

the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 36 CFR 800.4.

q. *Procedural Schedule and Final Amendments:* The application will be processed according to the following

Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Acceptance/Deficiency Letter	April 2004.
Scoping Meetings	May 2004.
Additional Study Requests, if needed	July 2004.
Request Additional Information	July 2004.
Notice of application is ready for environmental analysis	November 2004.
Notice of the availability of the draft EIS	July 2005.
Notice of the availability of the final EIS	December 2005.
Ready for Commission's decision on the application	February 2006.

Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of the notice of ready for environmental analysis.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Motions to Intervene and Protests

February 26, 2004.

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.:* P-289-013.

c. *Date filed:* October 7, 2003.

d. *Applicant:* Louisville Gas and Electric Company (LG&E).

e. *Name of Project:* Ohio Falls Hydroelectric Project.

f. *Location:* On the Ohio River, in Jefferson County, Kentucky. This project is located at the U.S. Army Corp of Engineer's McAlpine Locks and Dam Project.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Ms. Linda S. Portasik, Senior Corporate Attorney, Louisville Gas and Electric Company, 220 West Main Street, Louisville, Kentucky, 40202, (502) 627-2557.

i. *FERC Contact:* John Costello, john.costello@ferc.gov, (202) 502-6119.

j. *Deadline for Filing Motions to Intervene and Protests:* 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

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. The Commission's rules of practice require all interveners 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 intervener 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.

Motions to intervene and protests may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings. 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. The Commission encourages electronic filings.

k. This application has been accepted, but is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. *Project Description:* The Ohio Falls Hydroelectric Station consists of the following existing facilities: (a) A concrete powerhouse containing eight-10,040kW generating units, located at the U.S. Army Corp of Engineer's McAlpine Locks and Dam Project; (b) a concrete headworks section, 632 feet long and 2 feet wide, built integrally with the powerhouse; (c) an office and electric gallery building; (d) a 69 kV transmission line designated as line 6608 to the Canal substation; (e) an access road, (f) a 266.6-foot long swing bridge over McAlpine Locks for access; (g) one half mile of railroad tracks; and (h) appurtenant facilities. The project facilities are owned by LG&E.

m. 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 "E Library" link—select "Docket #" and follow the instructions. For assistance, please

contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676 or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

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 Commission staff proposes to issue one Environmental Assessment (EA) rather than issuing a draft and final EA. Staff intends to allow 30 days for entities to comment on the EA, and will take into consideration all comments received on the EA before final action is taken on the license application. The application will be processed according to the following schedule, but revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate:

Action	Date
Issue Scoping Document	July 2004.

Action	Date
Notice Application Ready for Environmental Assessment	November 2004.
Notice Availability of EA	February 2005.
Ready for Commission Decision on Application	October 2005.

Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of this notice.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission, Soliciting Additional Study Requests, and Establishing Procedures for Relicensing and a Deadline for Submission of Final Amendments

February 25, 2004.

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.:* 2692-032.

c. *Date Filed:* February 20, 2004.

d. *Applicant:* Duke Power.

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

f. *Location:* On the Nantahala River and its tributaries, in Macon and Clay Counties, North Carolina. There are 41 acres of USFS managed land (Nantahala National Forest) within the Nantahala Project boundary.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* John C. Wishon, Nantahala Area Relicensing Project Manager, Duke Power, 301 NP&L Loop, Franklin, NC 28734, (828) 369-4604, jcwishon@duke-energy.com.

i. *FERC Contact:* Carolyn Holsopple at (202) 502-6407, or carolyn.holsopple@ferc.gov.

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 (l) below.

k. 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 than 60 days from the date of filing of the application, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

l. *Deadline for Filing Additional Study Requests and Requests for Cooperating Agency Status:* April 20, 2004.

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. The Commission's rules of practice require all interveners 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 intervener 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 may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. 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. After logging into the e-Filing system, select "Comment on Filing" from the Filing Type Selection screen and continue with the filing process."

m. *Status:* This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

n. *Description of Project:* The existing Nantahala Project operates in a peaking mode and consists of the following features: (1) A 1,042-foot-long, 250-foot-tall earth and rockfill dam; (2) a spillway for the dam located at the east abutment; (3) a 1,605-acre reservoir, with a normal reservoir elevation of 3,012.2 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum and a storage capacity of 38,336-acre-feet; (4) a reinforced concrete powerhouse containing one generating unit having an installed capacity of 42 megawatts (MW); (5) two diversions (Dicks Creek and Whiteoak Creek) that provide additional flow into the project; and (6) appurtenant facilities.

o. A copy of the application is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits in the docket number field (P-2692), 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 for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above.

You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

p. With this notice, we are initiating consultation with the North Carolina State 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.

q. *Procedural Schedule and Final Amendments:* The application will be processed according to the following Hydro Licensing Schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made if the Commission determines it necessary to do so:

Action	Tentative date
Issue Deficiency Letter and Request Additional Information	March 2004.
Issue Acceptance letter	June 2004.
Issue Scoping Document 1 for comments	July 2004.
Request Additional Information, if necessary	September 2004.
Notice of application is ready for environmental analysis	October 2004.