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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
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Beverly Lock and Dam Water Power	Project No. 13404-002
Devola Lock and Dam Water Power Project	Project No. 13405-002
Malta/McConnelsville Lock and Dam Water Power Project	Project No. 13406-002
Lowell Lock and Dam Water Power Project	Project No. 13407-002
Philo Lock and Dam Water Power Project	Project No. 13408-002
Rokeby Lock and Dam Water Power Project	Project No. 13411-002

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission or FERC) regulations, 18 Code of Federal Regulations Part 380, the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the applications for original licenses for the Beverly Lock and Dam Water Power Project (FERC Project No. 13404-002), Devola Lock and Dam Water Power Project (FERC Project No. 13405-002), Malta/McConnelsville Lock and Dam Water Power Project (FERC Project No. 13406-002), Lowell Lock and Dam Water Power Project (FERC Project No. 13407-002), Philo Lock and Dam Water Power Project (FERC Project No. 13408-002), and Rokeby Lock and Dam Water Power Project (FERC Project No. 13411-002). The proposed projects would be located on the Muskingum River in Ohio. The Philo Lock and Dam Water Power Project would be located north of Philo, Ohio, in Muskingum County at river mile (RM) 68.3. The Rokeby Lock and Dam Water Power Project would be located in Rokeby, Ohio, in Morgan and Muskingum Counties at RM 57.4. The Malta/McConnelsville Lock and Dam Water Power Project would be located in McConnelsville, Ohio, in Morgan County at RM 49.4. The Beverly Lock and Dam Water Power Project would be located upstream of Beverly, Ohio, in Washington and Morgan Counties at RM 25.1. The Lowell Lock and Dam Water Power Project would be located west of Lowell, Ohio, in Washington County at RM 14.2. The Devola Lock and Dam Water Power Project would be located near Devola, Ohio, in Washington County at RM 5.8. The projects would be located at existing dams owned by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. The projects would not occupy federal land.

Staff prepared a multi-project environmental assessment (EA) in cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which analyzes the potential environmental effects of licensing the six projects, and concludes that licensing the projects, with appropriate environmental protection measures, would not constitute a major federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment.

A copy of the EA is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's website at www.ferc.gov using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits, in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll-free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659.

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