considering two action alternatives for evaluation in the EIS. The alternatives propose a combination of sites used in the feasibility study and new hatchery sites and juvenile rearing sites. The difference between the alternatives is largely the number and distribution of juvenile rearing sites.

• Master Plan Alternative: The Master Plan alternative would follow the steps and transition points for the reintroduction phases described in the Master Plan. This alternative would include 20 juvenile rearing sites distributed throughout the Wenatchee and Methow basins. The number and distribution is intended to optimize the use of resources and result in efficient distribution of returning adults to the best habitat while minimizing potential interactions with other salmon species.

• Reduced Production Alternative:
This alternative would follow the same implementation steps as described in the Master Plan, but would use fewer juvenile rearing sites with a corresponding decrease in released juveniles. This is intended to further reduce inter-species competition and potential water quality effects.

BPA is also considering the No Action Alternative, that is, not funding the YN's proposal. Under the no action alternative the YN would use internal non-federal funding to implement their proposal but the scope of the proposed activities would be less than the Reduced Production Alternative. Other alternatives may be identified through the scoping process.

Public Participation and Identification of Environmental Issues. The potential environmental issues identified for this reintroduction project include threatened and endangered species, sensitive plants and animals, fisheries, water quality and quantity, land use, socioeconomics, cultural resources, soil erosion, wetlands, and floodplains. BPA has established a 45day scoping period during which tribes, affected landowners, concerned citizens, special interest groups, local and Federal governments, and any other interested parties are invited to comment on the scope of the proposed EIS, including potential alternatives to be considered and environmental impacts to be evaluated. Scoping will help BPA ensure that a full range of issues related to this proposal is addressed in the EIS, and also will identify significant or potentially significant impacts that may result from the proposed project. When completed, the Draft EIS will be circulated for review and comment, and BPA will hold public meetings to answer questions and receive comments. BPA

will consider and respond to comments received on the Draft EIS in the Final EIS. The Final EIS is expected to be published in late summer 2011. BPA's decision will be documented in a Record of Decision that will follow the Final EIS.

Issued in Portland, Oregon, on July 22, 2009.

Stephen J. Wright,

Administrator and Chief Executive Officer. [FR Doc. E9–18188 Filed 7–29–09; 8:45 am]

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2232-522]

Duke Power Company, LLC; North Carolina and South Carolina; Notice of Availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Catawba-Wateree Hydroelectric Project

July 23, 2009.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 CFR part 380 (Order No. 486, 52 FR 47897), the Office of Energy Projects has reviewed the application for license for the Catawba-Wateree Hydroelectric Project (FERC No. 2232), located on the Catawba River in the counties of Burke, McDowell, Caldwell, Catawba, Alexander, Iredell, Mecklenburg, Lincoln, and Gaston in North Carolina, and the counties of York, Lancaster, Chester, Fairfield, and Kershaw in South Carolina, and has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (final EIS) for the project.

The final EIS contains staff evaluations of the applicant's proposal and the alternatives for relicensing the Catawba-Wateree Project. The final EIS documents the views of governmental agencies, non-governmental organizations, affected Indian tribes, the public, the license applicant, and Commission staff.

A copy of the final EIS is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Branch, Room 2A, located at 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426. The final EIS also may be viewed on the Commission's Web site at http://www.ferc.gov under 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 or toll-

free at 1–866–208–3676, or for TTY, (202) 502–8659.

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, contact FERC Online Support.

For further information, contact Sean Murphy at (202) 502–6145 or at sean.murphy@ferc.gov.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RR09-7-000]

North American Electric Reliability Corporation; Notice of Filing

July 23, 2009.

Take notice that on July 20, 2009, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation filed a Three-Year Electric Reliability Organization Performance Assessment Report, pursuant to section 215(c) of the Federal Power Act and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission regulations, 18 CFR 39.3(c).

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at http://www.ferc.gov. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at http://www.ferc.gov, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public

Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on September 3, 2009.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. ER09-1302-000]

Northwest Wind Partners, LLC; Notice of Filing

July 23, 2009.

Take notice that, on July 10, 2009, Northwest Wind Partners, LLC filed a replacement Attachment A to revise its June 16, 2009 application for market-based rate authority filing in the above-captioned docket with information required under the Commission's regulations. Such filing served to reset the filing date in this proceeding.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. Anyone filing a motion to intervene or protest must serve a copy of that document on the Applicant and all the parties in this proceeding.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at http://www.ferc.gov. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426.

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review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. There is an "eSubscription" link on the Web site that enables subscribers to receive e-mail notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please e-mail FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

Comment Date: 5 p.m. Eastern Time on July 31, 2009.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 13528–000—Alaska; Soule River Hydroelectric Project]

Soule Hydro, LLC; Notice of Proposed Restricted Service List for a Programmatic Agreement for Managing Properties Included in or Eligible for Inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places

July 23, 2009.

Rule 2010 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure provides that, to eliminate unnecessary expense or improve administrative efficiency, the Secretary may establish a restricted service list for a particular phase or issue in a proceeding.¹ The restricted service list should contain the names of persons on the service list who, in the judgment of the decisional authority establishing the list, are active participants with respect to the phase or issue in the proceeding for which the list is established.

The Commission staff is consulting with the Alaska State Historic Preservation Officer (hereinafter, SHPO) and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (hereinafter, Council) pursuant to the Council's regulations, 36 CFR Part 800, implementing section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, (16 U.S.C. section 470f), to prepare and execute a programmatic agreement for managing properties included in, or eligible for inclusion in, the National Register of Historic Places at the Soule River Hydroelectric Project No. 13528–000.²

The programmatic agreement, when executed by the Commission and the SHPO, would satisfy the Commission's section 106 responsibilities for all individual undertakings carried out in accordance with the license until the license expires or is terminated (36 CFR 800.13[e]). The Commission's responsibilities, pursuant to section 106 for the Soule River Hydroelectric Project, would be fulfilled through the programmatic agreement, which the Commission proposes to draft in consultation with certain parties listed below. The executed programmatic agreement would be incorporated into any Order issuing a license.

Soule Hydro, LLC, as applicant for the Soule River Hydroelectric Project No. 13528–000, is invited to participate in consultations to develop the programmatic agreement.

For the purpose of commenting on the programmatic agreement, we propose to restrict the service list for the aforementioned project as follows:

Don Klima or Representative, Advisory

Council on Historic Preservation, The Old Post Office Building, 1100
Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Suite 803, Washington, DC 20004.

Glen Martin or Representative, Alaska Power & Telephone Company, 193 Otto Street, P.O. Box 3222, Port Townsend, WA 98368.

T. Weber Greiser, Historical Research Associates, Inc., 125 Bank Street, Suite 500, Missoula, MT 59802.

Norman Gross, Director, or Representative, Soule Hydro, LLC, 11978 Artery Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030.

Judith Bittner, SHPO or Representative, Office of History & Archaeology, 550 W. 7th Avenue, Suite 1310, Anchorage, AK 99501.

Martin Stanford or Representative, U.S. Forest Service, 3031 Tongass Avenue, Ketchikan, AK 99901.

John Autrey or Representative, U.S. Forest Service, 648 Mission Street, Ketchikan, AK 99901.

Any person on the official service list for the above-captioned proceeding may request inclusion on the restricted service list, or may request that a restricted service list not be established, by filing a motion to that effect within 15 days of this notice date. In a request for inclusion, please identify the reason(s) why there is an interest to be included. Also, please identify any concerns about historic properties, including properties of traditional religious and cultural importance to an Indian tribe. If historic properties would

¹ 18 CFR section 385.2010.

²Previously, the project was given Project No. 12615–001. Upon issuance of a new preliminary

permit on July 1, 2009, the project was given Project No. 13528–000.