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All comments will be placed in the Commission's public files and will be available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at [www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov) using the eLibrary link. Enter AD13-9 in the docket number field to access documents. To be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this proceeding, register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp>. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support.

If the federal government remains closed, the workshop will be rescheduled. Interested individuals are encouraged to monitor docket number AD13-9 or the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/industries/hydro-power/indus-act/efficiency-act.asp> for additional updates.

For more information about this workshop, please contact:

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Dated: October 8, 2013.

**Kimberly D. Bose,**  
Secretary.

### Two-Year Licensing Process Workshop

*Purpose:* To solicit comments and recommendations on a two-year process for licensing hydropower development

at non-powered dams and closed-loop pumped storage projects.

#### Workshop Agenda

1. Introduction 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.<sup>2</sup>
  - 1.1 Opening remarks from the Commissioners
  - 1.2 Introduction of FERC staff and panel members
  - 1.3 Workshop procedures
2. Background (FERC staff presentation) 12:30 p.m. to 12:45 p.m.
  - 2.1 Section 6 of the Hydropower Regulatory Efficiency Act of 2013
  - 2.2 Licensing process steps
  - 2.3 Common factors that lengthen process times
  - 2.4 Actions implemented to shorten process times
  - 2.5 Process times for recently authorized projects
3. Investigating the feasibility of a two-year process (Input solicited from panel and participants) 12:45 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
  - 3.1 Is a two-year process feasible?
  - 3.2 What pre-filing process steps can be eliminated, shortened, or combined?
  - 3.3 What post-filing process steps can be eliminated, shortened, or combined?
  - 3.4 In a two-year process, how much time should be allotted to pre-filing versus post-filing?
  - 3.5 What, if any, process modifications are needed to account for mandatory conditions and other agency authorizations (e.g. sections 4(e) and 18 of the FPA, 401 certifications, ESA consultation)? What about fish and wildlife recommendations made under section 10(j) of the FPA?
  - 3.6 Could memorandums of understanding between FERC and federal or state agencies help expedite processing?
  - 3.7 Are there economic factors that affect the practicality of a two-year process?
  - 3.8 Does the type of project (i.e., non-powered dam versus closed-loop pumped storage) affect the steps included in a two-year process?
  - 3.9 Should there be a single standard two-year process or should developers be allowed to propose unique, project-specific processes?
  - 3.10 Is a two-year process needed for exemptions from licensing or are existing procedures adequate for expedited processing of these projects?

<sup>2</sup> All times are eastern daylight time.

4. Factors and criteria for identifying pilot projects (Input solicited from panel and participants) 3:00 p.m. to 3:55 p.m.
  - 4.1 What project design or siting criteria should be met to be eligible to use a two-year process? Would the same criteria apply to projects at non-powered dams and closed-loop pumped storage projects?
  - 4.2 What environmental criteria should be met to be eligible to use a two-year process? Would the same criteria apply to projects at non-powered dams and closed-loop pumped storage projects?
  - 4.3 In order for a project to qualify for a two-year process, should there be agreement on, and limits to, the need to develop new information?
  - 4.4 Are there certain types of issues that should preclude a project from being eligible for a two-year process?
  - 4.5 Are there developers that will be ready to begin testing a two-year process by February 5, 2014?
5. Closing comments and next steps 3:55 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

#### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. OR14-1-000]

#### MarkWest Liberty Ethane Pipeline L.L.C.; Notice of Petition for Declaratory Order

Take notice that on October 3, 2013, pursuant to Rule 207(a)(2) of the Commission's Rules of Practices and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.207(a)(2)(2013), MarkWest Liberty Ethane Pipeline L.L.C. (MarkWest) filed a petition requesting a declaratory order approving the overall tariff and rate structure for a new ethane pipeline system that will transport ethane from the vicinity of Majorsville, West Virginia to Houston, Pennsylvania, as more fully described in their petition.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest in this proceedings must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 385.214) on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on the specified comment date. 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. Anyone filing a motion

to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Petitioner.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper, using the FERC Online links at <http://www.ferc.gov>. To facilitate electronic service, persons with Internet access who will eFile a document and/or be listed as a contact for an intervenor must create and validate an eRegistration account using the eRegistration link. Select the eFiling link to log on and submit the intervention or protests.

Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 5 copies of the intervention or protest to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St. NE., Washington, DC 20426.

The filings in the above proceedings are accessible in the Commission's eLibrary system by clicking on the appropriate link in the above list. They are also 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 email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email [FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov) or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern time on November 5, 2013.

Dated: October 8, 2013.

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14557-000]

#### Mid-Atlantic Hydro, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On September 25, 2013, Mid-Atlantic 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 Button Rock Hydroelectric Project (or project) to be located near the town of Lyons, Boulder County, Colorado. 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 would consist of the following: (1) A reservoir having a surface area of 248 acres and a storage capacity of 16,084 acre-feet; (2) a 925-foot-long, 210-foot-high concrete-face earthen dam, with a crest width of 30 feet and a maximum base width of 1,030 feet; (3) an existing 54-inch outlet valve situated near the right abutment and passing through the dam near the valley floor; (4) a steel penstock connecting the outlet valve to the existing conduit and extending downstream for 100 feet; (5) a reinforced concrete powerhouse; (6) one 1.5-MW Francis turbine generating unit; and (7) a 2.3-kilovolt transmission line extending 1.75 miles from the proposed substation to an existing distribution line located at the Longmont Dam. The estimated annual generation of the Button Rock Hydroelectric Project would be 5,000 megawatt-hours.

*Applicant Contact:* Ms. Kristina Johnson or Mr. John Collins, Mid-Atlantic Hydro, LLC, 5425 Wisconsin Avenue, Ste. 600, Chevy Chase, MD 20815; phone (301) 718-4432 or (301) 718-4431.

*FERC Contact:* Jennifer Adams; phone: (202) 502-8087.

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.

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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-14557) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: October 7, 2013.

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CD13-8-000]

#### Village of Oak Lawn, Illinois; Notice of Preliminary Determination of a Qualifying Conduit Hydropower Facility and Soliciting Comments and Motions To Intervene

On September 30, 2013, Village of Oak Lawn, Illinois (Oak Lawn) filed a notice of intent to construct a qualifying conduit hydropower facility, pursuant to section 30 of the Federal Power Act, as amended by section 4 of the Hydropower Regulatory Efficiency Act of 2013 (HREA). The 250 kW Charles J. Reich Pumping Storage Complex Hydroelectric Turbine Installation Project would utilize Oak Lawn's water distribution system, and it would be located in Cook County, Illinois.

*Applicant Contact:* Kirk Hipps, CDM Smith, Inc, 125 South Wacker Drive, Suite 600, Chicago, IL 60453, Phone No. (708) 499-7743.

*FERC Contact:* Robert Bell, Phone No. (202) 502-6062, email: [robert.bell@ferc.gov](mailto:robert.bell@ferc.gov).

*Qualifying Conduit Hydropower Facility Description:* The proposed project would consist of: (1) A new intake pipeline receiving water from an existing 26-inch conduit pipeline; (2) a new powerhouse containing one new 250-kilowatt generating unit; (3) a new, small pipeline discharging water into an existing 36-inch pipeline; and (4) appurtenant facilities. The proposed project would have an estimated annual generating capacity of 1,006 megawatt-hours.

A qualifying conduit hydropower facility is one that is determined or deemed to meet all of the criteria shown in the table below.