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Dated: July 28, 2016.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

**[Docket No. CD16–17–000]**

**Elephant Butte Irrigation District; Notice of Preliminary Determination of a Qualifying Conduit Hydropower Facility and Soliciting Comments and Motions To Intervene**

On July 26, 2016, Elephant Butte Irrigation District filed a notice of intent

to construct a qualifying conduit hydropower facility, pursuant to section 30 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), as amended by section 4 of the Hydropower Regulatory Efficiency Act of 2013 (HREA). The proposed Drop 8 Facility would have an installed capacity of 40 kilowatts (kW), and would be located at the existing Drop 8 check structure of Elephant Butte Irrigation District’s Westside Irrigation Canal. The project would be located near La Mesa in Doña Ana County, New Mexico.

*Applicant Contact:* Gary L. Esslinger, Treasurer/Manager, Elephant Butte Irrigation District, 530 S. Melendres, Las Cruces, NM 88005, Phone No. (575) 526–6671.

*FERC Contact:* Christopher Chaney, Phone No. (202) 502–6778, email: [Christopher.Chaney@ferc.gov](mailto:Christopher.Chaney@ferc.gov).

*Qualifying Conduit Hydropower Facility Description:* The proposed project would consist of: (1) A drywell, approximately 23 feet by 13 feet, within the canal’s right bank; (2) two new turbine/generating units with a total installed capacity of 40 kW; (3) two 24-inch-diameter, 9-foot-long intake pipes; (4) one 48-inch-diameter, 120-foot-long raceway returning water to the Westside Irrigation Canal; and (5) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an estimated annual generating capacity of 230 megawatt-hours.

A qualifying conduit hydropower facility is one that is determined or deemed to meet all of the criteria shown in the table below.

TABLE 1—CRITERIA FOR QUALIFYING CONDUIT HYDROPOWER FACILITY

Statutory Provision	Description	Satisfies (Y/N)
FPA 30(a)(3)(A), as amended by HREA.	The conduit the facility uses is a tunnel, canal, pipeline, aqueduct, flume, ditch, or similar manmade water conveyance that is operated for the distribution of water for agricultural, municipal, or industrial consumption and not primarily for the generation of electricity.	Y
FPA 30(a)(3)(C)(i), as amended by HREA.	The facility is constructed, operated, or maintained for the generation of electric power and uses for such generation only the hydroelectric potential of a non-federally owned conduit.	Y
FPA 30(a)(3)(C)(ii), as amended by HREA.	The facility has an installed capacity that does not exceed 5 megawatts .....	Y
FPA 30(a)(3)(C)(iii), as amended by HREA.	On or before August 9, 2013, the facility is not licensed, or exempted from the licensing requirements of Part I of the FPA.	Y

<sup>1</sup> 18 CFR 385.2001–2005 (2015).

**Preliminary Determination:** The proposed addition of the hydroelectric project along the existing irrigation canal will not alter its primary purpose. Therefore, based upon the above criteria, Commission staff preliminarily determines that the proposal satisfies the requirements for a qualifying conduit hydropower facility, which is not required to be licensed or exempted from licensing.

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**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[Petitions IV-2014-5 and -6; FRL-9950-17-Region 4]

### Clean Air Act Operating Permit Program; Petitions for Objection to State Operating Permits for ABC Coke and Walter Coke (Jefferson County, Alabama)

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

**ACTION:** Notice of final order on petitions to object to state operating permits.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator signed an Order, dated July 15, 2016, denying petitions to object to Clean Air Act (CAA) title V operating permits issued by the Jefferson County Department of Health (JCDH) to ABC Coke for its facility located in Tarrant and Walter Coke for its facility located in North Birmingham, both in Jefferson County, Alabama. This Order constitutes a final action on the petitions submitted by Gasp (Petitioner) and received by EPA on October 3, 2014, and December 2, 2014, respectively.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the Order, the petitions, and all pertinent information relating thereto are on file at the following location: EPA Region 4; Air, Pesticides and Toxics Management Division; 61 Forsyth Street SW., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-8960. The Order is also available electronically at the following

address: [https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-07/documents/gasp\\_response2014.pdf](https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2016-07/documents/gasp_response2014.pdf).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Art Hofmeister, Air Permits Section, EPA Region 4, at (404) 562-9115 or [hofmeister.art@epa.gov](mailto:hofmeister.art@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The CAA affords EPA a 45-day period to review and, as appropriate, the authority to object to operating permits proposed by state permitting authorities under title V of the CAA, 42 U.S.C. 7661-7661f. Section 505(b)(2) of the CAA and 40 CFR 70.8(d) authorize any person to petition the EPA Administrator to object to a title V operating permit within 60 days after the expiration of EPA's 45-day review period if EPA has not objected on its own initiative. Petitions must be based only on objections to the permit that were raised with reasonable specificity during the public comment period provided by the state, unless the petitioner demonstrates that it was impracticable to raise these issues during the comment period or the grounds for the issues arose after this period. Pursuant to sections 307(b) and 505(b)(2) of the CAA, a petition for judicial review of those parts of the Order that deny issues in the petition may be filed in the United States Court of Appeals for the appropriate circuit within 60 days from the date this notice is published in the **Federal Register**.

Petitioners submitted petitions regarding the aforementioned ABC Coke and Walter Coke facilities, requesting that EPA object to the CAA title V operating permits (#4-07-0001-03 and 4-07-0355-03, respectively). Petitioner alleged that the permits were not consistent with the CAA because: (1) They lack the conditions necessary to assure compliance with the general prohibition against "air pollution"; (2) they contain conditions governing fugitive dust that are too vague or too restrictive; and (3) JCDH failed to provide Petitioner with sufficient emissions information to participate meaningfully in the permitting process with respect to Walter Coke.

On July 15, 2016, the Administrator issued an Order denying the petitions. The Order explains EPA's rationale for denying the petitions.

Dated: July 26, 2016.

**Heather McTeer Toney,**

Regional Administrator, Region 4.

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<sup>1</sup> 18 CFR 385.2001-2005 (2015).