

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Project No. 14109-000]

**Oregon Winds Hydro, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications**

On March 11, 2011, Oregon Winds Hydro, 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 Oregon Winds Pumped Storage Project to be located on the John Day River, near Condon, Gilliam County, Oregon. 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 project will consist of the following: (1) An upper reservoir with a total storage capacity of 12,000 acre-feet at a normal maximum operating elevation of 2,480 feet mean sea level (msl); (2) a 60-foot-high, 9,120-foot-long upper embankment, Ring Dam; (3) a 200-foot-long, 19.2-foot-diameter concrete-lined low-pressure tunnel; (4) a lower reservoir with a total/usable storage capacity of 12,330 acre-feet at 1,240 feet msl; (5) a 6,500-foot-long, 19.2-foot-diameter concrete and steel-lined high-pressure tunnel; (6) an underground power house located 800 feet southwest of the lower reservoir; (7) a 13-mile-long, 230-kilovolt (kV) transmission line extending from the project substation to the point of interconnection with an existing overhead 500-kV transmission line. The estimated annual generation of the Oregon Winds Pumped Storage Project would be 1,533 gigawatt-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. 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](mailto: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-14109-000) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: April 1, 2011.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**

[Docket No. TS11-2-000]

**City Utility Commission of the City of Owensboro, Kentucky; Notice of Request for Waiver or Exemption**

Take notice that on March 18, 2011, The City Utility Commission of the City of Owensboro, Kentucky, filed a petition for waiver or exemption of any reciprocity-based standards of conduct or open access same-time information system (OASIS) requirements under Order No. 888, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,036 (1996), Order No. 890, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,241 (2007), or Order No. 717, 125 FERC ¶ 61,064 (2008).

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the

appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov>, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov), or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

*Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern Time on April 18, 2011.

Dated: March 31, 2011.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
*Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY****Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****Notice of Staff Attendance at Southwest Power Pool Markets Operations Policy Committee Meeting**

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission hereby gives notice that members of its staff may attend the meeting of the Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (SPP) Markets Operations Policy Committee (MOPC), as noted below. Their attendance is part of the Commission's ongoing outreach efforts.

**SPP MOPC**

April 12, 2011 (8 a.m.–5 p.m.), April 13, 2011 (8 a.m.–3 p.m.), Doubletree Hotel, 616 West 7th Street, Tulsa, OK 74127, 800-838-7914.

The discussions may address matters at issue in the following proceedings: