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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 12611-009]

Verdant Power, LLC; Notice of Request to Waive Requirement to File Draft License Application

- a. Type of Filing: Request to Waive Pre-Filing Requirements
- b. Project No.: 12611-009
- c. Date Filed: August 30, 2019
- d. Applicant: Verdant Power, LLC
- e. Name of Project: Roosevelt Island Tidal Energy Project
- f. Location: On the East River in New York County, New York.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 USC 791a-825r.
- h. Applicant Contact: Mr. Ronald F. Smith, President and Chief Operating Officer, Verdant Power, LLC, P.O. Box 282, Roosevelt Island, New York, New York, 10044. Phone: (703) 328-6841.
- i. FERC Contact: Andy Bernick, (202) 502-8660, andrew.bernick@ferc.gov
- j. Verdant requests a waiver of the Commission's pre-filing regulations under section 16.8(c) with respect to the requirement to submit a draft license application for the Roosevelt Island Tidal Energy Project. Verdant states that the project has a long history of consultation and that it proposes no substantive changes to the currently licensed pilot project. Further, Verdant indicates that it held two joint agency meetings (on January 8, 2019 and May 16, 2019), the second of which was held for federal agencies that were unable to attend the January meeting due to the funding lapse at certain federal agencies between December 22, 2018, and January 25, 2019. Verdant explains that the second joint agency meeting and the additional time needed to respond to study requests has reduced the amount of time available for submitting and effectively reviewing responses to a draft license application, prior to the filing of the final license application by December 31, 2019. Therefore, Commission staff is soliciting comments on Verdant's request to waive the requirement to file a draft license application for the Roosevelt

Island Tidal Energy Project, pursuant to sections 16.8(c)(4) and 16.8(c)(6) of the Commission's regulations.

k. The deadline for filing comments is 15 days from the issuance date of this notice.

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l. A copy of the request is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov> using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in item h above.

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Dated: September 10, 2019.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.