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[Project No. 2727–000]

Black Bear Hydro Partners, LLC.; Notice of Authorization for Continued Project Operation

On December 30, 2015, Black Bear Hydro Partners, LLC., licensee for the Ellsworth Hydroelectric Project, filed an Application for a New License pursuant to the Federal Power Act (FPA) and the Commission’s regulations thereunder. The Ellsworth Hydroelectric Project facility is located on the Union River in Hancock County, Maine.

The license for Project No. 2727 was issued for a period ending December 31, 2017. Section 15(a)(1) of the FPA, 16 U.S.C. 808(a)(1), requires the Commission, at the expiration of a license term, to issue from year-to-year an annual license to the then licensee under the terms and conditions of the prior license until a new license is issued, or the project is otherwise disposed of as provided in section 15 or any other applicable section of the FPA. If the project’s prior license waived the applicability of section 15 of the FPA, then, based on section 9(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 558(c), and as set forth at 18 CFR 16.21(a), if the licensee of such project has filed an application for a subsequent license, the licensee may continue to operate the project in accordance with the terms and conditions of the license after the minor or minor part license expires, until the Commission acts on its application. If the licensee of such a project has not filed an application for a subsequent license, then it may be required, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.21(b), to continue project operations until the Commission issues someone else a license for the project or otherwise orders disposition of the project.

If the project is subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that an annual license for Project No. 2727 is issued to the licensee for a period effective January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 or until the issuance of a new license for the project or other disposition under the FPA, whichever comes first. If issuance of a new license (or other disposition) does not take place on or before December 31, 2018, notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 18 CFR 16.18(c), an annual license under section 15(a)(1) of the FPA is renewed automatically without further order or notice by the Commission, unless the Commission orders otherwise.

If the project is not subject to section 15 of the FPA, notice is hereby given that the licensee, Black Bear Hydro Partners, LLC., is authorized to continue operation of the Ellsworth Hydroelectric Project, until such time as the Commission acts on its application for a subsequent license.


Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.

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[Project No. 3342–022]

Briar Hydro Associates; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing, Soliciting Comments, Protests and Motions To Intervene

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

a. Type of Proceeding: Extension of License Term.

b. Project No.: P–3342–022.

c. Date Filed: January 9, 2018.

d. Licensee: Briar Hydro Associates.

e. Names and Locations of Project:
Penacook Lower Falls Hydroelectric Project No. 3342, located on the Contoocook River, in Merrimack County, New Hampshire.


g. Licensee Contact Information:
Andrew J. Locke, Briar Hydro Associates, c/o Essex Hydro Associates, LLC, 55 Union Street, Boston, MA 02108; Telephone: (617) 367–0032; Email: alocke@essexhydro.com.
h. FERC Contact: Mr. Ashish Desai, (202) 502–8370, Ashish.Desai@ferc.gov.  
  1. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene and protests, is 30 days from the issuance date of this notice by the Commission. 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, (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 the docket number P–3342–022.  
  2. Description of Proceeding: The licensee, Briar Hydro Associates, LLC, requests that the Commission extend the license term for its Penacook Lower Falls Project No. 3342, approximately 2 years, from October 31, 2022 to November 30, 2024, to synchronize the license expiration date with the licensee’s two other projects, so that they can be relicensed concurrently. The licensee’s other two projects, the Penacook Upper Falls Project No. 6689 and the Rolfe Canal Project No. 3240, have licenses that expire on November 30, 2024 and all three projects are located on the Contoocook River.  
  The licensee states that extending the license terms for the project would allow for better coordination during relicensing of all of its projects. The licensee’s request includes correspondence from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Marine Fisheries Service supporting the license extension. The licensee has filed a Notice of Intent and Pre-Application Document for applying for a new license for the project which the licensee states they will withdraw should the license extension be granted.  
  k. 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 website at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/edocket.asp. Enter the Docket number (P–3342–022) excluding the three digits in the docket number field to access the notice. You may also register online at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/subscription.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. For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.  
  1. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission’s mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.  
  m. 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, and .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.  
  n. 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 the request for the extension of the license term. 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.

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[Friendwood Energy Genco, LLC, EG18–1–000; NTE Carolinas II, LLC, EG18–2–000; Bladen Solar, LLC, EG18–3–000; Bullock Solar, LLC, EG18–4–000; Voyager Wind II, LLC, EG18–5–000; PowerFin ASL 1, LLC, EG18–6–000; PowerFin SolarMundo, LLC, EG18–7–000; 54KR 8me LLC, EG18–8–000; Capricorn Bell Interconnection, LLC, EG18–9–000; CXA La Paloma, LLC, EG18–10–000; APV Renaissance Opco, LLC, EG18–11–000; EGP Stillwater Solar PV II, LLC, EG18–12–000; EGP Stillwater Solar, LLC, EG18–13–000] Notice of Effectiveness of Exempt Wholesale Generator Status

Take notice that during the month of December 2017, the status of the above-captioned entities as Exempt Wholesale Generators became effective by operation of the Commission’s regulations. 18 CFR 366.7(a) (2017).

Dated: January 22, 2018.

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.

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FEDERAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS ADVISORY BOARD

Notice of Request for Candidates To Serve as Non-Federal Members of the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board

AGENCY: Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board.

ACTION: Notice.

Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3511(d), the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), as amended, and the FASAB Rules of Procedure, as amended in October 2010, notice is hereby given that the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB) is currently seeking candidates (candidates must not currently be federal employees) to serve as non-federal members of FASAB. FASAB is the body designated to establish generally accepted accounting principles for federal government entities. Generally, non-Federal Board members are selected from the general financial community, the accounting