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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Qualified Hydro 21 LLC

Project No. 14134-000

NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY PERMIT APPLICATION ACCEPTED FOR FILING AND SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS TO INTERVENE, AND COMPETING APPLICATIONS

On April 1, 2011, Qualified Hydro 21 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 at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) Arkansas River Lock and Dam No. 3, located on the Arkansas River, in Lincoln and Jefferson Counties, Arkansas. 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: (1) an 400-foot-long, 280-foot-wide approach channel; (2) a powerhouse, located on the west side of the dam, containing four generating units with a total capacity of 48.0 MW; (3) a 500-foot-long, 280-foot-wide tailrace; (4) a 7.2/115 kilo-Volt (kV) substation; and (5) a 2.6-mile-long, 115 kV transmission line. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of 192.0 GWh, and operate run-of-river utilizing surplus water from the Arkansas River Lock and Dam No. 3, as directed by the Corps.

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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 website <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 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 website at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-14134-000) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: October 25, 2011

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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