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–14505) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: March 19, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14504–000]

FFP Project 121, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On March 1, 2013, FFP Project 121, LLC filed an application for a preliminary permit under section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act proposing to study the feasibility of the proposed New Cumberland Locks and Dam Hydroelectric Project No. 14504–000, to be located at the existing New Cumberland Locks and Dam on the Ohio River, near the Town of Stratton, in Jefferson County, Ohio and the Town of New Cumberland, in Hancock County, West Virginia. The New Cumberland Locks and Dam is owned by the United States government and operated by the U.S. Corps of Engineers.

The proposed project would consist of: (1) A new 250-foot-wide by 380-foot-long forebay; (2) a new 220-foot by 250-foot reinforced concrete powerhouse; (3) three new 16.6 megawatt (MW) horizontal bulb turbine-generators having a total combined generating capacity of 49.8 MW; (4) a new 300-foot-long concrete retaining wall downstream of the powerhouse; (5) a new 300-foot-wide by 515-foot-long tailrace area; (6) a new 60-foot-wide by 60-foot-long substation; (7) a new 0.8-mile-long, 36.7-kilovolt transmission line; and (8) appurtenant facilities. The project would have an estimated annual generation of 251,600 megawatt-hours.

Applicant Contact: Daniel Lissner, 239 Causeway Street, Suite 300, Boston, MA 02114; (978) 252–7111.

FERC Contact: Tyrone A. Williams, (202) 502–6331.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and 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 five 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–14504) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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Kimberly D. Bose,

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Western Area Power Administration

Central Arizona Project-Rate Order No. WAPA–158

AGENCY: Western Area Power Administration, DOE.

ACTION: Notice of Extension of Transmission Service Rate Schedules.

SUMMARY: This action is to extend the rate setting formula for the Central Arizona Project, reflected in Transmission Service Rate Schedules CAP–FT2, CAP–NFT2, and CAP–NITS2, from January 1, 2013, through December 31, 2015. These Transmission Service Rate Schedules contain formula rates recalculated from annual updated financial and load data.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: By Delegation Order No. 00–037.00, effective December 6, 2001, the Secretary of Energy delegated: (1) The authority to develop power and transmission rates to the Administrator of Western Area Power Administration (Western); (2) the authority to confirm, approve, and place such rates into effect on an interim basis to the Deputy Secretary of Energy; and (3) the authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect on a final basis, to remand, or to disapprove such rates to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

The existing Rate Schedules CAP–FT2, CAP–NFT2, CAP–NITS2 under Rate Order No. WAPA–124,[1] were approved for a 5-year period beginning on January 1, 2006, and ending December 31, 2010.[2] Rate Order No. WAPA–153 [3] extended the approval period for these rate schedules for a 2-year period, beginning January 1, 2011, through December 31, 2012.

The existing Central Arizona Project rate setting formula methodology provides for the calculation of rates to collect sufficient revenue to pay all annual costs, including interest expense, and repayment of required investment thus ensuring repayment of the project within the cost recovery criteria set forth in DOE Order RA 6120.2. The rates are updated annually using new financial and transmission reservation data. For the reasons explained in its Proposed Extension WAPA–158, published in the **Federal Register** on August 7, 2012 (77 FR 47065), Western is not changing the rate formula at this time. Based on financial and contractual information, Western also determined that the existing calculated rate provides sufficient revenue to recover all appropriate costs and will remain in place through

[1] FERC confirmed and approved Rate Order No. WAPA–124 on June 29, 2006, in Docket No. EF06–5111–000. See *Order Confirming and Approving Rate Schedules on a Final Basis, 115 FERC* ¶ 62,326.70 FR 38,130 (July 1, 2005).

[2] FERC confirmed and approved Rate Order No. WAPA–124 on June 29, 2006, in Docket No. EF06–5111–000, 115 FERC ¶ 62,326.

[3] 76 FR 548 (January 5, 2011).

calendar year 2013. Therefore, Western proposed extending the usage of the current transmission service formula rate schedules through calendar year 2015 pursuant to 10 CFR 903.23(a) under Rate Order No. WAPA–158.

As allowed by 10 CFR 903.23(a) Western provided for a consultation and comment period on Proposed Extension WAPA–158, but did not conduct public information forums or public comment forums. The consultation and comment period ended on September 6, 2012. No comments were received.

Following review of Western's proposal within the Department of Energy, I hereby approve Rate Order No. WAPA–158 which extends Transmission Service Rate Schedules CAP–FT2, CAP–NFT2, and CAP–NITS2 on an interim basis effective as of January 1, 2013. This order places the rates schedules into effect without 30 days notice to avoid financial difficulties that may be created by questions concerning the applicable rates. A 30-day delay in effective date is also unnecessary given that the rate setting formulas remain unchanged from the previous formulas in effect until December 31, 2012. Rate Order No. WAPA–158 will be submitted promptly to FERC for confirmation and approval on a final basis.

Dated: March 15, 2013.

Daniel B. Poneman,

Deputy Secretary.

Department of Energy Deputy Secretary

In the Matter of: Western Area Power Administration, Rate Extension for Central Arizona Project Transmission Service Rate Schedules.

Order Confirming and Approving an Extension of the Central Arizona Project Transmission Service Rate Schedules

Section 302 of the Department of Energy (DOE) Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7152) transferred to and vested in the Secretary of Energy the power marketing functions of the Secretary of the Department of the Interior and the Bureau of Reclamation under the Reclamation Act of 1902 (ch. 1093, 32 Stat. 388), as amended and supplemented by subsequent laws, particularly section 9(c) of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 (43 U.S.C. 485h(c)), and other acts that specifically apply to the project involved.

By Delegation Order No. 00–037.00, effective December 6, 2001, the Secretary of Energy delegated (1) the authority to develop long-term power and transmission rates to the Administrator of the Western Area Power Administration (Western); (2) the authority to confirm, approve, and place such rates into effect on an interim basis to the Deputy Secretary of Energy; and (3) the authority to confirm, approve, and place into effect on a final basis, to remand, or to disapprove such rates to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). This extension of the rate schedules is issued pursuant to the Delegation Order and DOE rate extension procedures at 10 CFR 903.23(a).

Background

On June 29, 2006, in Docket No. EF06–5111–000 at 115 FERC 62,326 FERC issued an order confirming, approving, and placing into effect on a final basis the Transmission Service Rate Schedules CAP–FT2, CAP–NFT2 and CAP–NITS2 for the Central Arizona Project (CAP). The Transmission Service Rate Schedules, Rate Order No. WAPA–124,[1] were approved for 5 years beginning December 23, 2005, through December 31, 2010.[2] Rate Order No. WAPA–153[3] extended these rate schedules for a 2-year period, beginning January 1, 2011, and ending December 31, 2012. Western is requesting a further extension of the approval period for the CAP Transmission Service Rate Schedules, incorporated by reference herein, under Rate Order No. WAPA–158, through December 31, 2015.

Discussion

Western's existing formula transmission service rates for the Central Arizona Project 115kV and 230kV transmission facilities, which are recalculated annually, are expected to continue to sufficiently recover project expenses (including interest) and capital requirements through December 31, 2015. However, on December 31, 2012, the approval period for rate schedules CAP–FT2, CAP–NFT2 and CAP–NITS2, under which these rates are calculated, ended. This makes it necessary to extend the approval period for the existing rate schedules under 10 CFR 903.23(a).

Order

In view of the above and under the authority delegated to me, I hereby extend the existing Transmission Rate Schedules CAP–FT2, CAP–NFT2, and CAP–NITS2 for transmission service for the Central Arizona Project of the Western Area Power Administration on an interim basis. The existing Transmission Rate Schedules CAP–FT2, CAP–NFT2, AND CAP–NITS2 for transmission service for the Central Arizona Project of the Western Area Power Administration, shall remain in effect pending FERC confirmation and approval of their extension or substitute rates on a final basis through December 31, 2015.

Dated: March 15, 2013.

Daniel B. Poneman,

Deputy Secretary.

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[1] 70 FR 38,130 (July 1, 2005).

[2] 115 FERC ¶ 62,236 (2006).

[3] 76 FR 548 (January 5, 2011).

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL–9793–9]

Public Water System Supervision Program Approval for the State of Michigan

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of tentative approval.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the EPA has tentatively approved five revisions to the State of Michigan's public water system supervision program. Michigan has revised several of its rules to comply with the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations, including the Ground Water Rule, the Stage 2 Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts Rule, the Long-Term 2 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule, the Lead and Copper Rule Short Term Revisions, and the Lead and Copper Rule Minor Revisions. These rules better protect public health by controlling microbial contaminants and disinfection byproducts, and streamline existing lead and copper rule requirements.

EPA has determined that these revisions are no less stringent than the corresponding federal regulations. Therefore, EPA intends to approve these revisions, thereby giving the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality primary enforcement responsibility for these regulations. This approval action does not extend to public water systems in Indian Country, as the term is defined in 18 U.S.C. 1151. By approving these rules, EPA does not intend to affect the rights of federally recognized Indian Tribes in Michigan, nor does it intend to limit existing rights of the State of Michigan.

DATES: Any interested person may request a public hearing. A request for a public hearing must be submitted to the Regional Administrator at the EPA Region 5 address shown below by April