#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

#### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2533-046]

Wausau Paper Printing & Writing, LLC,

Wausau Paper Mills, LLC; Notice of Application for Transfer of License and Soliciting Comments and Motions To Intervene

December 30, 2009.

On December 10, 2009, Wausau Paper Printing & Writing, LLC (transferor) and Wausau Paper Mills, LLC (transferee) filed an application for transfer of license of the Brainerd Hydroelectric Project located on the Mississippi River, in Crow Wing County, Minnesota.

The transferor and transferee seek Commission approval to transfer the license for the Brainerd Hydroelectric Project from the transferor to the transferee.

Applicant Contacts: For Transferor and Transferee: Ms. Cara Kurtenback, Director of Environmental Affairs, Wausau Paper Corp., 100 Paper Place, Mosinee, WI 54455, (715) 692–2023, e-mail: ckurtenbach@wausaupaper.com and Ms. Elizabeth W. Whittle, Nixon Peabody, LLP, 401 Ninth Street, NW., Suite 900, Washington, DC 20004, (202) 585–8338, e-mail: ewhittle@nixonpeabody.com.

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

Deadline for filing comments and motions to intervene: 15 days from the issuance of this notice. Comments and motions to intervene may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii)(2008) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under the "e-Filing" link. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. 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 can be viewed or printed on the eLibrary link of Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P-2533-046) 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

[Project No. 12690-003]

Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County, WA; Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Draft Application, Request for Waivers of Integrated Licensing Process Regulations Necessary for Expedited Processing of a Hydrokinetic Pilot Project License Application, and Soliciting Comments

December 30, 2009.

- a. *Type of Filing*: Notice of Intent to File a License Application for an Original License for a Hydrokinetic Pilot Project.
  - b. Project No.: 12690-003.
  - c. Date Filed: December 28, 2009.
- d. *Submitted By:* Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County, Washington (Snohomish PUD)
- e. *Name of Project:* Admiralty Inlet Pilot Tidal Project.
- f. Location: On the east side of Admiralty Inlet in Puget Sound, Washington, about 1 kilometer west of Whidbey Island, entirely within Island County, Washington. The project would not occupy any Federal lands.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to:* 18 CFR 5.3 and 5.5 of the Commission's regulations.
- h. *Applicant Contact:* Steven J. Klein, Public Utility District of Snohomish County, Washington, P.O. Box 1107, 2320, California Street, Everett, WA 98206–1107; (425) 783–8473.
- i. FERC Contact: David Turner (202) 502–6091.
- j. Snohomish PUD has filed with the Commission: (1) A notice of intent (NOI) to file an application for an original license for a hydrokinetic pilot project and a draft license application with monitoring plans; (2) a request for waivers of the integrated licensing process regulations necessary for expedited processing of a hydrokinetic pilot project license application; and (3) a proposed process plan and schedule.
- k. With this notice, we are soliciting comments on the pre-filing materials listed in paragraph j above, including the draft license application and monitoring plans. All comments should be sent to the address above in

paragraph h. In addition, all comments (original and eight copies) must be filed with the Commission at the following address: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. All filings with the Commission must include on the first page, the project name (Admiralty Inlet Pilot Tidal Project) and number (P–12690– 003), and bear the heading "Comments on the proposed Admiralty Inlet Pilot Tidal Project." Any individual or entity interested in submitting comments on the pre-filing materials must do so by February 26, 2010.

Comments may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. 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.

l. Snohomish PUD was designated as the non-federal representative for section 7 of the Endangered Species Act consultation and for section 106 consultation under the National Historic Preservation Act on November 7, 2008.

m. This notice does not constitute the Commission's approval of Snohomish PUD's request to use the Pilot Project Licensing Procedures. Upon its review of the project's overall characteristics relative to the pilot project criteria, the draft license application contents, and any comments filed, the Commission will determine whether there is adequate information to conclude the pre-filing process.

n. The proposed Admiralty Inlet Pilot Tidal Project would consist of (1) two 10-meter, 500-kilowatt (kW) Open-Centre Turbines supplied by OpenHydro Group Ltd., mounted on completely submerged gravity foundations; (2) two 250-meter service cables connected at a subsea junction box or spliced to a 0.5-kilometer subsea transmission cable, connecting to a cable termination vault about 50 meters from shore; (3) two 81-meter-long buried conduits containing the two DC transmission lines from the turbines and connecting to a power conditioning and control building; (4) a 140-meter-long buried cable from the control building to the grid; and (5) appurtenant facilities for operation and maintenance. The estimated annual generation of the project is 383,000 kilowatt-hours.

o. A copy of the draft license application and all pre-filing materials are available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site (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 or toll free at 1–866–208–3676, or for TTY, (202) 502–8659.

p. Pre-filing process schedule. The pre-filing process will be conducted pursuant to the following tentative schedule. Snohomish PUD plans to complete studies in 2010 to provide further support for the environmental analysis. Revisions to the schedule below may be made based on staff's review of the draft application and any comments received.

Milestone	Date
Comments on pre-fil-	February 26, 2010.
ing materials due. Issuance of meeting	March 15, 2010.
notice (if needed). Public meeting/tech-	April 14, 2010.
nical conference (if needed).	
Issuance of notice concluding pre-fil-	March 28, 2010 (if no meeting is
ing process and ILP waiver request	needed). April 29, 2010 (if meeting
determination.	is needed).

q. Register online at http://ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm to be notified via email of new filing and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

#### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2146-111]

#### Alabama Power Company; Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Assessment

December 31, 2009.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the application for a new major license for the Coosa River Hydroelectric Project (Coosa River Project), which includes the Weiss, H. Neely Henry, Logan Martin, Lay, and Bouldin developments; the Mitchell Hydroelectric Project (P–82); and the Jordan Hydroelectric Project (P–618).

Alabama Power Company has requested that Project Nos. 2146, 82, and 618 be consolidated into one project. We are processing these three projects under Project No. 2146–111. This final environmental assessment (EA) is a cooperative undertaking between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Commission.

The Coosa River Project is located on the Coosa River, in the States of Alabama and Georgia. The Logan Martin development affects less than 1 acre of Federal lands, the Lay development affects 133.5 acres of Federal lands, the Mitchell Project affects 127.3 acres of Federal lands, and the Jordan Project affects 10.1 acres of Federal lands. Staff has prepared a final EA for the project.

The final EA contains staff's analysis of the potential environmental effects of the project and concludes that licensing the project, with appropriate environmental protective measures, would not constitute a major Federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the final EA 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 or toll-

fee at 1–866–208–3676, or for TTY, (202) 502–8659.

For further information, please contact Janet Hutzel at (202) 502–8675 or at janet.hutzel@ferc.gov.

#### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EF10-1-000]

### Western Area Power Administration; Notice of Filing

December 30, 2009.

Take notice that on December 16, 2009, the Deputy Secretary of the Department of Energy submitted Rate Order No. WAPA–146, confirmed and approved on an interim basis, effective on January 1, 2010, Rate Schedule L–F9 for firm electric service from the Loveland Area Projects, and under the authority vested in the Federal Energy

Regulatory Commission by Delegation Order No. 00–037.00, submitted Rate Schedule L–F9 for confirmation and approval on a final basis effective January 1, 2010, and ending December 31, 2014.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at http://www.ferc.gov. 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.

This filing is accessible on-line at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov">http://www.ferc.gov</a>, 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 <a href="ferc.gov">FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov</a>, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Comment Date: 5 pm Eastern Time on January 15, 2010.

### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EF10-2-000]

### Western Area Power Administration; Notice of Filing

December 30, 2009.

Take notice that on December 16, 2009, the Deputy Secretary of the