

e. Name and Location of Project: Landis-Harde Hydroelectric Project located on Perry Creek, in El Dorado County, California.

f. *Filed Pursuant to:* Standard Article 16.

g. *Licensee Contact Information:* Mr. David O. Harde, 6540 Perry Creek Road, Somerset, California 95684, Phone: (530) 620-5629.

h. *FERC Contact:* Mr. Ashish Desai, (202) 502-8370, [Ashish.Desai@ferc.gov](mailto:Ashish.Desai@ferc.gov).

i. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene and protests, is 30 days from the issuance date of this notice. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene, protests, comments, and recommendations, 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-8722-018.

j. Description of Project Facilities: (1) A 4-foot-high, 42-foot-long reinforced concrete dam; (2) a 24-inch-diameter, 1,000-foot-long penstock; (3) a powerhouse containing a single generating unit with a rated capacity of 100 kW; and (4) a 500-foot-long tap connecting the project with an existing Pacific Gas and Electric Company 21-kv transmission line west of the powerhouse.

k. Description of Proceeding: The licensee is in violation of standard Article 16 of its license, issued on April 27, 1990 (51 FERC ¶ 61,088). Article 16 states in part: If the Licensee shall abandon or discontinue good faith operation of the project or refuse or neglect to comply with the terms of the license and the lawful orders of the Commission mailed to the record address of the Licensee or its agent, the Commission will deem it to be the intent of the Licensee to surrender the license.

Commission records indicate that the project has not been operational since 2006 when the licensee determined, that the project was no longer financially viable due to low water flows and high insurance rates. After several years of

correspondence regarding transferring the license to a third party and resuming project operation, the licensee has become non-responsive. Most recently, by letter dated September 1, 2015, the licensee informed the Commission of its intent to file a license transfer application shortly thereafter. The licensee did not file a transfer application. By letter dated September 4, 2015, Commission staff requested the licensee file documentation regarding the non-operational status of the project within 30 days. The licensee did not file the requested information. By letter dated October 27, 2015, the Commission ordered the licensee to file a plan and schedule to resume project operations or a transfer application within 30 days, and failure to do so would result in termination of the project license by implied surrender. The licensee has not filed a response.

1. This notice is available for review and reproduction at the Commission in the Public Reference Room, Room 2A, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. The filing may also be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the Docket number (P-8722-018) excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the notice. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3676 or email [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

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.

o. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents:* Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (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, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). All comments, motions to intervene, or protests should relate to project works which are the subject of the license surrender. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application. 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. 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.

Dated: December 11, 2015.

**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**  
*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP15-504-000]

#### **Dominion Carolina Gas Transmission; Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review of the Columbia to Eastover Project**

On May 29, 2015, Dominion Carolina Gas Transmission (Dominion) filed an application in Docket No. CP15-504-000 requesting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act to construct and operate certain natural gas pipeline facilities. The proposed project is known as the Columbia to Eastover Project (Project), and would provide 18,000 dekatherms per day of firm transportation service to the existing International Paper Plant in Eastover, South Carolina.

On June 12, 2015, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or

FERC) issued its Notice of Application for the Project. The notice informed agencies issuing federal authorizations of the requirement under EPCA 2005 section 313 to complete all necessary reviews and to reach a final decision on a request for a federal authorization within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Project. This Notice of Schedule identifies the Commission staff's planned schedule for the completion of the EA for the Project.

### Schedule for Environmental Review

Issuance of EA—February 19, 2016

90-day Federal Authorization Decision Deadline—May 19, 2016

If a schedule change becomes necessary, additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies are kept informed of the Project's progress.

### Project Description

For the Columbia to Eastover Project, Dominion would construct and operate approximately 28 miles of new 8-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline and new appurtenant facilities in Calhoun and Richland Counties, South Carolina.

### Background

On July 16, 2015, the Commission issued a *Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Columbia to Eastover Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues* (NOI). The NOI was sent to affected landowners; federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. The Commission received comments from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, South Carolina Department of Natural Resources, Friends of the Congaree Swamp, McEntire Joint National Guard Base, Richland County Conservation Commission, Congaree Riverkeeper, and several landowners including Beckham Swamp LLC, Belle Grove LLC, and St. Matthews Church. In addition to general opposition to the Project, we received requests for minor and major reroutes of the pipeline to utilize more existing utility rights-of-way and a reduction in number and length of access roads. The primary environmental issues raised by the commentors are potential impacts on the following resources: sensitive fish species, the Cowasee Basin, specific archaeological sites, local tree farms, and recreation areas.

### Additional Information

In order to receive notification of the issuance of the EA and to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries, and direct links to the documents. Go to [www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp](http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp).

Additional information about the Project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (866) 208-FERC or on the FERC Web site ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)). Using the "eLibrary" link, select "General Search" from the eLibrary menu, enter the selected date range and "Docket Number" excluding the last three digits (*i.e.*, CP15-504), and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to eLibrary, the helpline can be reached at (866) 208-3676, TTY (202) 502-8659, or at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov). The eLibrary link on the FERC Web site also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rule makings.

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**Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OW-2015-0668; 9940-23-OW]

### Notice of an Extension To Provide Information on Existing Programs That Protect Water Quality From Forest Road Discharges

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice; extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is extending the comment period for the notice, "Opportunity to Provide Information on Existing Programs that Protect Water Quality from Forest Road Discharges." In response to stakeholder requests, EPA is extending the comment period for an additional 32 days, from January 11, 2016, to February 12, 2016.

**DATES:** The comment period for the notice, that was published on November 10, 2015 (80 FR 69653), is extended. Comments must be received on or before February 12, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2015-0668, to the *Federal eRulemaking Portal*: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments. Once submitted, comments cannot be edited or removed from Regulations.gov. EPA may publish any comment received to its public docket. Do not submit electronically any information you consider to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Multimedia submissions (audio, video, etc.) must be accompanied by a written comment. The written comment is considered the official comment and should include discussion of all points you wish to make. EPA will generally not consider comments or comment contents located outside of the primary submission (*i.e.*, on the web, cloud, or other file sharing system). For additional submission methods, the full EPA public comment policy, information about CBI or multimedia submissions, and general guidance on making effective comments, please visit <http://www2.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets>.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Prasad Chumble, EPA Headquarters, Office of Water, Office of Wastewater Management via email at [chumble.prasad@epa.gov](mailto:chumble.prasad@epa.gov) or telephone at 202-564-0021.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On November 10, 2015 EPA published in the *Federal Register* (80 FR 69653) a request for information and comments on existing public and private sector programs that address stormwater discharges from forest roads. This information will assist EPA in responding to the remand in *Environmental Defense Center, Inc. v. U.S. EPA*, 344 F.2d 832 (9th Cir. 2003) that requires EPA to consider whether the Clean Water Act requires the Agency to regulate stormwater discharges from forest roads. EPA is considering the implementation, effectiveness, and scope of existing programs in addressing water quality impacts attributable to stormwater discharges from forest roads to assist in responding to the court's question. The Agency plans to assess a variety of existing programs, including federal, state, local, tribal, third party certifications, and combinations of these approaches, including voluntary best management practices (BMP)-based approaches. In preparing its response to the remand, EPA is coordinating with other federal agencies, and will assess whether any additional stormwater controls are called for, consistent with