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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY  
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Flambeau Hydro, LLC

Project No. 2894-010

NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE LICENSE APPLICATION, FILING OF PRE-APPLICATION DOCUMENT, AND APPROVING USE OF THE TRADITIONAL LICENSING PROCESS

- a. Type of Filing: Notice of Intent to File License Application and Request to Use the Traditional Licensing Process
- b. Project No.: 2894-010
- c. Date Filed: December 30, 2016
- d. Submitted By: Flambeau Hydro, LLC
- e. Name of Project: Black Brook Hydroelectric Project
- f. Location: On the Apple River in the town of Black Brook near the City of Amery, in Polk County, Wisconsin. No federal lands are occupied by the project works or located within the project boundary.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: 18 CFR 5.3 of the Commission's regulations
- h. Potential Applicant Contact: Jason P. Kreuzcher, Vice President, Operations, Renewable World Energies, LLC, 100 S. State Street, P.O. Box 264, Neshkoro, WI 54960; phone: (855) 994-9376, ext 102
- i. FERC Contact: Laura Washington at (202) 502-6072; or email at [Laura.Washington@ferc.gov](mailto:Laura.Washington@ferc.gov).
- j. Flambeau Hydro, LLC filed its request to use the Traditional Licensing Process on December 30, 2015. Flambeau Hydro, LLC provided public notice of its request on December 23, 2015. In a letter dated February 18, 2016, the Director of the Division of Hydropower Licensing approved Flambeau Hydro, LLC's request to use the Traditional Licensing Process.

- k. With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and NOAA Fisheries under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR, Part 402. We are also initiating consultation the Wisconsin State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by section 106, National Historical Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.
- l. With this notice, we are designating Flambeau Hydro, LLC as the Commission's non-federal representative for carrying out informal consultation, pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and section 106 of the National Historical Preservation Act.
- m. Flambeau Hydro, LLC filed a Pre-Application Document (PAD; including a proposed process plan and schedule) with the Commission, pursuant to 18 CFR 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.
- n. A copy of the PAD is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's website (<http://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](mailto:FERCONlineSupport@ferc.gov), (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in paragraph h.
- o. The licensee states its unequivocal intent to submit an application for a new license for Project No. 2894. Pursuant to 18 CFR 16.8, 16.9, and 16.10 each application for a new license and any competing license applications must be filed with the Commission at least 24 months prior to the expiration of the existing license. All applications for license for this project must be filed by April 30, 2017.
- p. Register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via e-mail of new filing and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

DATED: February 18, 2016

Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,  
Deputy Secretary.

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