call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659. *Comment Date:* 5 p.m. Eastern time

on Tuesday, May 15, 2012.

Dated: April 24, 2012.

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary. [FR Doc. 2012–10533 Filed 5–1–12; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 6717–01–P

# DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL12-60-000]

#### Southwest Power Pool; Western Area Power Administration; Basin Electric Cooperative; Heartland Consumers Power District; Notice of Petition for Declaratory Order

Take notice that on April 24, 2012, pursuant to section 207(a)(2) of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.207, Southwest Power Pool (SPP), Western Area Power Administration (Western), Basin Electric Power Cooperative (Basin Electric), and Heartland Consumers Power District (Heartland), jointly submitted a petition requesting the Commission to issue a declaratory order confirming: (1) Midwest Independent System Operator, Inc. (MISO) is obligated by the terms of the Congestion Management Process contained in a Joint Operating Agreement (JOA) between SPP and MISO to respect the Reciprocal Coordinated Flowgates (RCF) of a third party that has executed a Reciprocal Coordination Agreement with SPP; (2) the SPP-Western JOA is a **Reciprocal Coordination Agreement** under the MISO-SPP JOA; and (3) MISO is obligated by the MISO–SPP JOA to respect the Integrated System of Western, Basin Electric, and Heartland RCFs.

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 online 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 email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email *FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov*, or call (866) 208–3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502–8659.

*Comment Date:* 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on May 24, 2012.

Dated: April 25, 2012.

#### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

#### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 14381-000]

## Qualified Hydro 15, LLC; Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications

On April 9, 2012, Qualified Hydro 15, 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 the Blue River Dam Hydroelectric Project (Blue River Dam project) to be located on the Blue River in the vicinity of Blue River, in Lane County, Oregon. 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 project would utilize flows from the existing 1,265-foot-long earth-fill dam on the Blue River, which is owned and operated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Additional existing project features would be modified for use by the proposed project. The existing concrete intake structure would have trash racks added. The existing 1,800-foot-long concrete-lined outlet tunnel would be lined with steel. The existing stilling basin would be extended 70 feet and modified to accommodate a new bifurcation chamber and gatehouse.

New project features would consist of the following: (1) A steel bifurcation chamber and concrete gatehouse in the stilling basin that would provide flow to the penstock and directly back into the Blue River when incoming flows exceed plant capacity or when the project is not operating; (2) a powerhouse gate that would control flow into the penstock; (3) a 600-foot-long, 12-foot diameter steel penstock from the stilling basin to the powerhouse; (4) a 70-foot by 50-foot reinforced concrete powerhouse containing two turbine/generators units for a total capacity of 20 megawatts; (5) a 125-foot-long, 60-foot-wide tailrace that would return flow back to the Blue River; (6) a substation; (7) an approximately 1.5-mile-long, 115kilovolt transmission line which would tie into the existing Bonneville Power Administration Blue River substation; and (8) appurtenant facilities. The estimated annual generation of the Blue River Dam project would be 50 gigawatthours.

Applicant Contact: Ramya Swaminathan, Qualified Hydro 15, LLC, 239 Causeway St., Suite 300, Boston, MA; phone: (978) 283–2822.

*FERC Contact:* Ryan Hansen (202) 502–8074 or *ryan.hansen@ferc.gov*.

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. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site 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. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE., Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of Commission's Web site at *http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ elibrary.asp.* Enter the docket number (P–14381–000) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: April 24, 2012. **Kimberly D. Bose,**  *Secretary.* [FR Doc. 2012–10530 Filed 5–1–12; 8:45 am] **BILLING CODE 6717–01–P** 

### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP12-134-000]

#### Trunkline Gas Company, LLC; Notice of Request Under Blanket Authorization

Take notice that on April 13, 2012, Trunkline Gas Company, LLC (Trunkline), 5051 Westheimer Road, Houston, Texas 77056-5306, filed in Docket No. CP12-134-000, an application pursuant to sections 157.205 and 157.216 of the Commission's Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (NGA), as amended, to abandon in place two natural gas supply laterals and related facilities located in Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, and extending into State and Federal waters, offshore Louisiana in the Vermilion Block, under Trunkline's blanket certificate issued in Docket No. CP83-84-000.<sup>1</sup> all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to the public for inspection.

Trunkline proposes to abandon in place its Line Nos. 210A–2300 and 210A–2400, including their associated meters and appurtenances. Trunkline states that transmission Line No. 210A– 2300 consists of approximately 9.48 miles of 10-inch diameter pipeline which is located between Vermilion Blocks 23 and 26B, offshore Louisiana. Trunkline also states that gathering Line No. 210A–2400 consists of approximately 13.33 miles of 16-inch diameter pipeline that extends from a subsea connection on Trunkline's Line No 210A–2300 in Vermilion Block 23 to Trunkline's Line No. 210A–100 onshore at approximately Mile Post 23 in Vermilion Parish. Trunkline further states that Chevron U.S.A., the sole customer served by these facilities, has given Trunkline its written consent to abandon the two pipeline segments. Trunkline estimates that it would cost \$4,326,847 to abandon Lines No. 210A– 2300 and 210A–2400 in place.

Any questions concerning this application may be directed to Stephen T. Veatch, Senior Director of Certificates and Tariffs, Trunkline Gas Company, LLC, 5051 Westheimer Road, Houston, Texas 77056–5306, telephone at (713) 989–2024, facsimile at (713) 989–1176, or via email: *Stephen.Veatch@sug.com*.

This filing is available for review at the Commission or may be viewed on the Commission's web site at http:// www.ferc.gov, using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number filed to access the document. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERC OnlineSupport@ferc. gov or call toll-free at (866) 206-3676, or, for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. Comments, protests and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. See, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's web site under the "e-Filing" link. The Commission strongly encourages intervenors to file electronically.

Any person or the Commission's staff may, within 60 days after issuance of the instant notice by the Commission, file pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Procedural Rules (18 CFR 385.214) a motion to intervene or notice of intervention and pursuant to Section 157.205 of the regulations under the NGA (18 CFR 157.205), a protest to the request. If no protest is filed within the time allowed therefore, the proposed activity shall be deemed to be authorized effective the day after the time allowed for filing a protest. If a protest is filed and not withdrawn within 30 days after the allowed time for filing a protest, the instant request shall be treated as an application for authorization pursuant to Section 7 of the NGA.

Dated: April 24, 2012.

#### Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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# ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0257; FRL-9344-6]

## Diflubenzuron; Receipt of Application for Emergency Exemptions, Solicitation of Public Comment

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). **ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** EPA has received a specific exemption request from the Wyoming Department of Agriculture to use the pesticide diflubenzuron to treat up to 26,000 acres of alfalfa to control grasshoppers and Mormon crickets. The applicant proposes a use which is supported by the Interregional (IR)–4 program and has been requested in 5 or more previous years, and a petition for tolerance has not yet been submitted to the Agency. EPA is soliciting public comment before making the decision whether or not to grant the exemption. **DATES:** Comments must be received on

or before May 17, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0257, by one of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http:// www.regulations.gov. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

• *Mail:* Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) Regulatory Public Docket (7502P), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460–0001.

*Delivery:* OPP Regulatory Public Docket (7502P), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. S–4400, One Potomac Yard (South Bldg.), 2777 S. Crystal Dr., Arlington, VA. Deliveries are only accepted during the Docket Facility's normal hours of operation (8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays). Special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information. The Docket Facility telephone number is (703) 305–5805.

Instructions: Direct your comments to docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0257. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the docket without change and may be made available online at *http:// www.regulations.gov*, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through regulations.gov or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>22 FERC ¶ 62,044 (1983).