



DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 15328-000]

SOLIA 1 Hydroelectric LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing

Applications

On October 18, 2023, SOLIA 1 Hydroelectric LLC., filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of hydropower project located to be located at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) A.I. Selden Lock and Dam near the City of Eutaw, Greene County, Alabama. 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 A.I. Selden Hydroelectric Project would consist of the following: (1) a headrace channel and intake structure with four, 31-foot-wide, 39-foot-high trash racks with 8.3-inch bar spacing; (2) a 93-foot-long, 158-foot-wide, 83-foot-high concrete powerhouse located on the south west bank of the river at the existing Corps dam's right abutment containing four Kaplan bulb turbine-generator units with a total capacity of 22.4 megawatts; (3) four, 70-foot-long, 198-foot-wide, 73-foot-high draft tubes that would convey water from the turbines to the tailrace; (4) a 495-foot-long, 495-foot-wide riprap lined tailrace; (5) a 100-foot-long, 100-foot-wide switchyard; and (6) a 2.2-mile-long, 115 kilovolt transmission line. The proposed project would have an estimated annual generation of 145.5 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.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission's eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/eFiling.aspx>. Commenters

can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/QuickComment.aspx>. 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, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-15328-000.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's website at <https://elibrary.ferc.gov/eLibrary/search>. Enter the docket number (P-15328) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,

Deputy Secretary.

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