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Dated: December 11, 2017.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 5891-009]

#### **Deschutes Valley Water District; Notice of Revised Application Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests, Comments, Recommendations, Terms and Conditions, and Fishway Prescriptions**

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

- a. *Application Type*: Revised Amendment Application.
- b. *Project No.*: 5891-009.
- c. *Date Filed*: October 31, 2017.
- d. *Applicant*: Deschutes Valley Water District (licensee).
- e. *Name of Project*: Opal Springs Hydroelectric Project.
- f. *Location*: The project is located on the Crooked River in Jefferson County, Oregon.
- g. *Filed Pursuant to*: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(f).
- h. *Applicant Contact*: Edson Pugh, General Manager, Deschutes Valley Water District, 881 SW Culver Highway, Madras, Oregon 97741; telephone (541) 475-3849; email [edson@dvwd.org](mailto:edson@dvwd.org).
- i. *FERC Contact*: Jennifer Ambler; telephone: (202) 502-8586; email address: [jennifer.ambler@ferc.gov](mailto:jennifer.ambler@ferc.gov).
- j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests, comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, and fishway prescriptions is 30 days from the issuance date of this notice by the Commission.

All documents may be filed electronically via the internet. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene, protests, comments, recommendations, terms and conditions and fishway prescriptions 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-5891-009.

k. *Description of Request*: On October 8, 2015, the licensee filed an application to amend its license and install fish passage facilities at the project. Public notice of the application was issued November 5, 2015. That application was placed in abeyance on December 21, 2016. The licensee's October 31, 2017 filing of its revised amendment application lifts the abeyance. Therefore, Commission staff notices the licensee's revised amendment application.

The licensee proposes to construct upstream fish passage facilities on the east bank of the dam and to modify the existing spillway to improve downstream fish passage. To accommodate the proposed modifications, the licensee would raise the project's normal maximum reservoir elevation by 3 feet and would replace the current flashboard system with a fixed wooden flashboard section along with one inflatable weir to attain the proposed higher reservoir elevation. The licensee states that the amendment is necessary to facilitate the reintroduction of steelhead trout and Chinook salmon. Revisions to the licensee's original application include a reduction in the proposed normal maximum pool elevation increase from 6 feet to 3 feet, a modified forebay elevation range for fish ladder operation, a single fish ladder exit, and the use of one gate for downstream fish passage.

l. *Locations of the Application*: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the

Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. 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 1-866-208-3676 or email [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.

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. The revised application remains a part of the original proceeding; therefore, interveners to the original proceeding need not refile intervention motions.

o. *Filing and Service of Responsive Documents*: All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title PROTEST, MOTION TO INTERVENE, COMMENTS, RECOMMENDATIONS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS, or FISHWAY PRESCRIPTIONS; (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, recommendations, terms and conditions or prescriptions must set forth their evidentiary basis and otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 4.34(b). All comments, recommendations, terms and conditions, or prescriptions should relate to the proposed amendment application and fish passage operation

plan. 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 intervener 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 12, 2017.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL18-47-000]

#### Alabama Municipal Electric Authority; Notice of Petition for Partial Waiver

Take notice that on December 11, 2017, pursuant to section 292.402 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules and Regulations,<sup>1</sup> 18 CFR 292.402(2017), Alabama Municipal Electric Authority (AMEA), on behalf of itself and its participating member municipal cities (Participating Members), request a partial waiver of certain obligations imposed on AMEA and its Participating Members, through the Commission's regulations<sup>2</sup> implementing section 210 of the Public Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, as amended, all as more fully explained in its petition.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. Anyone filing a motion

to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant.

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This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the eLibrary link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an eSubscription link on the website that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on January 2, 2018.

Dated: December 11, 2017.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP18-22-000]

#### Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

Take notice that on December 1, 2017, Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC (Columbia Gas), 700 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas 77002, filed in Docket No. CP18-22-000 a prior notice request pursuant to sections 157.205, 157.208, and 157.216 of the Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act for authorization to replace two segments of its existing 10-inch-diameter bare steel natural gas pipeline Line O-731, totaling 7.64 miles, and to perform other related appurtenant activities, all located in Coshocton and Muskingum Counties, Ohio. Columbia Gas proposes to construct these facilities under authorities granted by its blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83-76-000, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection. The filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the eLibrary link.

Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or TTY, contact (202) 502-8659.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Linda Farquhar, Manager, Project Determinations and Regulatory Administration, Columbia Gas Transmission, LLC, 700 Louisiana Street, Suite 700, Houston, Texas 77002, at (832) 320-56855 or by email at [linda\\_farquhar@transcanada.com](mailto:linda_farquhar@transcanada.com).

Pursuant to section 157.9 of the Commission's rules, 18 CFR 157.9, within 90 days of this Notice the Commission staff will either: Complete its environmental assessment (EA) and place it into the Commission's public record (eLibrary) for this proceeding; or issue a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review. If a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review is issued, it will indicate, among other milestones, the anticipated date for the Commission staff's issuance of the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) or EA for this proposal. The filing of the EA in the Commission's public record for this proceeding or the issuance of a Notice of Schedule for Environmental Review will serve to notify federal and state agencies of the timing for the completion of all necessary reviews, and the subsequent need to complete all federal authorizations within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's FEIS or EA.

Persons who wish to comment only on the environmental review of this project should submit an original and two copies of their comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Environmental commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of the environmental documents, and will be notified of meetings associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Environmental commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, the non-party commenter will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission (except for the mailing of environmental documents issued by the Commission) and will not have the right to seek court review of the Commission's final order.

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<sup>1</sup> 18 CFR 292.402.

<sup>2</sup> 18 CFR 292.303(a) and 292.303(b).