

in Amite, Franklin, Hinds, Copiah, and Madison Counties, Mississippi. The project area will be inspected by automobile and on foot, as appropriate. Representatives of Texas Eastern will accompany the OEP staff. All interested parties may attend. Those planning to attend must provide their own transportation. Contact the Commission's Office of External Affairs at 1-866-208-FERC if you are interested in attending the visit.

#### Becoming an Intervenor

In addition to involvement in the EA scoping process, you may want to become an official party to the proceeding known as an "intervenor". Intervenor play a more formal role in the process. Among other things, intervenors have the right to receive copies of case-related Commission documents and filings by other intervenors. Likewise, each intervenor must provide 14 copies of its filings to the Secretary of the Commission and must send a copy of its filings to all other parties on the Commission's service list for this proceeding. If you want to become an intervenor you must file a motion to intervene according to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214) (see Appendix 2).<sup>4</sup> Only intervenors have the right to seek rehearing of the Commission's decision.

Affected landowners and parties with environmental concerns may be granted intervenor status upon showing good cause by stating that they have a clear and direct interest in this proceeding which would not be adequately represented by any other parties. You do not need intervenor status to have your environmental comments considered.

#### Environmental Mailing List

This notice is being sent to individuals, organizations, and government entities interested in and/or potentially affected by the proposed project. It is also being sent to all identified potential right-of-way grantors. By this notice we are also asking governmental agencies, especially those in Appendix 3, to express their interest in becoming cooperating agencies for the preparation of the EA.

#### Additional Information

Additional information about the proposed project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at (202) 208-1088 (direct line) or you can call the FERC operator at 1-800-847-8885 and ask for External Affairs. Information is also available on the FERC website (<http://www.ferc.gov>)

using the "RIMS" link to information in this docket number. Click on the "RIMS" link, select "Docket #" from the RIMS Menu, and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to RIMS, the RIMS helpline can be reached at (202) 208-2222.<sup>4</sup>

Similarly, the "CIPS" link on the FERC Internet website provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings. From the FERC Internet website, click on the "CIPS" link, select "Docket #" from the CIPS menu, and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to CIPS, the CIPS helpline can be reached at (202) 208-2222.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

#### Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission and Soliciting Additional Study Requests

June 25, 2002.

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

b. *Project No.:* P-12187-000.

c. *Date Filed:* June 3, 2002.

d. *Applicant:* Price Dam Partnership, Limited.

e. *Name of Project:* Price Dam Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Mississippi River, in the city of Alton, Wood River Township, Madison County, Illinois. The project would be constructed on the U.S. Corps of Engineers (Corps) Melvin Price Locks & Dam and the nearby Illinois shoreline of the Mississippi River and would affect 7.8 acres of federal lands (including Federal Corps property between Piers 1 to 11 at the dam and a portion of the Illinois shoreline for the transmission line).

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* James B. Price, W.V. Hydro, Inc., P.O. Box 903, Gatlinburg, TN 37738, (865) 436-0402, or jimprice@atlantic.net.

i. *FERC Contact:* Lee Emery (202) 219-2778 or lee.emery@FERC.fed.us.

j. *Cooperating agencies:* We are asking Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special

expertise with respect to environmental issues to cooperate with us in the preparation of the environmental document. Agencies who would like to request cooperating status should follow the instructions for filing comments described in item k below.

k. *Deadline for filing additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status:* July 30, 2002.

All documents (original and eight copies) should be filed with: Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper; see 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site under the "e-Filing" link.

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.

Additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site (<http://www.ferc.gov>) under the "e-Filing" link.

l. This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

m. *Description of Project:* The proposed Price Dam Project would use the Melvin Price Locks & Dam and reservoir, and would consist of the following facilities: (1) 192 portable, turbine/generator units grouped in six steel modules 108.9 feet long by 26.2 feet wide by 44.0 feet high, (a) each module contains 32 turbine/generator sets (two horizontal rows of 16 units each) installed in six stoplog slots on adjacent piers upstream from the nine existing Taintor gate bays in the dam, and (b) each turbine/generator unit includes a 550 kilowatt bulb-type generator, a fixed-blade propeller turbine, and a single draft tube for each two turbine/generating units; (2) six flexible power cables, each connecting the six, 32 turbine/generator sets to six 7.2 kilovolt (kV) transformer and breaker sets on an adjacent pier; (3) lifting access columns at the end of each module; (4) six air-operated spillway gates, 7 feet high by 96 feet long, installed on top of each module with each gate containing an inflatable rubber

<sup>4</sup> Interventions may also be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See the previous discussion on filing comments electronically.

bladder; (5) a hallway housing the station service transformer, motor control center, and control system; (8) a slave terminal at the lockmaster's office and a control station located on the dam superstructure; (9) a 6.9-kV/138-kV step-up transformer located on a platform on the dam axis at elevation 479 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum; (10) a mobile, 1,000 metric ton crane with an auxiliary crane riding on top of the module crane; these cranes would lower and raise the power modules and operate the trash rake; (11) a fish bypass assembly with a two-inch clear spacing between the bars, and a crane-operated trash rake; (13) a 500-kilowatt generator; (14) a 0.9-mile-long, 138-kV transmission line connecting the project power to the Mississippi Substation of Ameren, Incorporated; (15) an auxiliary building; and (16) appurtenant facilities. The average annual generation is estimated to be 319,000 megawatt-hours. All generated power would be sold to a local utility connected to the grid.

n. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the *ILLINOIS HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER (SHPO)*, as required by § 106, National Historic Preservation Act, and the regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR 800.4.

o. A copy of the application is on file with the Commission and is available for public inspection. This filing may also be viewed on the web at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "RIMS" link—select "Docket #" and follow the instructions (call 202-208-2222 for assistance). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

p. Pursuant to Section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later July 30, 2002, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

q. *Procedural schedule:* The application will be processed according to the following milestones, some of which may be combined to expedite processing.

Notice of application has been accepted for filing

Notice of NEPA Scoping (unless scoping has already occurred)

Notice of application is ready for environmental analysis

Notice of the availability of the draft NEPA document

Notice of the availability of the final NEPA document

Order issuing the Commission's decision on the application

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket Nos. CP02-90-000, CP02-91-000, CP02-92-000, and CP02-93-000]

#### AES Ocean Express, LLC; Notice of Technical Conference

June 25, 2002.

AES Ocean Express, LLC (Ocean Express) seeks authorization, pursuant to Sections 3 and 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA), to construct and operate a new pipeline to import gas from the Bahamas into Florida. The proposed route for the new pipeline traverses the Naval Surface Warfare Center's South Florida Testing Facility, located in waters off the coast of Broward County, Florida. The Navy has objected to this proposed routing, contending the pipeline as planned would interfere with the operational capabilities of the area's existing in-water laboratory and measurement facilities. Ocean Express has yet to present mitigation measures or route alternatives acceptable to the Navy.

Take notice that a technical conference to discuss issues raised by proposed pipeline's routing will be held on Tuesday, July 23, 2002, at 10:00 a.m., in a room to be designated at the offices of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC, 20426. Parties to this proceeding and interested local, state, and federal agencies that are not parties, but that share jurisdiction or regulatory responsibilities over matters that may pertain to the proposed pipeline routing, will be permitted to attend. In view of the nature of national security issues expected to be discussed, the conference will not be open to the public.

Any party or authorized agency representative who is planning to attend the conference must notify the Commission Staff before 5 p.m. EST, Thursday, July 18, 2002. Please notify Mr. Richard Foley, Office of Energy Projects, Room 6N-07, in writing, or by calling (leave a message) at (202) 208-

2245, or by e-mail to [Richard.Foley@ferc.gov](mailto:Richard.Foley@ferc.gov). If any local, state, or federal authorized agency representative is unable to attend, but wishes to participate via teleconferencing, please so indicate. Teleconferencing details will be provided later, when secure communications are assured.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2000-036]

#### New York Power Authority; Notice Modifying a Restricted Service List for Comments on a Programmatic Agreement for Management Properties Included in or Eligible for Inclusion in the National Register of Historical Places

June 25, 2002.

On April 14, 2000, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) issued a notice for the St. Lawrence-FDR Power Project proposing to establish a restricted service list for the purpose of developing and executing a Programmatic Agreement (PA) for managing properties included in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. On June 5, 2000, the restricted service list was modified to include the Department of the Interior (Interior). On August 2, 2001, the restricted service list was modified to: (1) Change the address for Mr. Thomas Tatham; (2) change the contact for the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe; (3) change the contact for Interior; and (4) delete Mr. Robert Dean. The St. Lawrence-FDR Power Project is located on the St. Lawrence River, in St. Lawrence County, New York. The New York Power Authority is the licensee.

Rule 2010 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure provides that, to eliminate unnecessary expense or improve administrative efficiency, the Secretary may establish a restricted service list for a particular phase or issue in a proceeding.<sup>1</sup> The restricted service list should contain the names of persons on the service list who, in the judgment of the decisional authority establishing the list, are active participants with respect to the phase or issue in the proceeding for which the

<sup>1</sup> 18 CFR 385.2010