Filed Date: 4/26/13. Accession Number: 20130426-5232. *Comments Due:* 5 p.m. e.t. 5/17/13. Docket Numbers: ER13-1354-000. Applicants: Massachusetts Electric Company. *Description:* Interconnection Agreement Between Mass. Electric Co. and Casella Waste Systems to be effective 6/26/2013. Filed Date: 4/26/13. Accession Number: 20130426-5235. Comments Due: 5 p.m. e.t. 5/17/13. Docket Numbers: ER13–1355–000. Applicants: PacifiCorp. Description: Termination of PacifiCorp Rate Schedule No. 611, the Northern Tier Transmission Group Second Amended and Restated 2007 Funding Agreement. Filed Date: 4/26/13. Accession Number: 20130426-5245. *Comments Due:* 5 p.m. e.t. 5/17/13. Docket Numbers: ER13-1356-000. Applicants: Duke Energy Florida, Inc. Description: Annual update of cost factors for Florida Power Corp. Interchange Agreements to be effective 5/1/2013. Filed Date: 4/29/13. Accession Number: 20130429-5028. Comments Due: 5 p.m. e.t. 5/20/13. Docket Numbers: ER13-1357-000. Applicants: Duke Energy Progress, Inc. Description: Notice of Succession to be effective 4/29/2013. Filed Date: 4/29/13. Accession Number: 20130429-5128. Comments Due: 5 p.m. e.t. 5/20/13. Docket Numbers: ER13-1358-000. Applicants: Duke Energy Florida, Inc. Description: Notice of Succession to be effective 4/29/2013. Filed Date: 4/29/13. Accession Number: 20130429-5139. Comments Due: 5 p.m. e.t. 5/20/13. Take notice that the Commission received the following electric securities filings: Docket Numbers: ES13–22–000. Applicants: MDU Resources Group, Inc. Description: Application for MDU Resources Group, Inc. for authority to issues shares of common stock. Filed Date: 4/29/13. Accession Number: 20130429-5211. Comments Due: 5 p.m. e.t. 5/20/13.

Take notice that the Commission received the following electric reliability filings.

Docket Numbers: RD13–9–000. Applicants: North American Electric Reliability Corporation.

Description: Joint Petition of North American Electric Reliability Corporation and Southwest Power Pool Regional Entity for Approval of Proposed Regional Reliability Standard PRC–006–SPP–01—Underfrequency Load Shedding.

Filed Date: 4/26/13. Accession Number: 20130426–5268.

Comments Due: 5 p.m. e.t. 5/20/13.

The filings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the links or querying the docket number.

Any person desiring to intervene or protest in any of the above proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Regulations (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. Protests may be considered, but intervention is necessary to become a party to the proceeding.

eFiling is encouraged. More detailed information relating to filing requirements, interventions, protests, service, and qualifying facilities filings can be found at: *http://www.ferc.gov/ docs-filing/efiling/filing-req.pdf.* For other information, call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Dated: April 29, 2013.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Commissioner and Staff Attendance at North American Electric Reliability Corporation Meetings

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission hereby gives notice that members of the Commission and/or Commission staff may attend the following meetings:

- North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Member Representatives Committee and Board of Trustees Meetings
- Board of Trustees Compliance Committee, Finance and Audit Committee, and Standards Oversight and Technology Committee Meetings Sheraton Boston Hotel, 39 Dalton Street,
- Boston, MA, 02199.

May 8 (7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.) and May 9 (8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.), 2013

Further information regarding these meetings may be found at: *http://www.nerc.com/calendar.php*.

The discussions at the meetings, which are open to the public, may address matters at issue in the following Commission proceedings:

- Docket No. RC11–5, North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Docket No. RC11–6, North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Docket No. RC13–4, North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Docket No. RR8–4, North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Docket No. RR12–8, North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Docket No. RR13–2, North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Docket No. RR13–3, North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Docket No. RR13–4, North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Docket No. RD09–11, North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Docket No. RD10–2, North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Docket No. RD12–5, North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Docket No. RD13–2, North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Docket No. RD13–3, North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Docket No. RD13–5, North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Docket No. RĎ13–6, North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Docket No. RD13–8, North American Electric Reliability Corporation

For further information, please

contact Jonathan First, 202–502–8529, or *jonathan.first@ferc.gov*.

Dated: April 29, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project Nos. 13424-002; 14516-000]

Lock+[™] Hydro Friends Fund VI, LLC, FFP Iowa 2, LLC; Notice of Competing Preliminary Permit Applications Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On January 2, 2013, Lock+TM Hydro Friends Fund VI, LLC (Hydro Friends) and Free Flow Power Iowa 2, LLC (FFP Iowa 2) filed preliminary permit applications, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of hydropower projects at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) Mississippi River Lock and Dam No. 13, located on the Mississippi River near Clinton, in Clinton County, Iowa. 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.

Hydro Friends' proposed Lock and Dam No. 13 Hydroelectric Project (L+D No. 13 Project or project) No. 13424-002 would consist of: (1) A concrete pad built just upstream of the submersible dike and supporting a frame module containing the turbines; (2) a 200-footlong, 30-foot-deep frame module fitted with a trash rack and containing 15 hydropower turbines each having a capacity of 720 kilowatts (kW) for a total installed capacity of 10,800 kW operating at a net head of nine feet; (3) a 250-foot-long, 200-foot-wide tailrace; (4) a yet undetermined number of draft tubes that would be incorporated into the dyke; (5) a 69 kilovolt transmission line conveying the generated power to the existing power grid at an existing substation on the Illinois side of the river; and (6) appurtenant facilities. The estimated annual generation of the L+D No. 13 Project would be 66,225 megawatt hours. The project would operate run-of-river and utilize the water pool behind the Corps' dam.

Applicant Contact: Mark R. Stover, Vice President of Corporate Affairs, Hydro Green Energy, LLC, 900 Oakmont Lane, Suite 301, Westmont, IL 60559; phone: (877) 556–6566, ext. 711.

FFP Iowa 2's Mississippi Lock and Dam 13 Water Power Project (Mississippi L+D 13 Project or project) No. 14516-000 would consist of: (1) A powerhouse located at the west end of the movable section of the dam and containing three horizontal bulb turbines with a total nameplate capacity of 21.93 megawatts; (2) a 69-kilovolt, 1.25-miles-long either overhead or submarine transmission line connecting the project generation with Alliant Energy transmission facilities; and (3) appurtenant facilities. The majority of the project would be located on lands owned by the United States government and operated by the Corps. The estimated annual generation of the Mississippi L+D 13 Project would be 126.7 gigawatt-hours. The project would operate run-of-river and utilize the water pool behind the Corps' dam.

Applicant Contact: Daniel Lissner, Free Flow Power Corporation, 239 Causeway Street, Suite 300, Boston, MA 02114; phone: (978) 252–7111.

FERĆ Contact: Sergiu Serban; phone: (202) 502–6211.

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 five 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 the Commission's Web site at *http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp.* Enter the docket number (P–13424–002, or P–14516–000) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: April 29, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP13-125-000]

Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Giles County Project, Request for Comments on Environmental Issues, and Notice of Environmental Site Review

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the Giles County Project involving construction and operation of facilities by Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC (Columbia) in Giles County, Virginia, and Summers and Monroe Counties, West Virginia. The Commission will use this EA in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping process the Commission will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies on the project. Your input will help the Commission staff determine what issues they need to evaluate in the EA. Please note that the scoping period will close on May 30, 2013. Further details on how to submit written comments are in the Public Participation section of this notice.

On May 16, 2013, the Commission staff will conduct an onsite environmental review of the Giles County Project. The purpose of this site review is to examine the proposed location for Columbia's project. The site review will be accessible by vehicle and on foot. All interested parties planning to attend must provide their own transportation. Those attending should meet at the following time and location: 8:00 a.m. Thursday, May 16, 2013,

Holiday Inn Express, 805 Oakvale Rd., Princeton, West Virginia, 24740.

This notice is being sent to the Commission's current environmental mailing list for this project. State and local government representatives should notify their constituents of this proposed project and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

If you are a landowner receiving this notice, a pipeline company representative may contact you about the acquisition of an easement to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed facilities. The company would seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement. However, if the Commission approves the project, that approval conveys with it the right of eminent domain. Therefore, if easement negotiations fail to produce an agreement, the pipeline company could initiate condemnation proceedings where compensation would be determined in accordance with state law.

Columbia provided landowners with a fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled "An Interstate Natural Gas Facility On My Land? What Do I Need To Know?". This fact sheet addresses a number of typically-asked questions, including the use of eminent domain and how to participate in the Commission's proceedings. It is also available for viewing on the FERC Web site (*www.ferc.gov*).

Summary of the Proposed Project

Columbia proposes to construct and operate 12.6 miles of 8-inch-diameter