

Public Law 104-256  
104th Congress

An Act

Oct. 9, 1996

[H.R. 2773]

To extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of 2 hydroelectric projects in North Carolina, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF DEADLINE.**

(a) **PROJECT NUMBERED 10812.—**

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Notwithstanding the time period specified in section 13 of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 806) that would otherwise apply to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Project No. 10812, the Commission shall, at the request of the licensee for the project, and after reasonable notice, in accordance with the good faith, due diligence, and public interest requirements of that section and the Commission's procedures under that section, extend the time period during which the licensee is required to commence the construction of the project, under the extension described in paragraph (2), for not more than 3 consecutive 2-year periods.

(2) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—This subsection shall take effect on the date of the expiration of the extension of the period required for commencement of construction of the project described in paragraph (1) that the Commission issued, prior to the date of enactment of this Act, under section 13 of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 806).

(b) **PROJECT NUMBERED 6879.—**

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Notwithstanding the time period specified in section 13 of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 806) that would otherwise apply to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Project No. 6879, the Commission may, at the request of the licensee for the project, and after reasonable notice, in accordance with the good faith, due diligence, and public interest requirements of that section and the Commission's procedures under that section, extend the time period during which the licensee is required to commence the construction of the project for not more than 3 consecutive 2-year periods.

(2) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—This subsection shall take effect on the date of the expiration of the period required for commencement of construction of the project under the license for the project.

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