

9:00 a.m. Agency Updates  
 10:15 a.m. Waste Management  
 Committee Report  
 10:30 a.m. Break  
 10:45 a.m. Administrative & Outreach  
 Committee Report  
 11:00 a.m. Public Comment  
 11:15 a.m. Lunch Break  
 1:15 p.m. Facilities Disposition & Site  
 Remediation Committee Report  
 2:15 p.m. Break  
 2:30 p.m. Nuclear Materials  
 Committee Report  
 3:15 p.m. Strategic & Legacy  
 Management Committee Report  
 3:45 p.m. Public Comment  
 4:00 p.m. Adjourn

**Public Participation:** The EM SSAB, Savannah River Site, welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact de'Lisa Carrico at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the phone number listed above. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact de'Lisa Carrico's office at the address or telephone listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comments will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

**Minutes:** Minutes will be available by writing or calling Gerri Flemming at the address or phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following Web site: <http://cab.srs.gov/srs-cab.html>.

Issued at Washington, DC, on July 2, 2015.

**LaTanya R. Butler,**  
*Deputy Committee Management Officer.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Advanced Scientific Computing Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Office of Science, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of Renewal.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 14(a)(2)(A) of the Federal Advisory

Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), and in accordance with Title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations, section 102.3.65(a), and following consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the Advanced Scientific Computing Advisory Committee will be renewed for a two-year period beginning on July 1, 2015.

The Committee will provide advice to the Director, Office of Science (DOE), on the Advanced Scientific Computing Research Program managed by the Office of Advanced Scientific Computing Research.

Additionally, the renewal of the Advanced Scientific Computing Advisory Committee has been determined to be essential to the conduct of the Department of Energy business and to be in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed upon the Department of Energy, by law and agreement. The Committee will operate in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, adhering to the rules and regulations in implementation of that Act.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mrs. Christine Chalk at (301) 903-7486.

Issued in Washington DC, on July 1, 2015.  
**LaTanya R. Butler,**  
*Acting Committee Management Officer.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13809-002]

#### Lock+™ Hydro Friends Fund XLVIII; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On March 27, 2015, Lock+™ Hydro Friends Fund XLVIII filed an application for a preliminary permit under section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act proposing to study the feasibility of the proposed Mississippi River Lock and Dam 14 Hydropower Project No. 13809-002, to be located at the existing U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Mississippi River Lock and Dam No. 14 near the city of Hampton, Rock Island County, Illinois. 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 would be located completely within lands owned by the United States and consist of: (1) Three 105-foot-wide, 40-foot-high Large Frame Modules (LFM) each containing seven 860 kilowatt (kW) hydropower turbines for a total installed capacity of 18,060 kW; (2) a debris screen and fish screen placed upstream of the LFM; (3) a 50-foot-long tailrace; (4) a switchyard adjacent to the LFM installation and containing a new transformer and control room; (5) a 3.5-mile-long, 69 kilovolt transmission line connecting the generating power to the local grid using an existing substation; and (6) appurtenant facilities. The LFM would be installed upstream of the dam in a single row across the Mississippi River on the side of the river farthest away from the navigational lock. The LFM would be anchored to new pilings or a concrete gravity structure in the river bed. The project is estimated to generate 102,000 megawatt hours annually.

**Applicant Contact:** Mr. Wayne F. Krouse, Chairman, Hydro Green Energy, LLC, Managing Partner, Lock+™ Hydro Friends Fund XLVIII, PO Box 43796, Birmingham, AL 35243; phone: 877-556-6566, extension 709.

**FERC Contact:** Sergiu Serban, (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. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission's eFiling system at <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 at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-13809-002.

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-13809) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: June 30, 2015.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP15-495-000]

#### **Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Line 138 Abandonment and Lateral Construction Project, and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues**

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 Line 138 Abandonment and Lateral Construction Project involving abandonment, construction, and operation of facilities by Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC (Columbia) in Fayette and Somerset Counties, Pennsylvania; Preston County, West Virginia; and Garret County, Maryland. 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. You can make a difference by providing us with your specific comments or concerns about the project. Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. Your input will help the Commission staff determine what issues they need to evaluate in the EA. To ensure that your comments are timely and properly recorded, please send your comments so that the Commission receives them in Washington, DC on or before July 30, 2015.

If you sent comments on this project to the Commission before the opening of

this docket on May 20, 2015, you will need to file those comments in Docket No. CP15-495-000 to ensure they are considered as part of this proceeding.

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 has 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](http://www.ferc.gov)).

#### **Public Participation**

For your convenience, there are three methods you can use to submit your comments to the Commission. The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments and has expert staff available to assist you at (202) 502-8258 or [efiling@ferc.gov](mailto:efiling@ferc.gov). Please carefully follow these instructions so that your comments are properly recorded.

(1) You can file your comments electronically using the *eComment* feature on the Commission’s Web site ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)) under the link to *Documents and Filings*. This is an easy method for submitting brief, text-only comments on a project;

(2) You can file your comments electronically by using the *eFiling* feature on the Commission’s Web site ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)) under the link to *Documents and Filings*. With eFiling, you can provide comments in a variety of formats by attaching them as a file with your submission. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on “eRegister.” If you are filing a comment on a particular project,

please select “Comment on a Filing” as the filing type; or

(3) You can file a paper copy of your comments by mailing them to the following address. Be sure to reference the project docket number CP15-495-000 with your submission: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Room 1A Washington, DC 20426.

#### **Summary of the Proposed Project**

Columbia Gas proposes to abandon in place approximately 33 miles of 4-inch, 6-inch, 8-inch, 16-inch-diameter bare-steel pipeline and above ground appurtenances located on its existing Line 138 between in Fayette-Somerset Counties, Pennsylvania and Garrett County, Maryland. This section would be abandoned due to its age and condition. In addition, Columbia would construct approximately 150 feet of 2-inch-diameter pipe from its Line 1804/10240 right-of-way to the right-of-way of Line 138. Columbia would use the right-of-way of Line 138 to construct 3,350 feet of new 2-inch pipeline to connect with the Columbia of Pennsylvania Measuring Station in Somerset County, Pennsylvania to maintain service to the firm transportation customer.

Overall, the project would involve 115 separate areas of disturbance along Columbia’s Line 138 in Pennsylvania, Maryland, and West Virginia. The general location of the project facilities is shown in appendix 1.<sup>1</sup>

#### **Land Requirements for Construction**

The proposed abandonment would disturb about 6.23 acres and the proposed lateral construction would disturb 4.83 acres of land during construction, including the temporary construction right-of-way, access roads, and contractor yards/staging areas.

#### **The EA Process**

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impacts that could result from an action whenever it considers the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. NEPA also requires us<sup>2</sup> to discover and address concerns the public may have about proposals. This

<sup>1</sup> The appendices referenced in this notice will not appear in the **Federal Register**. Copies of appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail and are available at [www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov) using the link called “eLibrary” or from the Commission’s Public Reference Room, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426, or call (202) 502-8371. For instructions on connecting to eLibrary, refer to the last page of this notice.

<sup>2</sup> “We,” “us,” and “our” refer to the environmental staff of the Commission’s Office of Energy Projects.