



DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 7153-018]

Consolidated Hydro New York, LLC; Notice of Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting 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. Type of Application: New Major License
- b. Project No.: 7153-018
- c. Date filed: April 29, 2022
- d. Applicant: Consolidated Hydro New York, LLC (Consolidated Hydro)
- e. Name of Project: Victory Mills Hydroelectric Project (Victory Mills Project)
- f. Location: The project is located on Fish Creek, in the village of Victory in Saratoga County, New York. This project does not occupy any Federal land.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791(a) - 825(r)
- h. Applicant Contact: Mr. Kevin M. Webb, Licensing Manager, Consolidated Hydro New York, LLC, 670 N. Commercial Street, Suite 204, Manchester, NH 03101; phone at (978) 935-6039 or email at kwebb@centralriverspower.com; and Mr. Curtis Mooney, Manager, Regulatory Compliance, Consolidated Hydro New York, LLC, 670 N. Commercial Street, Suite 204, Manchester, NH 03101; phone at (603) 774-0846 or email at cmooney@centralriverspower.com.
- i. FERC Contact: Jacob Harrell at (202) 502-7313; or email at Jacob.Harrell@ferc.gov.

j. Deadline for filing motions to intervene and protests: 60 days from the issuance date of this notice.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file motions to intervene and protests using the Commission's eFiling system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. 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: Debbie-Anne Reese, Acting Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne Reese, Acting Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852. All filings must clearly identify the project name and docket number on the first page: Victory Mills Hydroelectric Project (P-7153-018).

The Commission's Rules of Practice require all intervenors filing documents with the Commission to serve a copy of that document on each person 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. This application has been accepted but is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.

l. The Victory Mills Project includes: (1) a dam that consists of: (a) an approximately 150-foot-long concrete spillway varying in height from 4 to 6 feet with a crest elevation of 187.5 feet National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 (NGVD29), and (b) a sluice gate

section approximately 19 feet high and 40 feet long with four gated spillway bays, each with a sill elevation of 181 feet NGVD29 and containing a 7-foot-high by 8-foot-wide wooden timber gate; (2) a 4.3-acre reservoir with a gross storage capacity of approximately 18 acre-feet at the normal surface elevation of 187.5 feet NGVD29; (3) an intake channel feeding a 51-foot-long, 25-foot-high concrete intake structure; (4) an 8-foot-diameter, 300-foot-long steel penstock; (5) a 27-foot by 46-foot concrete powerhouse containing a single Kaplan turbine with an installed capacity of 1,656 kilowatts; (6) an approximately 30-foot-wide by 530-foot-long tailrace channel; (7) a 480-foot-long, 4.8-kilovolt transmission line; and (8) appurtenant facilities.

The Victory Mills Project operates in a run-of-river mode with an average annual generation of 6,073 megawatt-hours between 2011 and 2021.

m. A copy of the application is available for review via the Internet through the Commission's Home Page (<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 at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll free, (886) 208-3676 or TTY (202) 502-8659.

You may also register online at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FERCOOnline.aspx> to be notified via e-mail of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

The Commission's Office of Public Participation (OPP) supports meaningful public engagement and participation in Commission proceedings. OPP can help members of the public, including landowners, environmental justice communities, Tribal members, and others, access publicly available information and navigate Commission processes. For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions,

comments, or requests for rehearing, the public is encouraged to contact OPP at (202) 502-6595, or OPP@ferc.gov.

n. Anyone may submit a protest or a motion to intervene in accordance with the requirements of Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.210, 385.211, and 385.214. In determining the appropriate action to take, the Commission will consider all protests 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 protests or motions to intervene must be received on or before the specified deadline date for the particular application.

All filings must (1) bear in all capital letters the title "PROTEST" or "MOTION TO INTERVENE;" (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 protesting or intervening; and (4) otherwise comply with the requirements of 18 CFR 385.2001 through 385.2005. Agencies may obtain copies of the application directly from the applicant. A copy of any protest or motion to intervene must be served upon each representative of the applicant specified in the particular application.

o. Procedural schedule: The application will be processed according to the following schedule. Revisions to the schedule will be made as appropriate.

Issue Scoping Document 1 for comments	March 2024
Hold Scoping Meeting	April 2024
Scoping Document 1 comments due	May 2024
Request Additional Information (<i>if necessary</i>)	June 2024
Issue Scoping Document 2 (<i>if necessary</i>)	June 2024
Issue Notice of Ready for Environmental Analysis	June 2024

Dated: January 24, 2024.

Debbie-Anne. Reese,

Acting Secretary.

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