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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Advanced Hydropower, Inc.

Project No. 14623-000

Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments,
Motions to Intervene, and Competing Applications

On May 6, 2014, Advanced Hydropower, Inc. 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 to be located on the Cullasaja River, on lands within the Nantahala National Forest, near the town of Highlands, in Macon County, North Carolina. 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 50-foot-wide, 2-foot-high concrete diversion weir; (2) a 50-foot-wide, 2-foot-high coanda effect screened intake structure; (3) a 2,000-foot-long, 36-inch-diameter above ground penstock; (4) a 30-foot-high, 25-foot-long powerhouse containing one crossflow generating unit with a total capacity of 775 kilowatts; (5) a 40-foot-long, 40-foot-wide tailrace; (6) a 60-foot-long, 12.47 kilo-Volt transmission line. The project would have an estimated average annual generation of 3,300 megawatt-hours.

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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 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 website at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-14623) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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