within 60 days after the issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and, pursuant to section 157.205 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA) (18 CFR 157.205) a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the time allowed for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the NGA.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests, and interventions via the Internet in lieu of paper. 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.

## Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

# Notice Announcing Combined Notice of Initial Market-Based Rate Authorization Filings

April 3, 2008.

Effective April 3, 2008, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will issue a separate combined notice of filing separately capturing initial market-based rate authorization filings.

As of this date, the Secretary of the Commission is making the following changes to the filing procedures for initial market-based rate authorization filings:

1. Filers requesting initial marketbased rate authorization and certain waivers and blanket approvals, particularly including blanket approval under 18 CFR Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability by the applicants, must clearly state such request in the title or heading of the filing. For example:

Re: Name of Applicant(s), Docket No. ER08—\_\_\_\_, (Title/Description) and request for blanket approval under 18 C.F.R. Part 34 of all future issuances of securities and assumptions of liability.

The notices issued under this method for ER dockets will be added to eLibrary and published in the **Federal Register** under the name "Combined Notice of Initial Market-Based Rate Filings." These notices will list initial market-based rate authorization filings added to eLibrary since publication of the last notice. Each filing will be listed with its identifying details as follows:

Name of Applicant(s)—This item will show the applicant name as it appears on the filing.

Docket Number—This item will contain a hyperlink to the eLibrary docket sheet for the docket number.

Description—This item will contain a brief description of the filing and a hyperlink that will open an image version of the filed document in eLibrary.

Filing Date—This item will show the date on which the document was filed with the Commission.

Accession Number—This item will contain a hyperlink that will open the document "Info" area of eLibrary for the filed document.

Comment Date—This item will indicate the comment deadline for the filing.

By this initiative, the Commission seeks to expedite the process for noticing initial market-based rate authorizations that also request blanket approvals for future issuances of securities and assumptions of liabilities, thereby also simplifying the manner in which the Commission's staff prepares notices. Consolidating notices in this manner also reduces the cost of publishing the notices in the **Federal Register**.

## Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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