

Comments: Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the collections of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden and cost of the collections of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collections; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collections of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Dated: September 9, 2021.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 5596-020]

Town of Bedford, Virginia; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions To Intervene and Protests

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

a. *Type of Application:* New Major License.

b. *Project No.:* 5596-020.

c. *Date filed:* April 30, 2021.

d. *Applicant:* Town of Bedford, Virginia.

e. *Name of Project:* Bedford Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the James River in the town of Bedford in Bedford and Amherst counties, Virginia. The project does not affect federal land.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* M. Scott Salmon, Electric Systems Engineer, Town of Bedford Electric Department,

changes in the last few years as identified by the NERC registry.

⁸ While we are using the average hourly rate for the majority of the calculations, all recordkeeping tasks are solely completed by a file clerk at \$35.83/hour.

⁹ As noted, the zeroes for respondents and responses in the table are based on having no filings of this type over the past four years.

¹⁰ ATC-related standards include: Implementation by each utility (Reporting), NERC/NAESB Team to develop (Reporting), and Review and comment by utility (Reporting).

877 Monroe Street, Bedford, Virginia 24523; (540) 587-6079 or msalmon@bedfordva.gov.

i. *FERC Contact:* Andy Bernick at (202) 502-8660, or andrew.bernick@ferc.gov.

j. *Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests:* 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene and protests using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. 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, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. All filings must clearly identify the project name and docket number on the first page: Bedford Hydroelectric Project (P-5596-020).

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, 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.

k. This application has been accepted but is not ready for environmental analysis.

l. The current license for the Bedford Hydroelectric Project (Bedford Project) authorizes the following project facilities: (1) A 9- to 17-foot-high concrete gravity dam with a 1,680-foot-long concrete spillway; (2) a 57-acre impoundment with a storage capacity of 350 acre-feet at the normal maximum water surface elevation of 628.0 feet above mean sea level; (3) a 1,200-foot-long, 180-foot-wide, 16-foot-deep power canal; (4) a power canal headgate composed of three 21.6-foot-wide, 15.9-foot-high steel gates; (5) a 49.1-foot-wide, 29.02-foot-high steel trashrack with a clear bar spacing of 3.5-inches; (6) a 55-foot-long, 80-foot-wide powerhouse; (7) a 65-foot-long, 120-foot-wide tailrace; (8) two 2.5-megawatt (MW) turbine-generator units with a total capacity of 5.0 MW; (9) a 110-foot-

long, 2.4-kilovolt (kV) generator lead, and a 180-foot-long, 4.16-kV generator lead; (10) two 2.4/22.9-kV, 0.600-megavolt-ampere (MVA) three-phase step-up transformers, and two 4.16/22.9-kV, 3.75 MVA three-phase step-up transformers; (11) a 2,800-foot-long, 33.9-kilovolt primary transmission line; and (12) appurtenant facilities.

The Town of Bedford's proposed project facilities would revise the project's electrical infrastructure to include a 4.0-kilovolt, 120-foot-long underground transmission line from the powerhouse to the project substation; and two 3.75-megavolt-ampere step-up transformers. In addition, the Town of Bedford proposes to remove the 2,800-foot-long transmission line as it is no longer the project's primary transmission line.

The Bedford Project is operated in run-of-river mode. The average annual generation is estimated to be 1,114.75 megawatt-hours.

m. In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested individuals an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (www.ferc.gov) using the "eLibrary" link. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to the Commission's Public Access Room due to the proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), issued by the President on March 13, 2020. For assistance, contact FERC at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (866) 208-3676 or TTY, (202) 502-8659.

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, contact FERC Online Support.

n. Anyone may submit a protest or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, and 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests 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 protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST" or "MOTION TO INTERVENE;" (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. 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.

o. *Procedural schedule:* The application will be processed according to the following schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Scoping Document 1 for

comments—January 2022

Request Additional Information (if

necessary)—February 2022

Issue Scoping Document 2 (if

necessary)—March 2022

Issue Notice of Ready for Environmental

Analysis—October 2022

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Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2514-205]

Appalachian Power Company; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Protests

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

a. *Type of Application:* Request for a temporary amendment of the reservoir elevation requirement at the Byllesby development.

b. *Project No.:* 2514-205.

c. *Date Filed:* September 3, 2021.

d. *Applicant:* Appalachian Power Company.

e. *Name of Project:* Byllesby and Buck

Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* The project is located on the New River in Carroll County,

Virginia.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Federal Power

Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a)-825(r).

h. *Applicant Contact:* Mr. Edward S. Brennan, Plant Environmental Coordinator Principal, Appalachian Power, P.O. Box 2021, Roanoke, VA 24022, (540) 985-2984.

i. *FERC Contact:* Mr. Steven Sachs, (202) 502-8666, Steven.Sachs@ferc.gov.

j. *Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests is 30 days from the issuance of this notice by the Commission. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, and protests 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/doc-sfiling/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, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, MD 20852. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-2514-205.*

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenor filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person on the official service list for the project. Further, 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.

k. *Description of Request:* The applicant intends to draw down the reservoir at the Byllesby development to 2,071 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum, approximately 7 feet below the normal minimum reservoir elevation, to allow for intake screen repairs. The applicant plans to begin the drawdown on October 15, 2021, and to return the reservoir to the normal elevation by December 31, 2021. The applicant would close the Byllesby public boat access and the Byllesby portage during the duration of the drawdown, and would notify the public of these closings via local media and signage.

l. In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this document via the internet through the

Commission's Home Page (<http://ferc.gov>) using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to the Commission's Public Reference Room, due to the proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), issued by the President on March 13, 2020. For assistance, contact FERC at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (866) 208-3676 or TYY, (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, Motions to Intervene, or Protests:* Anyone may submit comments, a motion to intervene, or a protest 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, motions to intervene, or protests 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", "MOTION TO INTERVENE", or "PROTEST" as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number(s) of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person intervening or protesting; 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. 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 385.2010.

Dated: September 9, 2021.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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