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Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12495–002]

Cascade Creek, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On February 1, 2011, Cascade Creek, LLC filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Cascade Creek Hydroelectric Project (Cascade Creek project) to be located on Cascade Creek, Swan Lake, and Falls Lake in the vicinity of Petersburg, Alaska. 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 project will consist of the following: (1) A low-head weir on Swan Lake with a 3-foot-high, 50-foot-long crest gate and an intake siphon; (2) a 16,000-foot-long, 12 to 14-foot diameter unlined power conduit; (3) an 780-foot-long, 9-foot-diameter steel penstock from the power conduit to the powerhouse; (4) a 140-foot by 80-foot concrete and metal powerhouse containing three turbines with a capacity of 70 megawatts (MW); (5) an approximately 18.7-mile-long, 138-kV transmission line which will tie into an undetermined interconnection near Petersburg; and (6) appurtenant facilities. The estimated annual generation of the Cascade Creek project would be 205 gigawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Chris Spens, Cascade Creek, LLC, 3633 Alderwood Avenue, Bellingham, WA 98225.

FERC Contact: Ryan Hansen (202) 502–8074 or by e-mail at *ryan.hansen@ferc.gov.*

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. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36. 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 *http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp.* Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at *http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp.* You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

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/docs-filing/elibrary.asp.* Enter the docket number (P–12495–002) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice Announcing Preliminary Permit Drawing

	Project No.
Lock+ Hydro Friends Fund XXXVIII	13744–000
FFP Missouri 12, LLC	13755–000
Allegheny 2 Hydro, LLC	13774–000
Three Rivers Hydro LLC	13780–000

The Commission has received four preliminary permit applications deemed filed on May 18, 2010, at 8:30 a.m.,[1] for proposed projects to be located at the Army Corps of Engineers' Allegheny River Lock and Dam No. 2 on the Allegheny River, in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. The applications were filed by Lock+ Hydro Friends Fund XXXVIII for Project No. 13744, FFP Missouri 12, LLC, for Project No. 13755, Allegheny 2 Hydro, LLC, for Project No. 13774, and Three Rivers Hydro LLC for Project No. 13780.

On March 24, 2011, at 10 a.m. (eastern time), the Secretary of the Commission, or her designee, will conduct a random drawing to determine the filing priority of the applicants identified in this notice. The Commission will select among competing permit applications as provided in section 4.37 of its regulations.[2] The priority established by this drawing will be used to determine which applicant, among those with identical filing times, will be considered to have the first-filed application.

The drawing is open to the public and will be held in room 2C, the Commission Meeting Room, located at 888 First St., NE., Washington, DC 20426. A subsequent notice will be issued by the Secretary announcing the results of the drawing.

Dated: March 15, 2011.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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[1] Under the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, any document received after regular business hours is considered filed at 8:30 a.m. on the next regular business day. 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(2) (2010).

[2] 18 CFR 4.37 (2010).

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA–HQ–OAR–2007–0482; FRL–9284–7]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; SmartWay Transport Partnership (New Collection)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that an Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. This is a request for a new collection. The ICR, which is abstracted below, describes the nature of the information collection and its estimated burden and cost.

DATES: Additional comments may be submitted on or before April 21, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OAR–2007–0482, to (1) EPA online using *http://www.regulations.gov* (our preferred method), by e-mail to: *a-and-r-Docket@epa.gov,* or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Air Docket, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460, and (2) OMB by mail to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), *Attention:* Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Denise Kearns, Office of Air and Radiation, Office of Transportation and Air Quality, Transportation and Regional Programs Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2000 Traverwood Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48105; *telephone:* 734–214–4240; *Fax:* 734–214–4906; *e-mail: kearns.denise @epa.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA has submitted the following ICR to OMB for review and approval according to the procedures prescribed in 5 CFR 1320.12. On April 28, 2009 (74 FR 19222), EPA sought comments on this ICR pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.8(d). EPA received no comments. Any additional comments on this ICR should be submitted to EPA and OMB within 30 days of this notice.

EPA has established a public docket for this ICR under Docket ID No. EPA–HQ–OAR–2007–0482, which is available for online viewing at *http://www.regulations.gov*, or in person viewing at the Air Docket in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC), EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA/DC Public Reading Room is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Reading Room is 202–566–1744, and the telephone number for the Air Docket is 202–566–1742.

Use EPA's electronic docket and comment system at *http://www.regulations.gov* to submit or view public comments, access the index listing of the contents of the docket, and to access those documents in the docket that are available electronically. Once in the system, select "docket search," then key in the docket ID number identified above. **Please note** that EPA's policy is that public comments, whether submitted electronically or in paper, will be made available for public viewing at *http://www.regulations.gov* as EPA receives them and without change, unless the comment contains copyrighted material, confidential business information (CBI), or other information whose public disclosure is restricted by statute. For further information about the electronic docket, go to *http://www.regulations.gov.*

Title: SmartWay Transport Partnership (New Collection).

ICR numbers: EPA ICR No. 2265.01, OMB Control No. 2060–NEW.

ICR status: This ICR is for a new information collection activity. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations in title 40 of the CFR, after appearing in the **Federal Register** when approved, are listed in 40 CFR part 9, and are displayed either by publication in the **Federal Register** or by other appropriate means, such as on the related collection instrument or form, if applicable. The display of OMB control numbers in certain EPA regulations is consolidated in 40 CFR part 9.

Abstract: The EPA's Office of Air and Radiation (OAR) supports the SmartWay Transport Partnership, an energy conservation deployment program that aims to improve fuel efficiency and curb greenhouse gas emissions generated by the freight goods movement industry. OAR developed the SmartWay Transport Partnership under directives outlined in Subtitle D of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 which calls on EPA to assess the energy and air quality impacts of activities within the freight industry. These activities include long-duration truck idling, the development and promotion of strategies for reducing idling, fuel consumption, and negative air quality effects. SmartWay's objectives also are consistent with the Federal Technology Transfer Act and other laws that support collaborative partnerships between government and industry.

The partnership is open to organizations that either use or provide freight transport services for goods movement. "Affiliate" organizations that do not operate freight transport fleets, but that are working to strengthen the freight industry, such as industry trade associations, state and local transportation agencies and environmental groups, also may sign on as SmartWay partners.

All organizations that join SmartWay, including carriers, shippers and affiliates are asked to provide EPA with information.

Specifically, as a first step toward partnering with EPA, organizations that operate fleets, such as freight carriers, shippers and logistics management companies, commit to assessing and improving the environmental performance of their freight transport activities. A company joins SmartWay when it: (1) Conducts an assessment of its transportation and freight-based management activities and inputs its results into SmartWay's online environmental measurement tracking system; and (2) provides a signed partnership agreement to EPA. Data outputs from the environmental tracking system are used by companies to establish a baseline and set goals for reducing fuel use and emissions. Under their partnership agreement, companies also agree to annually update the environmental performance tracking system and provide those updated results to EPA.

Data outputs from the environmental tracking system are vital to the SmartWay Partnership for several reasons. First, the data provides confirmation that EPA's SmartWay partners have set a baseline, established objectives and are meeting those objectives as outlined in their partnership agreement. The environmental measurement tracking system also makes it possible for EPA to assist our partners in adjusting their commitments, as appropriate, and to update them with environmental performance and technology information that will empower them to improve their efficiency and achieve their environmental goals. This information also improves EPA's knowledge and understanding of the environmental and energy impacts associated with goods movement, and the effectiveness of both proven and emerging strategies to lessen those impacts.

In addition to requesting tracking updates on fuel consumption and environmental performance, EPA may from time to time provide opportunities to encourage SmartWay partners to provide other kinds of information, to improve the program's services. These opportunities may be made available to all SmartWay partners, including affiliates. Some examples of the kinds of information and topics that partners might provide input to EPA on could include opinions and test data on the effectiveness of new and emerging technology applications; the reach and value of partnering with EPA through the SmartWay program; and awareness of the SmartWay brand. In some instances, EPA might also query other freight industry representatives (not just SmartWay partners), including trade and professional associations, nonprofit environmental groups, energy, and

community organizations, and schools and universities, and a small sampling of the general public on these topics.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3 hours per response. Burden means the total time, effort, and financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose and provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Respondents/Affected Entities: Transportation carriers; retail and industrial shippers that contract with transportation carriers; logistics and supply chain management companies; and non-profit and other affiliates organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,225.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 8,301.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: $531,089, which includes $1,350 annualized capital or O&M costs.

Dated: March 16, 2011.

John Moses,

Director, Collection Strategies Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–9285–2]

Office of Research and Development; Ambient Air Monitoring Reference and Equivalent Methods: Designation of Four New Equivalent Methods

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of the designation of four new equivalent methods for monitoring ambient air quality.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has designated, in accordance with 40 CFR Part 53, four new equivalent methods: One each for measuring concentrations of $PM_{2.5}$ and lead (Pb) and two for measuring concentrations of PM_{10} in the ambient air.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Vanderpool, Human Exposure and Atmospheric Sciences Division (MD–D205–03), National Exposure Research Laboratory, U.S. EPA, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711. *E-mail: Vanderpool.Robert@epa.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with regulations at 40 CFR Part 53, the EPA evaluates various methods for monitoring the concentrations of those ambient air pollutants for which EPA has established National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQSs) as set forth in 40 CFR Part 50. Monitoring methods that are determined to meet specific requirements for adequacy are designated by the EPA as either reference methods or equivalent methods (as applicable), thereby permitting their use under 40 CFR Part 58 by States and other agencies for determining compliance with the NAAQSs.

The EPA hereby announces the designation of four new equivalent methods for measuring pollutant concentrations in the ambient air: One for $PM_{2.5}$, one for Pb, and two for PM_{10}. These designations are made under the provisions of 40 CFR Part 53, as amended on June 22, 2010 (75 FR 35597).

The new $PM_{2.5}$ equivalent method is an automated monitoring method (analyzer) utilizing a measurement principle based on active sampling of ambient aerosols and contemporaneous analysis by means of a light-scattering technique for determination of particle size and mass concentration. The newly designated equivalent method is identified as follows:

EQPM–0311–195, "Grimm Technologies, Inc. Model EDM 180 $PM_{2.5}$ Monitor," light scattering continuous ambient particulate monitor operated for 24 hours at a volumetric flow rate of 1.2 L/min, configured with a Nafion®-type air sample dryer, complete for operation with firmware version 7.80 or later, in accordance with the Grimm Technologies, Inc. Model EDM 180 Operation and Instruction Manual. The optional graphic presentation can be made with the software model 1.177 version 3.30 or later.

The application for an equivalent method determination for this candidate method was received by the EPA on April 6, 2010. The monitor is commercially available from the applicant, GRIMM Technologies, Inc., 5833 Stewart Parkway, Suite 203, Douglasville, GA 30153.

It should be noted that this Grimm Model EDM 180 $PM_{2.5}$ Monitor is not only a semi-continuous $PM_{2.5}$ analyzer but it is also the first equivalent method designated by EPA that is based on an optical measurement technique and, further, one that does not involve inertial separation of particles in the $PM_{2.5}$ size range or collection of the $PM_{2.5}$ on a particle filter. Because this new measurement approach is being approved for NAAQS compliance measurements for the first time, users are encouraged to consider the special nature of this method when introducing it into a SLAMS PM2.5 monitoring network. The EPA Regional Offices can offer guidance in this regard.

The new equivalent method for Pb is a manual method that uses the sampling procedure specified in the EPA Reference Method for total suspended particulate matter (TSP) (High-Volume Method, 40 CFR Part 50, Appendix B), with a particular extraction and analytical procedure. The method is identified as follows:

EQL–0311–196, "Heated Ultrasonic Nitric and Hydrochloric Acid Digestion and ICP/AES Analysis for Lead (Pb) on TSP High-Volume Filters." A sample of total suspended particulate matter (TSP) is collected on a glass fiber filter, using the sampler and procedure of the EPA Reference Method for the Determination of Suspended Particulate Matter in the Atmosphere (High-Volume Method) (40 CFR 50, Appendix B). The TSP sample is extracted with a solution of nitric and hydrochloric acid, heated in an ultrasonic bath to 80 °C for one hour, and brought to a final volume of 40 mL. The lead content of the sample extract is analyzed by Inductively Coupled Plasma-Atomic Emission Spectrometry (ICP–AES), based on EPA SW–846 Method 6010C.

The application for an equivalent method determination for this method was submitted by the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711 and was received by the Office of Research and Development on June 24, 2010. The method description is available at *http://www.epa.gov/ttnamti1/pb-monitoring.html.*

The two new equivalent methods for PM_{10} are both manual, gravimetric sampling methods employing a particulate sampler configured for dual filter sampling and using a virtual impactor to separate the fine and coarse PM fractions for collection on separate filters. The two newly designated PM_{10} methods are identified as follows:

EQPS–311–197, "Thermo Scientific Partisol® 2000–D Dichotomous Air Sampler,"