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*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2287-053]

#### Central Rivers Power, NH LLC; Notice of Availability of Final Environmental Assessment

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR part 380, the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the application for license for the J. Brodie Smith Hydroelectric Project, located on the Androscoggin River in Coos County, New Hampshire and has prepared a Final Environmental Assessment (FEA) for the project. No federal land is occupied by project works or located within the project boundary.

The FEA contains staff's analysis of the potential environmental impacts of the project and concludes that licensing the project, with appropriate environmental protective measures, would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

The Commission provides all interested persons with an opportunity to view and/or print the FEA via the internet through the Commission's Home Page (<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

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Any questions regarding this notice may be directed to Ryan Hansen at (202) 502-8074 or *ryan.hansen@ferc.gov*.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 15358-000]

#### Low Head Hydro M 21, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On May 29, 2024, Low Head Hydro-M 21, LLC filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the proposed Mississippi Locks and Dam 21 Hydroelectric Project, a hydropower project proposed to be located at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) Mississippi Lock and Dam 21, located on the Mississippi River, in Adams County, Illinois and Marion County, Missouri. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed Mississippi Locks and Dam 21 Hydroelectric Project would consist of the following: (1) a new hydropower structure located approximately 100 feet downstream of the existing Corps submersible dam, connected to the west side of the dam via a new proposed access road; (2) thirty Very Low Head (VLH) turbine-generator units located in concrete channels (turbine bays) within the hydropower structure, each rated with a

capacity of 500 kilowatts providing a total rated capacity of 15 megawatts; (3) a new unlined earth intake channel located upstream of the powerhouse which will convey flow from the upper pool to the turbine bays; (4) a 150-foot-long guide wall proposed on both sides of the new intake channel; (5) a new unlined earth excavated tailrace with stone riprap proposed to be 300-foot-wide and 300-foot-long; (6) a 150-foot-long guide wall proposed on both sides of the new tailrace channel; (7) a new 14-foot-wide concrete deck proposed to connect the approach dam on the west side to the existing Corps operation yard on the east; and (8) a control building and substation on the west river bank connecting the transmission line to an interconnection point. The proposed project would have an estimated annual generation of 71,400 megawatt-hours.

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Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36.

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