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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2232-653]

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC;

Notice of Application Accepted For Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Protests

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

- a. Application Type: Recreation Management Plan
- b. Project No: 2232-653
- c. Date Filed: November 14, 2016
- d. Applicant: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC
- e. Name of Project: Catawba-Wateree Hydroelectric Project
- f. Location: The project is located on the Catawba and Wateree Rivers in Burke, McDowell, Caldwell, Catawba, Alexander, Iredell, Mecklenburg, Lincoln, and Gaston counties in North Carolina, and York, Lancaster, Chester, Fairfield, and Kershaw counties in South Carolina.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791a - 825r
- h. Applicant Contact: John Crutchfield, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, 526 S. Church St., Charlotte, NC, 28202, (980) 373-2288.
- i. FERC Contact: Dr. Tara Perry, (202) 502-6546, tara.perry@ferc.gov.
- j. Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, and protests: March 1, 2017.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, and protests using the Commission's eFiling system

at <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, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-2232-653. Comments emailed to Commission staff are not considered part of the Commission record.

The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person whose name appears on the official service list for the project. Further, if an intervenor files comments or documents with the Commission relating to the merits of an issue that may affect the responsibilities of a particular resource agency, they must also serve a copy of the document on that resource agency.

k. Description of Request: As required by article 407 of the license, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC requests Commission approval of a proposed recreation management plan (RMP) for the project. The RMP includes an inventory of existing project recreation sites, proposed new sites or enhancements to existing sites, provisions for operation and maintenance of existing and proposed recreation sites and facilities, conceptual drawings, maps, an implementation schedule, evaluation of the need for wildlife viewing platforms, a procedure for temporary closure of recreation sites, how the needs of persons with disability and low impact practices are considered in planning and designing recreation sites, a description of the signage program at the recreation sites, provisions for trash removal, provisions for recreation use monitoring over the license term, and the consultation record.

l. Locations of the Application: A copy of the application is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference Room, located at 888 First Street, NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, or by calling (202) 502-8371. This filing may also be viewed on the Commission's website at <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. You may also register online at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, call 1-866-208-3676 or e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, for TTY, call (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available

for inspection and reproduction at the address in item (h) above. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant.

m. Individuals desiring to be included on the Commission's mailing list should so indicate by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

n. Comments, Protests, or Motions to Intervene: Anyone may submit comments, a protest, or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, .211, .214, respectively. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests or other comments filed, but only those who file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules may become a party to the proceeding. Any comments, protests, or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified comment date for the particular application.

o. Filing and Service of Documents: Any filing must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "COMMENTS", "PROTEST", or "MOTION TO INTERVENE" as applicable; (2) set forth in the heading the name of the applicant and the project number of the application to which the filing responds; (3) furnish the name, address, and telephone number of the person commenting, protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. All comments, motions to intervene, or protests must set forth their evidentiary basis. Any filing made by an intervenor must be accompanied by proof of service on all persons listed in the service list prepared by the Commission in this proceeding, in accordance with 18 CFR 385.2010.

Dated: January 30, 2017

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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