Data collection	Number of filers providing actual cost figures	Total annual cost of collection, for the filers providing data in column 2 (\$)2	Projected average annual cost per respondent (\$)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(3)/(2)
FERC-500	17 14	\$109,331,372 3,123,000	\$6,431,257 223,071

The reporting burden ² includes the total time, effort, or financial resources expended to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide the information including: (1) Reviewing instructions; (2) developing, acquiring, installing, and utilizing technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, verifying, processing, maintaining, disclosing and providing information; (3) adjusting the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; (4) training personnel to respond to a collection of information; (5) searching data sources; (6) completing and reviewing the collection of information; and (7) transmitting, or otherwise disclosing the information.

The estimate of cost for respondents ² is based upon salaries for professional and clerical support, as well as direct and indirect overhead costs. Direct costs include all costs directly attributable to providing this information, such as administrative costs and the cost for information technology. Indirect or overhead costs are costs incurred by an organization in support of its mission. These costs apply to activities which benefit the whole organization rather than any one particular function or activity.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collections of information are necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimates of the burden of the proposed collections of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of

information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2547-092]

Village of Swanton, VT; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests, and Soliciting Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Fishway Prescriptions

August 21, 2009.

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

- a. *Type of Application:* Amendment of License.
 - b. Project No.: 2547-092.
 - c. Date filed: June 4, 2009.
- d. *Applicant:* Village of Swanton, Vermont (Village).
- e. *Name of Project:* Highgate Falls Project.
- f. *Location:* The project is located on the Missisquoi River in Franklin County, Vermont.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)–825(r).
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Paul V. Nolan, 5515 North 17th Street, Arlington, VA 22205–2722; telephone (703) 534–5509.
- i. FERC Contact: Tom Papsidero, telephone (202) 502–6002, and e-mail address thomas.papsidero@ferc.gov.
- j. Deadline for filing comments, protests, motions to intervene, recommendations, preliminary terms and conditions, and fishway prescriptions is 60 days from the issuance date of this notice; reply comments are due 105 days from the issuance date of this notice. 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. Please include the project number (P–2547–092) on any comments or motions filed.

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 Request: The Village proposes to install a turbine generator unit to increase total generating capacity by utilizing minimum flows that are currently passing over the rubber dam of the project. The new unit would consist of a single turbine generator with a capacity of 710 kilowatts (kW) and hydraulic capacity of 200 cubic feet per second (cfs). The total authorized capacity for the project would increase from 10,800 kW to 11,510 kW and the total hydraulic capacity of the project would increase from 1,906 cfs to 2,106 cfs.

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. 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, interventions, recommendations, terms and conditions, and fishway prescriptions 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 "e-filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing.

o. Filing and Service of Responsive Documents: All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST", "MOTION TO INTERVENE", "COMMENTS," "REPLY COMMENTS," "RECOMMENDATIONS," "TERMS AND CONDITIONS," or "FISHWAY PRESCRIPTIONS;" (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions should relate to project works which are the subject of the license amendment. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of all other filings in reference to this application must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 4.34(b) and 385.2010.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13534-000]

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

August 25, 2009.

On July 7, 2009,1 Green Hydropower Inc. filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA) 2 to study the feasibility of the proposed 2megawatt (MW) Green Hydropower Rocky Reach Project No. 13534. The project would be located in Douglas and Chelan Counties, Washington. 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 Green Hydropower Rocky Reach Project is an in-river development that would be located 0.25-miles downstream of the Rocky Reach Dam (FERC Project No. 2145) on the Columbia River. The project would consist of: (1) Multiple 10-foot-diameter to 40-foot-diameter sea anchors (pieces of high-strength synthetic material that inflate to roughly the shape of a parachute in the presence of an underwater current); (2) an up to 1.25mile-long synthetic rope; (3) an electricdriven traction winch or an electricdriven capstan; (4) a generator attached to the winch or capstan; (5) a floating vessel, such as a boat; (6) a new approximately 480-volt, 500-foot-long transmission line; and (7) appurtenant facilities. The sea anchors would be attached to a rope that is connected to the winch or capstan. The winch or capstan would be mounted on shore or on a floating vessel. The sea anchors would be pulled downstream by the existing current, pulling the rope through a winch or capstan, which will turn the generator. The project would have an estimated annual generation of between 8,750-megawatt hours (MWh) and 17,500 MWhs per year.

Applicant Contact: Mr. Joseph Allan Francis, Owner, Green Hydropower Inc., 5316 North Shirley Street, Ruston, WA 98407; phone: (253) 732–6532.

FERC Contact: Jennifer Harper, 202–502–6136.

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/filingcomments.asp. 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/docsfiling/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P-13534) 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

[FERC Docket No. CP09-161-000]

Bison Pipeline, L.L.C.; Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and Notice of Public Comment Meetings for the Bison Pipeline Project

August 21, 2009.

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared a draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the natural gas pipeline facilities proposed by Bison Pipeline, L.L.C. (Bison) in the above-referenced docket. The Bison Pipeline Project facilities would be located in Wyoming, Montana, and North Dakota and have been designed to transport

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ Applicant submitted supplemental information to answer deficiencies in initial permit application on August 17, 2009.

² 16 U.S.C. 797(f). Three years is the maximum term for a preliminary permit. *See* FPA Section 5, 16 U.S.C. 798