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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. IC13-12-000]

Commission Information Collection Activities (FERC-577); Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Comment request.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 USC 3507(a)(1)(D), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) is submitting the information collection FERC-577, Natural Gas Facilities: Environmental Review and Compliance, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review of the information collection requirements. Any interested person may file comments directly with OMB and should address a copy of those comments to the Commission as explained below. The Commission issued a Notice in the **Federal Register** (78 FR 13657, 2/28/2013) requesting public comments. FERC received no comments on the FERC-577 and is making this notation in its submittal to OMB.

DATES: Comments on the collection of information are due by June 17, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Comments filed with OMB, identified by the OMB Control No. 1902-0128, should be sent via email to the Office of Information and Regulatory

Affairs: oir_submission@omb.gov. Attention: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Desk Officer. The Desk Officer may also be reached via telephone at 202-395-4718.

A copy of the comments should also be sent to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, identified by the Docket No. IC13-12-000, by either of the following methods:

- *eFiling at Commission's Web site:* <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>.
- *Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier:* Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Secretary of the Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

Instructions: All submissions must be formatted and filed in accordance with submission guidelines at: <http://www.ferc.gov/help/submission-guide.asp>. For user assistance contact FERC Online Support by email at ferconlinesupport@ferc.gov, or by phone at: (866) 208-3676 (toll-free), or (202) 502-8659 for TTY.

Docket: Users interested in receiving automatic notification of activity in this docket or in viewing/downloading comments and issuances in this docket may do so at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/docs-filing.asp>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellen Brown may be reached by email at DataClearance@FERC.gov, by telephone at (202) 502-8663, and by fax at (202) 273-0873.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Title: Natural Gas Facilities: Environmental Review and Compliance.
OMB Control No.: 1902-0128.

Type of Request: Three-year extension of the FERC-577 information collection requirements with no changes to the reporting requirements.

Abstract: Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) ¹ requires that all Federal agencies must include in every recommendation or report on proposals for legislation and other major federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment, a detailed statement on: the environmental impact on the proposed actions; any adverse environmental effects which cannot be avoided should the proposal be implemented; alternatives to the proposed action; the relationship between local short-term uses of man's environment and the maintenance and enhancement of long term productivity; and any irreversible and irretrievable commitment of resources which would be involved in the proposed action should it be implemented.

In order to comply with NEPA, the Commission requires applicants seeking authorization for the construction and abandonment of facilities to provide specific environmental information during the pre-filing process (18 CFR 157.21) and to provide a detailed environmental report with their application (18 CFR 380.12) that describes the impact the project is likely to have and the measures the applicant will implement to mitigate those impacts.

Type of Respondents: The respondents include all jurisdictional natural gas companies seeking authorization from the Commission to construct or abandon facilities.

*Estimate of Annual Burden:*² The Commission estimates the total Public Reporting Burden for this information collection as:

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	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Average burden hours per response	Estimated total annual burden
	(A)	(B)	(A)×(B)=(C)	(D)	(C) × (D)
Natural Gas Pipelines	92	16	1,472	193	284, 096

The total estimated annual cost burden to respondents is \$19,886,720 [284,096 hours \$70/hour ³ = \$19,886,720]

Comments: Comments are invited on: (1) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper

performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden and cost of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

¹ Public Law 91-190.

² Burden is defined as the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide

information to or for a Federal agency. For further explanation of what is included in the information collection burden, reference 5 Code of Federal Regulations 1320.3.

³ Average salary (per hour) plus benefits per full-time equivalent employee

Dated: May 9, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 6440-008]

Lakeport Hydroelectric Associates, Lakeport Hydroelectric Corporation, Lakeport Hydroelectric One, LLC; Notice of Application for Transfer of License, and Soliciting Comments and Motions To Intervene

On April 4, 2013, Lakeport Hydroelectric Associates and Lakeport Hydroelectric Corporation (transferors) and Lakeport Hydroelectric One, LLC (transferee) filed an application for the transfer of license for the Lakeport Project, FERC No. 6440, located on the Winnepesaukee River in Belknap County, New Hampshire.

Applicants seek Commission approval to transfer the license for the Lakeport Project from the transferors to the transferee.

Applicants' Contact: Shannon P. Coleman, Director, Legal Regulatory Strategy, Algonquin-Liberty Business Services, 2865 Bristol Circle, Oakville, ON, Canada L6H 6X5, telephone (905) 465-4462.

FERC Contact: Patricia W. Gillis (202) 502-8735, patricia.gillis@ferc.gov.

Deadline for filing comments and motions to intervene: 30 days from the issuance date of this notice by the Commission. Comments and motions to intervene may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site under <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. If unable to be filed electronically, documents may be paper-filed. To paper-file, an original plus seven copies should be mailed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426. More information about this project 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-6440) in the docket number field to access the

document. For assistance, call toll-free 1-866-208-3372.

Dated: May 10, 2013.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project 2629-014]

Village of Morrisville, Vermont; Notice of Application Tendered for Filing With the Commission and Establishing Procedural Schedule for Licensing and Deadline for Submission of Final Amendments

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.:* 2629-014.

c. *Date Filed:* April 25, 2013.

d. *Applicant:* Village of Morrisville, Vermont (Morrisville).

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

f. *Location:* On the Green River, Elmore Pond Brook, and Lamoille River, in Lamoille County, Vermont. The project does not occupy any federal lands.

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

h. *Applicant Contact:* Craig Myotte, Village of Morrisville, Water & Light Department, P.O. Box 460-857 Elmore Street, Morrisville, Vermont, 05661-0460; (802) 888-6521 or cmmyotte@mwlvt.com.

i. *FERC Contact:* Steve Kartalia, (202) 502-6131 or stephen.kartalia@ferc.gov.

j. This application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

k. *The Project Description:* The existing Morrisville Hydroelectric Project consists of four developments with a total installed capacity of 4,990 kilowatts (kW). The project's average annual generation is 9,032,221 kilowatt-hours. The power generated by the Morrisville Project is used by Morrisville to meet the power needs of its regional retail customers within the Village of Morrisville and surrounding communities.

Green River Development

The existing Green River Development is located on the Green River and consists of: (1) A 360-foot-

long, 105-foot-high concrete arch dam that includes, near its center, a 60-foot-long ungated spillway with a crest elevation of 1,220 feet above mean sea level (msl); (2) a 45-foot-long, 15-foot-high concrete gravity weir that creates a 180-foot-long, 11-foot-deep stilling pool downstream of the concrete arch dam; (3) a 200-foot-long, 16-foot-high earthen embankment with 2-foot-high wooden wave barriers approximately 1.25 miles southeast of the concrete arch dam; (4) a 690-acre impoundment with a storage capacity of 17,400-acre-feet and a normal maximum elevation of 1,220 feet msl; (5) a 16-foot-long, 12-foot-high gated intake structure; (6) a 22-foot-long, 16-foot-wide intake-valve house and a 14-foot-long, 13-foot-wide outlet-valve house; (7) a 116-foot-long penstock, that includes a 6-foot-diameter, 94.5-foot-long buried, steel section that bifurcates into two 3-foot-diameter, 21.5-foot-long steel sections; (8) a 32-foot-long, 37-foot-wide concrete powerhouse containing two 945-kW turbine-generator units for a total installed capacity of 1,890 kW; (9) a 14.5-foot-long, concrete tailrace; (10) a 5-mile-long, 34.5-kilovolt (kV) transmission line connecting the powerhouse to the regional grid; and (11) appurtenant facilities.

The Green River Development bypasses approximately 180 feet of the Green River, including the stilling pool.

Lake Elmore Development

The existing Lake Elmore Development is located on Elmore Pond Brook and consists of: (1) A 26-foot-long, 10-foot-high concrete gravity dam and spillway with a crest elevation of 1,139 feet msl; (2) a 300-acre impoundment (Lake Elmore) with a 1,000-acre-foot storage capacity and a normal maximum water surface elevation of 1,139 feet msl; (3) a 8.5-foot-long, 7.5-foot-wide gatehouse; (4) a 8.3-foot-long, 3.5-foot-high gated intake structure; (5) a 2.5-foot-long concrete-lined tailrace; and (6) appurtenant facilities.

Morrisville Development

The existing Morrisville Development is located on the Lamoille River and consists of: (1) A 384-foot-long, 37-foot-high concrete gravity dam comprised of a 138-foot-long concrete retaining wall, a 30-foot-long intake and gatehouse section, and a 216-foot-long spillway with two 108-foot-long, 4-foot-high Obermeyer inflatable crest gates and a crest elevation of 627.79 feet msl; (2) a 141-foot-long, 8-foot-high concrete wall approximately 260 feet northwest of the dam that includes a 60-foot-long overflow section (back spillway) with 2-foot-high wooden flashboards; (3) a 15-