

regulations in 686.32 require an institution to provide initial, subsequent, and exit counseling to each TEACH Grant recipient and maintain documentation substantiating the counseling requirements. The regulations in 686.34 require the institution to promptly provide written notification to a student requesting repayment of any overpayment that the institution does not have responsibility to repay. The regulations also require that the institution refer the student to the Department if the student does not take positive action to promptly resolve the TEACH Grant overpayment. In addition, in 686.34 there is conversion counseling requirements for grant recipients whose TEACH Grants are converted to Direct Unsubsidized Loans.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Bonneville Power Administration

Opportunity for Public Comment: Bonneville Power Administration Provider of Choice Draft Policy

AGENCY: Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of provider of choice draft policy and opportunity for public comment.

SUMMARY: As part of its Provider of Choice effort, BPA is publishing a draft policy that describes the agency's long-term power sales marketing approach for the period following the expiration of existing long-term power sales contracts on September 30, 2028. The draft policy describes the agency's products and service offerings for this next contract period and how the agency proposes to distribute the costs and benefits from its system of federal resources, which includes the Federal Columbia River Power System, the Columbia Generating Station, as well as non-federal resources and short-term purchases of power from the spot market. BPA expects to release the final policy and record of decision in early calendar year 2024, once all public comments have been reviewed. Following finalization of the policy, BPA will undertake a follow-on process

to implement the policy through negotiation and development of contracts with the goal to offer and execute new long-term contracts by late 2025. Bonneville will use the time between contract signing and the start of power deliveries on October 1, 2028, to ready systems to ensure a smooth transition between contracts.

DATES: Public comments will be accepted through October 13, 2023. BPA will hold a public meeting to present the draft policy on July 26, 2023, and a public meeting to answer clarifying questions on August 1, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Written comments must be received by October 13, 2023 to be considered in the final policy and Administrator's Record of Decision (ROD). Comments can be submitted online at <https://publiccomments.bpa.gov/> or mailed to: BPA, P.O. Box 14428, Portland, OR 97293-4428. Please call BPA at 1-800-622-4519 if you are experiencing technical difficulties uploading your comment or attachments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Responsible Official: Kim Thompson, Vice President for Northwest Requirements Marketing is the official responsible for the development of Provider of Choice policies and contracts.

The full text of the draft policy and additional information can be found at the Provider of Choice website: <https://www.bpa.gov/energy-and-services/power/provider-of-choice> Public meeting information can be found on the BPA Event Calendar: Event Calendar—Bonneville Power Administration ([bpa.gov](https://www.bpa.gov)).

Signing Authority: This document of the Department of Energy was signed on July 5, 2023, by John Hairston, Administrator and Chief Executive Officer of the Bonneville Power Administration, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. That document with the original signature and date is maintained by the Department of Energy. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the **Federal Register**, the undersigned Department of Energy **Federal Register** Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This

administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC, on July 19, 2023.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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Lock 9 Hydro Partners, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On May 26, 2023, Lock 9 Hydro Partners, 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 a hydropower project located on the Kentucky River, in Jessamine and Madison Counties, Kentucky. 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 Valley View Hydroelectric Project would consist of the following: (1) an existing 242-foot-long, 35-foot-high concrete lock and dam; (2) an existing 18.9-mile-long, 343-acre reservoir having a total capacity of 6,550-acre-feet; (3) a proposed 28.33-foot-wide, 52-foot-long, 48.8-foot-high powerhouse built into the abandoned lock containing six Voith Stream Diver submersible turbine/generating units for a total installed capacity of 3.012 megawatts; (4) a proposed 20-foot-wide, 42-foot-long control building on the adjacent shore; and (5) a proposed 2,000-foot-long, 12.47 kilovolt transmission line which interconnects to a Blue Grass Energy Cooperative distribution line. The project is estimated to generate an average of 14,000 megawatt-hours annually. The existing lock and dam are owned by the Kentucky River Authority.

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