Act, and section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

- m. Hydro Green filed Pre-Application Documents (PAD) for each proposed project, including a proposed process plan and schedule with the Commission, pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.
- n. A copy of the PAD is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site (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, contact FERC Online Support at FERCONlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1-(866) 208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available
- o. Register online at http:// www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ esubscription.asp to be notified via email of new filing and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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Dated: October 21, 2011.

address in paragraph h.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 9842-004]

Notice of Intent To File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, and Approving Use of the Traditional Licensing Process/ Alternative Licensing Procedures; Raymond F. Ward

- a. Type of Filing: Notice of Intent to File License Application and Request to Use the Traditional Licensing Process Procedures.
 - b. Project No.: 9842-004.
 - c. Date Filed: August 31, 2011.
 - d. Submitted By: Raymond F. Ward.
- e. Name of Project: Ward Mill Dam
- f. Location: On the Watauga River, in Watauga County, North Carolina. The project does not occupy any federal
- g. Filed Pursuant to: 18 CFR 5.3 of the Commission's regulations.
- h. Applicant Contact: Andrew C. Givens, Cardinal Energy service, Inc., 620 N. West St., Suite 103, Raleigh, NC

27603; (919) 834-0909; emailacgivens@cardinalenergv.com.

- i. FERC Contact: Michael Spencer at (202) 502-6093; or email at michael.spencer@ferc.gov.
- j. Raymond F. Ward filed his request to use the Traditional Licensing Process Procedures on August 31, 2011. Raymond F. Ward provided proof of the public notice of its request on October 6, 2011. In a letter dated October 21, 2011, the Director of the Division of Hydropower Licensing approved Raymond F. Ward's request to use the Traditional Licensing Process.
- k. With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with: (a) The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR Part 402; (b) NOAA Fisheries under section 305(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and implementing regulations at 50 CFR 600.920; and (c) the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by section 106, National Historical Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.
- l. Raymond F. Ward filed a Pre-Application Document (PAD; including a proposed process plan and schedule) with the Commission, pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.
- m. A copy of the PAD is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site (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, contact FERC Online Support at

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- n. The licensee states its unequivocal intent to submit an application for a new license for Project No. 9842. Pursuant to 18 CFR 16.8, 16.9, and 16.10, each application for a new license and any competing license applications must be filed with the Commission at least 24 months prior to the expiration of the existing license. All applications for license for this project must be filed by August 31,
- o. Register online at http:// www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ esubscription.asp to be notified via email of new filing and issuances related to this or other pending projects.

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Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13234-002]

City and Borough of Sitka, AK; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and **Competing Applications**

On September 1, 2011, and supplemented on October 17, 2011, the City and Borough of Sitka 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 Takatz Lake Hydroelectric Project (Takatz Lake Project) to be located on Takatz Lake and Takatz Creek, about 21 miles east of the city of Sitka, Alaska, on the east side of Baranof Island. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit 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 landdisturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed Takatz Lake Project would consist of the following new facilities: (1) A 200-foot-high by 250foot-long primary concrete dam that would raise the elevation of the existing lake; (2) a 63-foot-high by 100-foot-long secondary saddle dam; (3) an impoundment with a 740-acre surface area at a full pool elevation of 1,040 feet above mean sea level, with an active capacity of 82,400 acre feet; (4) a 2,800foot-long, 6.5-foot by 7-foot horseshoetunnel power conduit fed by a concrete intake structure or lake tap; (5) a 72inch-diameter 1,000-foot-long steel penstock; (6) a 120-foot-long by 80-footwide powerhouse containing two Francis-type generation units having a total installed capacity of 27.7 megawatts; (7) a 100-foot-long by 70foot-wide switchyard; (8) an about 26mile-long, 138-kilovolt transmission line that consists of underground and overhead segments, including an alternative for a submarine segment; (9) an about 3-mile-long access road; and (10) appurtenant facilities. The

estimated annual generation output for the project would be 106.9 gigawatthours.

Applicant Contact: Mr. Christopher Brewton, Utility Director, Electric Department, City and Borough of Sitka, Alaska, 105 Jarvis Street, Sitka, AK 99835; Phone (907) 747–1870.

FERC Contact: Joseph Adamson; Phone: (202) 502–8085.

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. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site 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 or toll free at 1-(866) 208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P–13234) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: October 21, 2011.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14295-000]

Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications; Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County, WA

On September 28, 2011, Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County 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 Sunset Falls Hydroelectric Project to be located on the South Fork Skykomish River near Index in Snohomish County, Washington. 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 owner's express permission.

The proposed project will consist of the construction of the following: (1) A 140-foot-wide, 45-foot-high v-screen intake; (2) a 2,000-foot-long, 19-foot-diameter unlined rock penstock; (3) a semi-underground powerhouse with twin 15-megawatt turbines; (4) an 8.5-mile long, 115-kilovolt three-phase overhead transmission line extending from the powerhouse to an existing substation. The estimated annual generation of the Sunset Falls Hydroelectric Project would be 120 gigawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Mr. Kim D. Moore, Assistant General Manager, Public Utility District No.1 of Snohomish County; 2320 California Street, PO Box 1107, Everett, WA 98201; phone: (425) 783–8606.

FERC Contact: Ian Smith; phone: (202) 502–8943.

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. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site 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 or toll free at 1-(866) 208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp. Enter the docket number (P–14295–000) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Monthly Progress Reports; Submission of Invoices, and Related Information (Renewal)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit a request to renew an existing approved Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). This ICR is scheduled to expire on April 30, 2012. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before December 27, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-